

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
APRIL 09, 2019  
AT 33 DELAWARE STREET, WOODBURY, NJ 08096**

The meeting of April 9, 2019 was called to order by Council President Pro-Tempore at 7:02 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 a notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act adopted at the 2019 Reorganizational Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 5, 2019.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman Johnson, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor,

**Absent:** Councilwoman Tierney, Mayor Floyd, Council President Parker,

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

**Minutes**

No minutes at this time.

**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 Councilman McIlvaine. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports**

**Finance & Public Safety**

**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 THEREFOR; 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 *Tonight is the public hearing* Councilwoman O'Connor introduced the above titled ordinance. Ms. Fuss read the title of the ordinance. Councilwoman O'Connor made a motion to open the floor to the public for discussion of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine. Seeing no one Councilman McIlvaine made a motion to close the floor to the public, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Councilwoman O'Connor made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2306-19, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-79** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH COOPER UNIVERSITY HEALTHCARE TO DEVELOP AN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM Councilwoman O'Connor presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilwoman O'Connor, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Resolution No. 19-79 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-80** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY IN SUPPORT OF PATH TO PROGRESS RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC AND FISCAL POLICY WORKGROUP Councilwoman O'Connor presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilwoman O'Connor, seconded by Councilman Hagerty, Councilman Johnson voted no. Resolution No. 19-80 was adopted by a voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-81** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS MATTERS PERTAINING TO LITIGATION Councilwoman O'Connor presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilwoman O'Connor, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Resolution No. 19-81 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-82** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING CANCELATION OF BALANCES AND CREDITS UNDER TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) ON 2018 AND PRIOR WATER/SEWER AND TAX ACCOUNTS IN THE CITY OF WOODBURY Councilwoman O'Connor presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilwoman O'Connor, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine, Resolution No. 19-82 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-83** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY ADOPTING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2019 Councilwoman O'Connor presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilwoman O'Connor, seconded by Councilman Hagerty, Resolution No. 19-83 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

Councilman Johnson asked for background information on this Resolution. Administrator Law stated since the temporary budget is still in place funds needed to fill the Vehicle Maintenance line in order to pay bills. Councilman McIlvaine asked how much of the funds being inserted today are being spent before the budget is adopted. Mr. Law stated this amount will be enough to pay the bills and have some left in the line in case any other bills come in.

#### **Vouchers**

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

#### **Reports:**

Council President Pro-Tempore stated the Council has received a thank you card from Dave Travato. He also reminded everyone present there will be a closed session toward the end of this meeting.

Councilwoman Miller – Project team has been developed to discuss and assess the needs of the residents. She then went over some of the ways the city is reaching out to residents. Mr. Law stated the project team being spearheaded by Jared Hunter to see what the constituents see in their relationship with the government. He then discussion continued. Councilman Johnson stated this is a great idea and he wanted to thank Chairpersons Miller and Carter.

Councilman Johnson – Poverty Alleviation meeting soon. He then listed his recommendations to be discussed at the meeting. He also suggested the Bond Ordinance wording should be altered in reference to economic development to allow for better support of small businesses.

Councilwoman O'Connor – Watch Over Woodbury will be launching soon and students are helping in put together the release and marketing. Proud of all the hard work the city has done to progress this. She stated the cameras are working very well in solving crimes. She stated the residential aspect of this is progressing as well.

Councilman Hagerty – Notices of Order<sup>11</sup> in 2019-1 in 2018, Court Summons<sup>7</sup>in 2019-0 in 2018, and Housing Inspections 67 in 2019-50 in 2019. Helping keep Woodbury safe. See something report something.

### **Report of the Mayor**

Mayor Floyd absent no report at this time.

**Report of the City Clerk** – Ms. Fuss reported April first was the deadline for petitions for the primary election. Three petitions were received and the Primary Election will be held on June 4<sup>th</sup>. She also stated she is working with DVRPC, Mr. Law and Councilman McIlvaine to finalize information for the Trolley Tour through Woodbury which has a tentative date of June 13<sup>th</sup>. Also, she reminded all present of the Shred event being held this Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm at the old police station. Items being collected include non-perishable foods, plastic bags, lightly used clothing and of course the items to be shredded.

### **Council President Parker arrived at 7:23**

#### **Department Announcements**

Library - Michelle Yeager stated she did not get enough attendance to form a charity for Dancing with the Gloucester County Stars so the library will not be participating this year. She went on to give an update on events to come at the library. Ms. Yeager then asked for more information relating to Councilman Johnson's e-mail of suggestions. Councilman Johnson replied. Ms. Yeager reminded the council of the opportunities available at the library. Solicitor John Alice asked for clarification on the number of councilmembers included in the e-mail in order to ensure there is no violation of the Open Public Meetings Law. Councilman Johnson clarified and discussion was held.

Engineering – Ms. Vardaxis gave a brief update on projects throughout the city. Councilman McIlvaine asked that the report be sent out earlier.

Council President Pro-Temp asked if the contract with Barret scheduled to begin shortly.

Police – Chief Ryan gave an update of Watch over Woodbury and stated the public announcement is coming soon. He reported the Chamber of Commerce made a donation of \$5,000 to the program as well. He reported Kemble Church honored Captain Kelli Marro last Saturday and a Blood Drive was held at Central Baptist yesterday. April 30<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 pm will be 'A Night of Conversation' the officers will be at Central Baptist Church. Councilman McIlvaine spoke at the Woodbury Rotary lunch and they were impressed with the camera system.

Code Enforcement – John Leech stated his department is now monitoring high grass and parking lot cleanups.

Unfinished business – Treasurer Richard Wright gave an update on the budget and stated arrangements can be made this week for those councilpersons who wish to go over the agenda for their department. The budget will be up for introduction at the next regularly scheduled council meeting. Councilman McIlvaine asked for clarification on a specific item. Mr. Wright stated he will have specific numbers shortly. Councilman McIlvaine asked if the school budget number have been released to which Mr. Law replied.

Councilman Johnson – Discussed Mercantile Ordinances from other towns. He asked that wording be updated in our current ordinance. He went on to say he has served the public for 8 years and has a right to have his voice heard. Discussion continued.

Councilman Johnson left the meeting at 7:52 pm

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 Councilwoman Parker. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Councilman McIlvaine made a motion to close the floor, seconded by Councilwoman Parker. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Council entered Close Session at 7:58 pm

Council returned to Open Session at 8:18 pm

John Alice gave a synopsis of the items that had been discussed and asked for approval to finalize a settlement in the amount of \$3,250 with the defendant. Councilman McIlvaine made that motion. Councilwoman O'Connor seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Councilwoman Parker made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman McIlvaine. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8: 20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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**DANEEN D. FUSS**, City Clerk

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