

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF  
MAY 10, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Trovato at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers, 33 Delaware Street, Woodbury, New Jersey. Pres. Trovato led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Invocation**

The Invocation was delivered by Minister Linda Palmer of Faith Revival Church.

**Open Public Meeting Statement**

The City Clerk stated that due notice had been given to both the public and the press by posting and publication of Resolution #16-05 adopted at the 2016 Reorganizational Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 5, 2016.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Tierney, Floyd, Johnson, Fleming, Parker, Reddin, President Trovato and Mayor Volk

**Absent:** Swanson, Carter

**Minutes**

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilwoman Parker the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 26, 2016, Closed Session of April 26, 2016 and the Special Meeting of April 27, 2016 were approved as submitted.

**Public Hearing for Agenda Items**

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Johnson and unanimously approved, the Regular Order of Business was suspended and the floor was opened to the Public for Agenda Items Only.

Seeing no one, on motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker, and unanimously approved the Public Hearing was closed.

**Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports**

**Finance Committee:**

**#16-84 Resolution Authorizing a Closed Session**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Parker the resolution was unanimously adopted by a voice vote.

**#16-85 Resolution Authorizing Reading of Budget by Title Only**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Parker the resolution was unanimously adopted by a voice vote.

**Public Hearing on the Introduced 2016 Municipal Budget**

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Parker, the floor was opened to the Public prior to the adoption of the 2016 Municipal Budget. Seeing no one, on motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved the Public Hearing was ordered closed.

**#16-86 Resolution to Adopt 2016 Budget**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Parker the 2016 Budget was adopted by a roll call vote:

Ayes 7 Tierney, Floyd, Johnson, Fleming, Parker, Reddin, Trovato  
Nays 0  
Absent 2 Swanson, Carter

**#2247-16 - An Ordinance to Fix and Establish Salaries and Rate of Compensation on the Various Officers and Employees of the City of Woodbury in the County of Gloucester, and to Provide the Manner of Payment thereof and Repealing All Ordinances or Parts of Ordinances Inconsistent Herewith (FIRST READING)**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-titled ordinance for first reading.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney and unanimously approved, the ordinance was introduced on first reading, ordered to be advertised according to law, to come up for Public Hearing and final adoption at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Council on May 24, 2016.

**#16-87 Resolution Awarding Contract for Disposal of Recyclable Materials**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Parker the resolution was unanimously adopted by a voice vote.

**Vouchers**

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved, the vouchers as presented and certified were authorized paid.

The City Clerk reported the Tax & Utility Collector's Receipts for the month of April: Taxes \$2,431,023.62; and Water and Sewer \$386,061.10.

Also, Council acknowledged receipt of the Tax & Utility Collector's 2015 Annual Statement of Receipts.

**Parks and Recreation Committee:**

**#16-88 Resolution of the City of Woodbury Approving a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Gloucester for the Provision of Family Entertainment**

Councilman Johnson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker the resolution was unanimously adopted by a voice vote.

**Public Works Committee:**

**#16-89 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Emergency Repair Contract with Pioneer Pipe for Station Drive Sewer Main Collapse**

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney the resolution was unanimously adopted by a voice vote.

Councilwoman Parker also announced the new trash collection routes and dates.

**New Business:**

**Special Event Application - Main Street Woodbury**

Mr. Theokas and Police Chief Ryan advised that Main Street is requesting approval to hold their White Table Event on June 4. The application appears to be in order and they recommend Council's approval. On motion of Tierney, seconded by Reddin, the application was unanimously approved by Council.

### **Other Committee Reports:**

Councilman Johnson reported the following for Parks & Rec Committee:

The Laverty Field clubhouse project will be broken into two phases, one for site work and one for erection of the building. Bids for phase I due next week.

The nearly completed Bikeway project is a major undertaking and good investment.

He thanked Public Works and Mike Theokas for correcting a drainage issue at Stuart & Lafayette Aves; and for placing proper signage at the curve on East Barber Avenue.

He attended an event at Macedonia Church for former Councilwoman Gwendolyn J. Brown honoring her service to the community.

Councilman Fleming invited any interested residents to join his ad hoc committee for the possible lease or sale of our Water & Sewer Utility. Contact him if interested.

Councilwoman Tierney reported on the Green Team's successful Arbor Day Celebration with the planting of two dogwoods at Wing-Dickerson Park. In attendance were Councilpersons, Floyd, Reddin, Tierney, President Trovato, former Councilwoman Brown, former Mayor Sanderson, and many members of the public.

Councilwoman Floyd's Economic Development Committee announced many upcoming events, including a new burger business at 22 S. Broad, a new market at 8 Hopkins St; Board of Ed meeting and Lunch Munch on May 11; Planning/Zoning Board meeting May 18 to discuss Inspira redevelopment zone; and on May 21 the Kayak Regatta, Duck Race, Police Community Day and WORC cocktail party. She also recognized Jessica Shriver, who has been doing an excellent job publicizing all these events.

### **Department Heads' Announcements:**

Chief Financial Officer Bob Law thanked Council for the adoption of the 2016 Budget.

Library Director Jean Wipf announced their Calendar of events for the coming month. She also advised that Jessica Ferguson would be leaving the Library after 14 years of dedicated service.

Police Chief Tom Ryan was happy to report that all Woodbury Police Officers are now equipped with body cameras. Community Day will be held on May 21. Also, the entire parking lot at the police station has cameras installed and is considered a "safe zone".

Public Works Manager Rich Leidy advised hydrant flushing is still being done throughout the City and will continue for another couple of weeks.

Economic Development Director Randi Woerner reported that the Grand Re-Opening of the Colonial Diner on May 4<sup>th</sup> was a huge success.

Administrator Mike Theokas informed everyone that traffic detours will continue along Evergreen Avenue from Cooper Street to Barber Avenue at the Burris construction site.

### **Open to the Public**

On motion of Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilman Johnson and unanimously approved, the floor was opened to the Public for any Items.

Mary Carter of Main Street Woodbury thanked Council for their support and approval of the White Table Event and mentioned the May 11 Lunch Munch event.

Anthony Chiesa of 36 Rugby Place inquired about storm water drainage problems at the intersections of Spruce/Bayard and Spruce/Evergreen Avenue. Mr. Theokas advised we are looking to address both areas.

Gloria Holmes, 19 Nelson Avenue, asked if shrubs could be planted at two City parks (Lafayette and Manor Avenues); and also announced the Juneteenth Celebration on June 18, at the Police Station and at Carpenter Street School.

Jacquallynn Knight, 232 Hunter Street, had some questions and concerns regarding the recent notification of the water system options that the City discussed at the recent Special Meeting. Mr. Theokas addressed her questions. She also advised that Belly Dancing lessons will be given at McArt on May 21.

Hearing no one else, on motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved, the Public Portion was closed and the Regular Order of Business was suspended for a closed session of Council. President Trovato advised that official action may be taken upon their return to the Regular Order of

Business.

**Closed Session**

(approximately 7:45 pm until 8:09 pm)

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved, the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

**Resolution #19-90 – Resolution Authorizing the Mayor or City Administrator to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the Redevelopment of North Broad Street**

Councilwoman Floyd presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilwoman Floyd, seconded by Councilman Johnson the resolution was unanimously adopted by voice vote.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business before Council, on motion of Tierney, seconded by Parker and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**ROY A. DUFFIELD**

City Clerk

**Other Officials Present:**

Administrator: Mike Theokas

Chief Financial Officer: Bob Law

City Clerk: Roy A. Duffield

City Engineer: Paul Breier

Economic Development Director: Randi Woerner

Librarian: Jean Wipf

Police: Chief Tom Ryan

Public Works: Rich Leidy, Michael McCaughey

Solicitor: James Pierson, Esq.