

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
MARCH 26, 2019  
AT 33 DELAWARE STREET, WOODBURY, NJ 08096**

The meeting of March 26, 2019 was called to order by Council President Parker at 7: 03 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 a notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act adopted at the 2019 Reorganizational Meeting of the Mayor and Council on January 5, 2019.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Absent:** Councilman Hagerty,

**Others Present:** City Clerk, Daneen Fuss; Solicitor, John Alice; City Administrator, Robert Law; Paul Breier, City Engineer; Treasurer, Richard Wright

**Minutes**

Councilman McIlvaine made a motion to approve the minutes of March 12, 2019 seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor. Councilwoman Miller abstained.

**Presentations and Discussions**

Chief Thomas Ryan introduced Director Harry Delgado from the New Jersey State Police Association. Mr. Delgado stated the achievement the Police Department has been awarded is very significant. He went over the rigorous process that is needed to be accomplished in order for the department to become accredited. He congratulated the city on making best practices part of the culture of the department. He went over the definition of being accredited and the benefits it provides to the city and tax payers. He stated accreditation works parallel to community policing and are held to the highest standards. 105 standards must be met in order to be awarded an accreditation. He read synopsis from the assessment notes for the Woodbury re-accreditation. He mentioned the police department is so diligent in their process there were no typographical errors on any of their reports. Mr. Delgado granted Brian Boucher and Chief Ryan a framed certification of their re-accreditation.

Chief Ryan thanked Director Delgado. He went on to thank Brian Boucher for all of his hard work and dedication in attention to detail for this re-accreditation. He is proud of his officers for all of their attention to detail and their extensive knowledge of the law.

Sergeant Boucher thanked Chief Ryan for his kind words. He stated this award is a testament to the dedication of the officers and their hard work.

**Open to the Public for Agenda Items**

Councilman Fleming made a motion to open the floor to the public, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

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

**Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports**

**Finance & Public Safety**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2305-19** AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 125 ENTITLED “MERCANTILE LICENSES” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY *Tonight is the public hearing for this Ordinance.* Councilman Fleming introduced the above titled ordinance. Ms. Fuss read the title of the ordinance. Councilman Fleming made a motion to open the floor to the public for discussion of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Seeing no one Councilman Johnson made a motion to close the floor to the public, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine. Councilman Fleming made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2305-19 noting that the changes he suggested at the last meeting have been addressed, seconded by Councilwoman O’Connor.

Councilman Johnson asked if a business would have to close if their mercantile license was revoked, if criminal history would stop the issuance of the license, and if the wording needs to be changed in order to specify what defines ‘Identification’. To which Solicitor John Alice replied. Discussion was held. Councilman McIlvaine stated the council has had all information delivered prior to tonight’s meeting. Councilwoman Tierney asked if anyone has contacted the business associations in town in order to let them know these changes are forthcoming. Mayor Floyd stated the Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce President knows of this ordinance. Discussion was held. Councilman McIlvaine respectfully asked that if other adjustments to the code are needed that they be compiled and brought up at another time. Mayor Floyd stated before this gets enforced, the merchants will be given advanced notice with a copy of the Ordinance to inform them of changes. Discussion was held. Motion was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

- Ayes 6 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman McIlvaine,  
Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O’Connor, Council President Parker
- Nays 2 Councilwoman Tierney, Councilman Johnson
- Absent 1 Councilman Hagerty

**ORDINANCE NO. 2306-19** BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS WATER AND SEWER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF WOODBURY, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$250,000 THEREFORE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$250,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING Councilman Fleming presented the above titled ordinance. The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine, Ordinance 2306-19 was passed on first reading by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-73** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY REQUESTING THE MODIFICATION OF A BUS STOP LOCATION TO THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, Resolution No. 19-73 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-74** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 2019 LOCAL AID INFRASTRUCTURE FUND PROJECT HEREINAFTER KNOWN AS SOUTH GIRARD STREET RESURFACING Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine, Resolution No. 19-74 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-78** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR A \$5,000.00 GRANT TO FUND PROCUREMENT OF SMOKE DETECTORS Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor, Resolution No. 19-78 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**Vouchers**

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

**Reports:**

Councilman Fleming – Finance committee will be meeting with Mr. Wright and Mr. Law to discuss the budget. Councilwoman Tierney asked when the budget was due. To which Mr. Wright replied.

Councilman Johnson – Poverty Alleviation committee will be holding another meeting in later April.

Councilwoman Miller – Juneteenth is finalizing the calendar of month long events and finalizing a logo. She then complimented Ms. Yeager for hosting the expungement seminar and thanked the presenters as the information wasn't dry. Discussion was held regarding Juneteenth events. Councilwoman Tierney- Gave an update on the Gather project and stated the project is on-time and on-budget.

### **Report of the Mayor**

Mayor Floyd thanked Chief Ryan and Sergeant Boucher for all of their work on the re-accreditation. She asked that the information be sent to Daneen to get added to social media. She then thanked Mr. Wright for the \$5,000 grant for the smoke detectors. She went on to thank public works for keeping the roads manageable until the paving can be completed.

**Report of the City Clerk** – Ms. Fuss thanked the part-time city hall workers Jared and Amy for assisting while Karen Chabot is on vacation.

### **Department Announcements**

Engineering – Ms. Vardaxis gave a brief update on projects taking place throughout the city. Councilman Fleming stated the work on Evergreen Ave has been completed much better. Mayor Floyd asked if the whole City can be scoped for manhole repairs.

Library – Ms. Yeager gave an update on upcoming events within the library. She went on to say Dancing with the Gloucester County Stars will be putting together a planning and fundraiser committee and asked for individuals to sign up.

Ms. Fuss reminded everyone needs complete their Financial Disclosure Statements by April 30<sup>th</sup>. Council President Parker also stated all councilmembers needs to complete the Cyber Security training online by March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Public Works - Michael McCaughey gave an update on ongoing projects throughout the city. He went on to say they will begin interviewing the kids for summer work shortly. The report a concern section of the website is going very well and he thanked whoever created this. Mayor Floyd thanked public works for their response to the Habitat for Humanity event on Saturday.

Police - Chief Ryan thanked City Council for presentation and this is a credit to entire agency. He went on to thank Boucher again for his organization and dedication to the best practices. He then gave an update of events he recently attended. On April 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a friends and family mass which will be honoring Captain Kelly. Some of the officers volunteered to be judges for the Cupcake Wars at the elementary school. He also mentioned the City, through donations got a K9 training suit for the station. There was also a \$5,000 donation from the Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce to the Watch over Woodbury Program. He finished by giving an update on Watch over Woodbury. Councilman Johnson asked what access the residents will have. Chief Ryan stated they can view their own as if it was their own property.

No unfinished business at this time. Councilman Johnson thanked Ms. Fuss for including the resolutions in the public agendas.

No new business at this time.

**Open to the Public**

Councilman McIlvaine 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.

John Belko 605 Delaware Street – He stated the Gather Committee will need guidance from the City Council for the finalization of the rules and regulations for the Gather building. He also asked who the events coordinator will be for the City. He finished stating he will have a report on FAF at the upcoming meeting.

Doris Thorton of Leeds Placce – Asked for the clarification on when Leeds Place is going to be paved.

Cheryl Reivestech 205 S. Barber Ave.- Stated she attempted to do a K turn on Leeds place had difficulty. She then stated she is planning on moving to Maryland. She stated she would like to see a hotel or bed and Breakfast in Woodbury. She offered her home to be transformed into a Bed and Breakfast in Woodbury. She also applauded Woodbury for the safety of the streets.

Chaplin Cuff - Woodbury Fire Department. Chaplin Cuff stated St. Florians day will be on May 5<sup>th</sup> and the County Chiefs and Chaplins invites council and chiefs to join in. Camden Chiefs are also invited to attend this event. Proceeds from the event will benefit the burn center. There will be a Blessing Ceremony for the trucks beginning at 5o'clock followed by a procession to the church.

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

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Councilman Johnson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8: 32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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**DANEEN D. FUSS**, City Clerk