

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MAY 14, 2019
AT 33 DELAWARE STREET, WOODBURY, NJ 08096**

The meeting of May 14, 2019 was called to order by Council President Parker at 7:05 pm. Council President Parker 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, Councilwoman Tierney, Council President Parker, Mayor Floyd,

Absent:

Others Present: City Clerk, Daneen Fuss; Solicitor, John Alice; CFO, Robert Law; City Engineer, Erika Vardaxis; Treasurer, Richard Wright;

Minutes

Councilwoman Tierney made a motion to approve the minutes of April 23, 2019 seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor. Councilman McIlvaine abstained, Councilman Johnson voted no. Motion passed by voice vote.

Presentations and Discussions

Open to the Public for Agenda Items

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

Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports

Finance & Public Safety

ORDINANCE NO. 2307-19 ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AMMENDING CHAPTER 162 ENTITLED SOLID WASTE OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY Councilman Fleming presented the above titled ordinance. The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance. Councilman Fleming made a motion to open the floor to the public for this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Seeing no one, Councilman Fleming made a motion to close the floor to the public for this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Johnson. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine, Ordinance 2307-19 was passed on final adoption by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

Ayes 9 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman Johnson, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Council President Parker
Nays 0
Absent 0

ORDINANCE NO. 2308-19 ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AMMENDING CHAPTER 20 ENTITLED FIRE DEPARMENT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY Councilman Fleming presented the above titled ordinance. The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor, Ordinance 2308-19 was tabled on first reading by a voice vote.

Councilman Johnson asked why the ordinance was being tabled. Council President Parker stated there is some confusion in the wording and editing is still being done. Councilman Johnson asked if the fire department was involved in the preparation of the ordinance. Mr. Wright stated there is a committee made up of fire career staff, volunteers, Mr. Law and himself. Mr. Wright took responsibility for tabling the ordinance as last minute changes were made by the solicitor and not approved by the fire department representatives.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-88 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY APPROVING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER FOR THE PROVISION OF FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Resolution No. 19-88 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-89 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY (P-19-0822)

90-2019 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. 19-89 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote. Councilman Johnson asked what this grant is for. Mr. Law stated this is an annual grant for the Community Policing program and it covers partial salary for Patrolman Sheehan and Mitchel.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-90 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY ENDORSING AND APPROVING \$125,000 NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION GRANT APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY 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. 19-90 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-91 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY ENDORSING AND APPROVING \$25,000 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY REGARDING MATCHING FUNDS TO BE UTILIZED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY OF WOODBURY APPLICATION TO THE 2019 STATE OF NJ NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PROGRAM 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. 19-91 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-92 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY ENDORSING AND APPROVING \$50,000 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY REGARDING STREET IMPROVEMENTS TO SOUTH MAPLE AVENUE 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. 19-92 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-93 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FROM PROPOSED REDEVELOPERS FOR THE 100 BLOCK SOUTH BROAD STREET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. Councilman Fleming made a motion to adopt the above titled resolution, seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor. Councilman McIlvaine asked if this resolution should be tabled. Mr. Alice stated there would be no conflict to the Barber Street Properties. Councilman McIlvaine removed his objection. Councilwoman Tierney asked if there was a final copy of the marketing study of downtown. Mr. Law stated only a draft copy has been received by the economic development board for review. Councilman McIlvaine stated he has not had a chance to review as of yet. Councilman Johnson asked for the ad for the Request for Qualifications and a draft copy of the marketing study. Councilman Johnson voted no. Resolution No. 19-93 was adopted by a voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-94 RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF A WATER OVERPAYMENT ACCOUNT # 7000141-1 RELATED COMPANIES 231 EVERGREEN AVENUE 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. 19-94 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-95 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR THE WEST CENTRE STREET RESURFACING PROJECT 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. 19-95 was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

Ayes 9 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman Johnson, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Council President Parker

Nays 0

Absent 0

RESOLUTION NO. 19-96 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY ADOPTING RULES AND REGULATION FOR THE SEMI PERMANENT Gather BUILDING LOCATED AT 115 SOUTH BROAD STREET 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. 19-96 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-97 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AWARING A CONTRACT TO STANDARD PIPE SERVICES, LLC FOR THE WEST RED BANK AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution. Councilman Fleming made a motion to adopt the above titled resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney. Councilman Fleming asked Erika if she is confident in the contractor due to the large price difference in the bids. Ms. Vardaxis stated yes, she has worked with them in Haddonfield. Resolution No. 19-97 was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

Ayes 9 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman Johnson, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Council President Parker

Nays 0

Absent 0

Vouchers

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

Reports:

Councilman Fleming – Finance – The next public meeting will be the budget presentation and adoption vote. The city has not received word that the state has approved the budget as of today but there will still be a Public Hearing at the next meeting.

Councilwoman O'Connor –Reported a combined Public Safety meeting was held in which members of the Economic Development Committee were invited to attend. Items discussed included Gather Watch over Woodbury and community outreach. Councilwoman O'Connor thanked the Economic Development Committee for participating in the discussion. Councilman McIlvaine stated it was a very informative meeting.

Councilman Hagerty – Economic Development – Looking to hire a person or firm to handle Economic Development resources within Woodbury. Some of the large Economic Development projects in Woodbury include Inspira and the old police station. Councilman McIlvaine asked Ms. Fuss to discuss the Classic Town's Trolley Tour scheduled for June 13th. Ms. Fuss gave a brief synopsis of the event's itinerary and purpose stating there will be a meet and greet, walking tour, and trolley tour.

Councilman Johnson – Poverty Alleviation Committee held a meeting Mr. Law, Ms. Yeager, and Chief Ryan which discussed resources and the needs of residents. Also, Councilman Johnson and Councilwoman Miller attended the Afro-American History Project breakfast on Saturday.

Councilwoman Miller – stated she attended the ACME markets grand Re-Opening with Councilwoman O'Connor, and Mr. Law. She also attended the Gloucester County Senior Health fair this morning. Councilwoman Miller also announced she completed a 14 minute radio interview for a radio station that will be posted online. The interview discussed new and upcoming things going on in Woodbury.

Councilwoman Tierney – Thanked the council for adopting rules and regulations for the Gather structure. She also mentioned the electrical is not installed at this time however, landscaping will be coming soon. Councilwoman Tierney also stated Main Street is working on applying for a grant to help offset cost for electrical. Councilwoman O'Connor asked when people or organizations can start reserving the building, to which Councilwoman Tierney replied.

Report of the Mayor

Mayor Floyd reported Patrolman Ryan Alcott was awarded Gloucester County 2019 Officer of the year! She then thanked the Police department for all that they do with the Community Policing Grant. Mayor Floyd mentioned there were some officers present during the Autism Walk held in the city. National Police Week is this week. Mayor Floyd stated the Woodbury Soccer Club will be celebrating their 50th anniversary on June 13th with a ceremony at the soccer fields. She also reported the new Gyro King on Broad Street would like to hold a ribbon cutting shortly.

Report of the City Clerk – Ms. Fuss reported there will be a trash schedule change the week of May 27th and reminders will be starting this week. Financial Disclosure Statements are no overdue. She also advised council to be on the look-out for Resolutions on the next two agendas for the annual renewal of the liquor licenses. Ms. Fuss also reported Election Day preparations have begun in her office. The offices on the main floor in City Hall are almost through their renovations. There is still a lot of work to do to make the offices operational. She then thanked the Public Works department for all of the work they are doing in keeping the construction going while getting the work done. Ms. Fuss also announced there were eleven Woodbury winners for this years' Best of Gloucester County. She finished by stating she will be adding a Job Fair/ Employment section to What's Up Woodbury once a month.

Department Announcements

Engineering – Ms. Vardaxis – Construction on Local Road Project started on East Red Bank after that work is complete, they will move onto Leeds Place. West Centre Street construction is coming to a close as the contractor is working on checklist items. West Red Bank Avenue preconstruction meeting will be coming soon. Ms. Vardaxis finished by stating the electrical is coming soon for Gather structure.

Police – Chief Ryan – Reported the officers were invited to the Autism Walk and the kids were tons of fun and it was for a good cause. Captain Marro attended the ACME Grand Reopening where the police station was awarded gift cards which they will be using for national night out to give the funds right back to the public. Chief Ryan also stated the Pitman Gloucester County Awards were recently held and many Woodbury officers were honored. Patrolman Ryan Alcott was unanimously voted the 2019 Gloucester County Officer of the year. This week is also National Police Week.

Finance – Rich Wright – Thanked the council for passing the grant resolutions and gave an update on the City's investments. He also reported EDMUNDS has put out a module for Parks and Recreation and he will be attending webinar to possibly utilize the program for Gather.

Bob Law – CFO explained that he has handed in his resignation as administrator and would like to thank the department heads for their hard work. Councilman Johnson thanked Mr. Law for all of his hard work and stated even though they did not always agree he believes Mr. Law has great integrity. Councilman McIlvaine stated he looks forward to working with Mr. Law as CFO.

Unfinished business

Councilwoman Tierney asked if there was going to be an appointment to an interim administrator. Council President Parker stated Mr. Law's resignation was received Friday afternoon so no interim is being appointed at this time. Councilwoman Tierney went on say Mr. Law sis an extraordinary job balancing the needs of the community, the needs of the department heads and the needs of the council. She went on to thank Mr. Law for everything he does and continues to do for the City. Councilman Fleming thanked Mr. Law for all of his hard work in the city. Councilwoman Miller thanked Mr. Law for everything he does for the city.

New Business

Councilman Johnson stated he would like the council to deeply review the reevaluation of the Master Plan. He stated he would also like to have as much public involvement as possible.

Councilman Johnson stated he would like to see the City do a survey of the community to get their input on the Master Plan. He finished by stating he will be reaching out to Bob Melvin to discuss what items are involved and he encouraged the council to do the same.

Open to the Public

Councilman McIlvaine made a motion to open the floor to the public for non-agenda items, seconded by Councilman Fleming. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote. Council President Parker reminded all of the 5 minute time limit per individual.

Mary Carter of Main Street Woodbury – Ms. Carter reported the Broad Street window painting will be coming soon. She then gave a brief report of the upcoming events within the City. Ms. Carter stated she is looking forward to working with the City on applications for grants.

Councilwoman Tierney stated Ms. Carter is an unpaid Executive Director of Main Street and thanked her for all that she's done.

John Belko – 605 Delaware Street – Arts Tank Competition May 29th. There will be day-long conference in Atlantic City for a creative place-making award. Tara Mohan will be participating on FAF's Behalf. Landscaping, signage, storage containers will be coming to the Gather lot soon. Opening night for Lot 323 begins 6 o'clock on May 31st. Mr. Belko stated every Tuesday at 5:00 and Saturday at 9:00 FAF holds a work sessions open to the public to share ideas. Councilman Hagerty asked if the FAF is a 501c3. To which Mr. Belko replied. Councilman Johnson asked when the musical Playground would be installed. To which Mr. Belko replied. Bill Goodard 26 N. Horace – Asked if Lot 323 is it up to code with all of the construction permits and if the lot is in violation of the City code. He stated the Gather building is great but the back area is a mess. Mayor Floyd stated the design is not complete, and meant to be a semi-permanent. Mr. Goodard stated he has safety concerns with the smaller structures. Councilman McIlvaine stated he has some concerns as well however this is a work in progress and asked for patience.

Rhonda Hunter 128 High St. – Invited the Mayor and Council to attend the Carter Family Care Connections Center's grand opening at 11 am Friday. Councilwoman Miller asked what Family Care Connections does. Ms. Hunter explained it is a resource center for those struggling with addiction and their families.

Chaplin Cuff of the Woodbury Fire Department – Thanked Councilwoman Miller and Councilman Johnson for coming out to the pancake breakfast. He then gave a brief update on St. Florian's Day and thanked the Police Chief for having officers present.

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

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman McIlvaine made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DANEEN D. FUSS, City Clerk