

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF
JULY 11, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by President Parker at 7:00 pm on July 11, 2017 in Council Chambers, 33 Delaware Street, Woodbury, New Jersey. President Parker led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

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 #17-05 adopted at the 2017 Reorganizational Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 3, 2017.

Roll Call:

Present: Tierney, Swanson, McIlvaine, Johnson, Fleming, O'Connor, Reddin, President Parker

Absent: Carter and Mayor Floyd

Minutes

On motion of Tierney, seconded by Johnson the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 27, 2017 and the June 27, 2017 Closed Session were approved as submitted. Councilman Reddin abstained from voting; all others voted in favor of the motion.

Public Hearing for Agenda Items

On motion of Johnson, seconded by Tierney and unanimously approved, the floor was open to the Public for Agenda Items Only. Hearing no one, on motion of Tierney, seconded by Johnson and unanimously approved, the Public Hearing was closed and the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports

Finance Committee:

#2262-17 - An Ordinance of the City of Woodbury Authorizing the Acquisition by Donation of Real Property known as Block 125, Lot 13 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Woodbury (Second Reading)

On motion of Swanson, seconded by Johnson and unanimously approved, this ordinance was tabled until further notice.

#2264-17 - Ordinance Amending Chapter 197 "Water" of the Code of the City of Woodbury (First Reading)

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

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Swanson, seconded by McIlvaine and unanimously approved, the ordinance was approved on first reading, ordered to be advertised according to law, to come up for Public Hearing and final adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of Mayor and Council on July 25, 2017.

#17-114 - Resolution Amending Resolution #17-21, Appointing an Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

#17-115 - Resolution Amending Resolution #17-11, Appointing Signatories for Banking Institutions

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Swanson, seconded by McIlvaine the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

#17-116 - Resolution Amending Resolution #17-09 Appointing Tax Search Officer for the City of Woodbury

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Swanson, seconded by Tierney, the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

#17-117 - Resolution Amending Resolution #13-121, Appointing Contact Person for the Employment Practices Liability Helpline Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Swanson, seconded by Tierney, the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

#17-118 - Resolution to Cancel Water Charges

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Swanson, seconded by Tierney, the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

#17-119 - Resolution Authorizing a Closed Session

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Swanson, seconded by Fleming, the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Vouchers

On motion of Swanson, seconded by Tierney, the vouchers as presented and certified were unanimously approved to be paid.

Councilman Swanson reported the Tax & Utility Collector's revenues collected for the month of June: Taxes \$511,580.21; and Water/Sewer \$232,808.16.

Lastly, Councilman Swanson thanked Mayor Volk, President Trovato and CFO Bob Law for their efforts over the past three years to apply for and obtain the \$665,000 grant from NJDEP to be used for Stewart Park improvements.

#2263-17 - 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 (Second Reading)

Councilman Fleming presented the above-titled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Fleming, seconded by Tierney and unanimously approved the Public Hearing for this ordinance was opened.

Hearing no one, on motion of Fleming, seconded by Johnson and unanimously approved, the Public Hearing was closed.

On motion of Fleming, seconded by Tierney the ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote:

Ayes	7	Tierney, McIlvaine, Johnson, Fleming, Reddin, O'Connor, Parker
Nays	1	Swanson
Absent	1	Carter

Economic Development Committee:

#17-120 - Resolution Accepting A Grant From The Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund Public Entity Program Through The New Jersey Economic

Development Authority and The New Jersey Department Of Environmental Protection

Councilman McIlvaine presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of McIlvaine, seconded by Johnson, the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Public Works Committee:

#17-121 - Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 for the FY2016 NJDOT Local Aid Project Tatum Street Milling & Overlay

Councilman McIlvaine presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of McIlvaine, seconded by Johnson, the resolution was approved by a voice vote. Swanson voted "Nay" on the motion; all others voted in favor.

#17-122 - Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 for the Freightliner Hook-Lift Container Truck

Councilman McIlvaine presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of McIlvaine, seconded by Johnson, the resolution was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Other Committee Reports:

Councilman Fleming advised that the Public Safety Committee will be meeting next week with a company that provides surveillance cameras to look at possible locations on Broad Street and behind City Hall. Also, on July 20 he will be meeting Remington & Vernick Engineers to review the plans for our water filtration system.

Councilman Reddin advised that the Green Team met on July 10 and they are looking for volunteers for Make a Difference Day on October 28.

Department Heads' Announcements

Economic Development Director Randi Woerner reported on July 6 she met with Lynn DiPietropolo the new Superintendent of Schools to show her around the City and get to know her.

Library Director Michelle Yeager reported they are conducting a survey to gauge our community's priorities, to develop a strategic plan for better serving our clients. She also advised that our Municipal Alliance grant is funding distribution of free books and the Art in the Street Program. Michelle encouraged everyone to check out the Library website for the schedule of summer events.

Open to the Public

On motion of Johnson, seconded by Tierney and unanimously approved, the Regular Order of Business was suspended and the floor was opened to the Public.

Deon Smith, 66 Curtis Ave, complained to Council that staff and clients of Avenues to Independent Living, a business on his block, disregard the parking regulations and block the street and at times even block his driveway. He is requesting that the Police make more frequent patrols to monitor this activity. He is a veteran, a taxpayer and a voter and is asking Council for help. Additionally, Mr. Smith also had concerns regarding two vacant/abandoned properties on his block; 71 Curtis is owned by the City and has not been mowed over a year, and 69 Curtis is long abandoned and has rodents and high weeds. They both are eyesores and bringing down that neighborhood. He also complained that some neighbors put out their trash on the wrong day. Mr. Carew introduced himself and advised that he will follow up with this situation. On a positive note, Mr. Smith said that during a recent family tragedy a WPD officer responded to his home, and the officer was very helpful and compassionate. He thanks us for that.

Ron Wilcox, 250 S. Barber reminded everyone of the Annual Basketball Tournament this weekend at Wing-Dickerson Park and invites everyone out to enjoy. There will be basketball, a jazz band, free food, and it will be a fun day.

Hearing no one else, on motion of Johnson, seconded by Tierney and unanimously approved, the public hearing was closed and the regular order of business was suspended at approximately 7:32 pm for an Executive Session of Council.

Closed Session (approx. 7:40-9:04 pm)

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Reddin and unanimously approved, Council resumed the Regular Order of Business at approximately 9:04 pm.

Adjournment

There being no further business, on motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Johnson and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. DUFFIELD
City Clerk

Other Officials Present:

Administrator: Scott Carew

CFO: Robert Law

Engineer: Paul Breier

Economic Development Director: Randi Woerner

Library Director: Michelle Yeager

Police: Lt. William Palese

Solicitor: James Pierson, Esq.