

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD
APRIL 10, 2018
AT 33 DELAWARE STREET, WOODBURY, NJ 08096**

The meeting of April 10, 2018 was called to order by Council President Parker at 7: 04 pm. City Clerk, Daneen Fuss, led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Reflection.

Open Public Meeting Statement

Ms. Fuss stated that due notice had been given to both the public and the press by posting and publication of Resolution No 18-05 adopted at the 2018 Reorganizational Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 2, 2018.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Johnson, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Councilman Swanson, Council President Parker, and Mayor Floyd

Absent: Councilman Miller, Councilman McIlvaine

Others Present: City Clerk, Daneen Fuss; Solicitor, James Pierson; Deputy Administrator, Robert Law; Paul Breier, City Engineer

Minutes

March 13, 2018 March 27, 2018 Councilman Fleming made a motion to adopt the minutes of March 13, 2018 and March 27, 2018, seconded by Councilwoman Carter. Councilwoman Tierney Abstained.

Presentations and Discussions

Open to the Public for Agenda Items

Councilman Johnson made a motion to open the floor to the public, seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Seeing no one, Councilman Johnson made a motion to close the floor to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports

Finance

ORDINANCE 2282-18 ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR OF 2018 (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14) Councilman Fleming presented the above titled Ordinance. The City Clerk read the title of the Ordinance. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Swanson, the matter was opened to the public. Seeing no one Councilman Johnson made a motion to close the matter to the public, seconded by Councilman Fleming. Councilman Fleming made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2282-18, seconded by Councilman Swanson. The ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

Ayes 7 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Johnson,
Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Councilman Swanson,
Council President Parker

Nays 0

Absent 2 Councilwoman Miller, Councilman McIlvaine

RESOLUTION NO. 18-81 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY IMPOSING LIEN(S) FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE PURSUANT TO MUNICIPALITY CODE §162-4 Councilman Fleming presented the above titled Ordinance. The City Clerk read the title of the Resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Swanson, Resolution No. 18-81 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-82 INTRODUCTION OF THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Councilman Fleming presented the above titled Ordinance. The City Clerk read the title of the Ordinance. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Swanson. Councilman Fleming reviewed the worksheets that were prepared by Bob Law. Councilwoman Tierney asked why the water and sewer capital improvement fund is zero? Mr. Law stated no budgeted items are required to have a 5% down payment. Councilwoman Tierney asked what is the amount of surplus? Mr. Law replied about 2.5 million dollars. Councilwoman Tierney asked if surplus from Water and Sewer has been added to the general into the general. To which Mr. Law replied. Councilman Johnson asked why the police are receiving a 50 thousand dollar increase in expenditures. Mr. Law stated the Chief has asked for the funds now and in the past. He noted there are increased costs due to the new police building. Councilman Johnson then asked why there is a 10 thousand dollar increase in gasoline? Mr. Law stated the pumps need to be upgraded. Councilman Johnson asked for clarification on the 29 thousand dollar increase for the library. Mr. Law stated the library would like to increase hours of operations and in turn possibly hire more individuals. Councilman Johnson stated he would like to see money put aside to reevaluate the masterplan of the city. Councilman Johnson stated he believes it has been 12 years since this was last done. Councilman Fleming stated May 8th is the date for the presentation, public hearing and adoption of the budget. Resolution No. 18-82 was adopted at first reading by a unanimous roll call vote resulting in the following.

- Ayes 7 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Johnson, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Councilman Swanson, Council President Parker
- Nays 0
- Absent 2 Councilwoman Miller, Councilman McIlvaine

Vouchers

Councilman Fleming made a motion to adopt the vouchers as presented and certified seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Policy

ORDINANCE NO. 2281-18 ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AMENDING CHAPTER 23. HEALTH, BOARD OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY Councilman Johnson presented the above titled Ordinance. The City Clerk read the title of the Ordinance. On motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the matter was opened to the public. Seeing no one Councilman Johnson made a motion to close the matter to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney. Councilman Johnson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2281-18, seconded by Councilman Fleming. The ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

- Ayes 6 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Johnson, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilman Swanson, Council President Parker
- Nays 0
- Abstain 1 Councilwoman Tierney
- Absent 2 Councilwoman Miller, Councilman McIlvaine

Councilman Johnson said a brief thank you Clerk Fuss and Ms. Donahue for preparing surveys for the employees to file. He stated he is also looking into evaluations for the administrator. Councilman Johnson would like to have employee evaluations done before the salary ordinance gets adopted.

Reports:

No other reports at this time.

Report of the Mayor

Mayor Floyd stated Boys and Girls Club they are being honored at an event on Thursday at 4:30 pm at the Central Baptist church. The movie in the park this year will be at Stuart Lake Park on June 29th, the movie will be the Emoji Movie. Madam Mayor thanked the Council for adopting the Board of Health Ordinance. She also announced the Stayfit building is coming down. She expressed her appreciation for the hard work and dedication of Councilman McIlvaine regarding this project.

Report of the City Clerk – Ms. Fuss reported also REPORT shred event information.

Department Announcements

Administration – Mr. Law stated Saturday April 21st mid-day the council is invited to hand out awards for Woodbury Relay. Also on the 21st at 12:45 will be the ribbon cutting for the new police substation at the YMCA. Mr. Law also mentioned the tree inventory has begun today.

Library – Michelle Yeager stated April is national poetry month and the library will be hosting a poetry event. Carl Wolfson reading and signing will be taking place April 15th in collaboration with Woodbury Community Pride and the Friends of the Library. Ms. Yeager also went on to say the Battleship NJ has loaned the library their travelling exhibit.

Police – Chief Thomas Ryan thanked the council for introducing the budget and capital accounts. If city council has any questions they can reach out to him anytime. Chief Ryan stated he is looking forward to the opening of the substation and Healthy Kids Day Saturday the 21st at the YMCA. Chief Ryan also invited council to Kemble Memorial Church for their family and friends service on Sunday April 15th. The church will be honoring the Woodbury Police Department. Chief Ryan also mentioned the blood drive at Central Baptist yesterday went very well.

Engineering - Mr. Brier stated the white “X”s on the roads are for aerial photography land surveying and topography. Mr. Brier stated there will be work being completed on a water-main on Chestnut, Cherry, and Walnut Streets. Work will be completed in the evenings from 7:30 pm to 6 am to avoid traffic delays as much as possible. He also stated DuBois is going to be paved shortly.

Open to the Public

Councilwoman Tierney made a motion to open the floor to the public for non-agenda items, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Susan Anderson 22 S. Jackson St – Does the city have any demographics of the ages of the resident within the city. Councilman Fleming stated 2010 Census hold all of that information. Ms. Anderson asked where people can go to express their ideas. Mayor Floyd stated the Creative team incorporates multiple organizations within the city. Mr. Law stated information can be given to the councilmembers of their particular ward. Ms. Anderson also stated she would like a town newspaper/flyer/magazine, so that individuals with no internet access can stay up to date with information. She would also like to have a system in play so that events throughout the city aren't stacked in one day. Ms. Anderson asked what the active shooter training was for. Chief Ryan replied stating it was training for city hall employees.

Gloria Holmes 19 Nelson Ave – Asked what the tree inventory does and when did it take place. Mr. Law stated the tree inventory is going on now and is a full inventory of all of the city owned trees in Woodbury including information on their health. Ms. Holmes stated she has called to report trees that are dying and has gotten no response. Ms. Holmes informed the council that African American History Month was last month. Juneteenth events will be held on the 15th and 22nd. She stated the old carpenter street school was told by the city she cannot hold the event. She also stated funds were denied for the last event. Mr. Law stated he had suggested to Ms. Holmes that she coordinate with Councilwoman Miller who is also planning a Juneteenth event. He also stated that the last event she requested Municipal Alliance funds, his office was not informed until the day before the event. Mr. Law stated he would be more than happy to authorize Municipal Alliance funds. However, he needs to be noticed further in advance. Ms. Holmes then asked for the status of Suiter Baptize Park. Councilman Johnson stated a \$30,000 grant was received from the county. Ms. Holmes would like to know why no one contacted her after the grant was approved and would like to see the plans for the park.

John Delco address unknown – Met with Mr. Law to go over the layout of Lot 323. Mr. Delco then handed out a detail to City Council officials and went over the layout of the property. Mr. Delco stated FAF has purchased a 20 sq/ft modular stage. Mr. Delco went over some of the new features for Lot 323 including a section dedicated to Ax throwing. He also stated, once the Centre Street properties come down, they are hoping to have a Cigar tasting area. Mr. Delco asked if FAF could leave some of the equipment out permanently. Councilman Swanson agreed and would like to have a discussion regarding permanency. The dates for the Lot 323 events this year will be June 1st, 15, 29, July 13, 27, and a grand finally on Sept. 15.

Chaplin Cuff – Invited the City Council to the Annual Centurions day Sunday, May 6th honoring all of the Gloucester County Chiefs. He stated some Camden County chiefs will also be there. Chaplin Cuff asked if he could put up a sign for the event in the library.

Mason Allen 57 Aberdeen Place – Is concerned about the general appearance of Woodbury. He went on to say he has seen many properties that have code violations and has reported them. However, he has seen no improvement. Mr. Allen expressed his concerns for the sanitation department and the way trash is being collected. He also stated yard debris can be on the curb for weeks at a time. Street sweeper was coming down avoiding minor objects in the roadway. He would also like to see Carpenter Street and the Aberdeen Place parking lot better taken care of with regard to trash and would like to see these areas cleaned. Councilwoman Tierney stated this time of year everywhere there seems to be debris everywhere not only in Woodbury. Councilwoman Tierney stated if Mr. Allen is interested she would like to start doing a monthly cleanup club. To which Mr. Allen expressed his interest. Councilman Swanson stated the street sweepers are not vacuums and they cannot run over trash or it will damage the machine. Mr. Allen thanked Councilman Swanson for explaining. Mr. Allen also agreed, if people cleaned up after themselves this would be an easier situation.

Councilman Johnson made a motion to close the floor, seconded by Councilman Swanson. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilwoman Tierney made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DANEEN D. FUSS, City Clerk