

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD
SEPTEMBER 24, 2019
AT 33 DELAWARE STREET, WOODBURY, NJ 08096**

The meeting of September 24, 2019 was called to order by Council President Parker at 7:00 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 Reorganization Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 5, 2019.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Council President Parker, Mayor Floyd

Absent: Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Johnson

Others Present: City Clerk, Daneen Fuss; Administrator, Franklin Brown; Solicitor, John Alice; CFO, Robert Law; City Engineer, Erika Vardaxis; Zoning Officer, John Leech

Minutes

Councilman Fleming Made a motion to approve the minutes of September 10, 2019 seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor. Council President Parker Abstained.

Presentations and Discussions

Open to the Public for Agenda Items

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

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

Resolutions, Ordinances

ORDINANCE NO. 2314-19 ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AMENDING THE SALARY ORDINANCE FOR THE YEAR 2019 *September 24, 2019 is the introduction; October 8, 2019 is the public hearing.* Councilman Fleming presented the above titled ordinance. Ms. Fuss read the title of the ordinance. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Tierney asked what items have changed and if the contracts are open to the public. Ordinance 2314-19 was adopted on first reading by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

Ayes 6 Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor, Council President Parker

Nays 0

Abstain 1 Councilwoman Tierney

Absent 2 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Johnson

ORDINANCE NO. 2315-19 ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$3,823,390; 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 \$2,658,309 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS PIECES OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED; SUPERSEDING NUMEROUS BOND ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED BY THE CITY; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING *September 24, 2019 is the introduction; October 8, 2019 is the public hearing.* Councilman Fleming presented the above titled ordinance. Ms. Fuss read the title of the ordinance. Councilman Fleming stated this ordinance and the next are duplicates of previous passed ordinances and only correct an advertisement error. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, Ordinance 2315-19 was adopted on first reading by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2316-19 ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,420,000; 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 \$1,420,000 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS PIECES OF WATER & SEWER UTILITY EQUIPMENT AND THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS WATER & SEWER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED; SUPERSEDING NUMEROUS BOND ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED BY THE CITY; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING *September 24, 2019 is the introduction; October 8, 2019 is the public hearing.* Councilman Fleming presented the above titled ordinance. Ms. Fuss read the title of the ordinance. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine, Ordinance 2316-19 was adopted on first reading by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 19-150 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WOODBURY AND THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER – MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE JULY 2020 TO JUNE 2025 Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney Resolution 19-150 was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

Ayes 7 Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Council President Parker

Nays 0

Absent 2 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Johnson

RESOLUTION NO. 19-151 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JUSTIN REICHERT AS A PART-TIME SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CLASS II FOR THE CITY OF WOODBURY Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine Resolution 19-151 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-152 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF KENNETH YOUNG AS A PART-TIME SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CLASS II FOR THE CITY OF WOODBURY Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine Resolution 19-152 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-153 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING CANCELATION OF INTEREST BALANCE ON 2019 DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP MUA WATER/SEWER ACCOUNT IN THE CITY OF WOODBURY Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor Resolution 19-153 was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

Ayes 7 Councilman Fleming, Councilman Hagerty, Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller, Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilwoman Tierney, Council President Parker

Nays 0

Absent 2 Councilwoman Carter, Councilman Johnson

RESOLUTION NO. 19-154 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING ASSIGNMENTS Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine, Resolution 19-154 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-155 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AWARDING A CONTRACT TO RICKY SLADE CONSTRUCTION INC. FOR THE FY2019 STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - EDITH AVENUE Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine Resolution 19-155 was tabled until the meeting of October 8, 2019.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-156 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND ACCEPTING THE MAINTENANCE BOND OF A. C. SCHULTES, INC. FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF WELL NO. 2A Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney Resolution 19-156 was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 19-157 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND ACCEPTING THE MAINTENANCE BOND OF LANDBERG CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR THE RESURFACING OF WEST CENTRE STREET – SOUTH DREXEL STREET TO SOUTH JACKSON STREET Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor Resolution 19-157 was adopted by a roll call vote resulting in the following:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 19-158 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY DESIGNATING AN AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY COORDINATOR PURSUANT TO THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS TITLE 28, CHAPTER 1, PART 35 SUBPART A, 35.107(A) Councilman Fleming presented the above titled resolution. Ms. Fuss read the title of the resolution. On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Miller Resolution 19-152 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 reported the finance committee met earlier this evening to review capitol items with the engineer to discuss projects for next year.

Councilwoman O'Connor reported the public safety committee is happy to welcome the two new part time SLEO II's. Councilwoman O'Connor is going to be scheduling a ride-along with a police officer and she would also like to spend a day within the police station. She then commended the Fire Chief on the changes he is making. Councilwoman O'Connor finished her report by saying she attended the most recent Board of Education meeting where the School Resource Officer's spoke stating things are going very well.

Councilwoman Miller reported there was a creative team meeting earlier today and will report at the next meeting.

Councilwoman Tierney soon will be setting up a meeting with Councilman McIlvaine, Councilwoman Miller and Mayor Floyd

Councilwoman O'Connor asked Councilwoman Tierney if there was a cleanup day coming soon within the community. Councilwoman Tierney responded.

Report of the Mayor – Mayor Floyd reported the DVRPC is closing the Classic Towns portion and have sent an award. A Career Pathway Connections program is opening up on October 3rd at 603 N. Broad Street and will be having a ribbon cutting at 2:30 pm. The program will be providing job training and placement for the deaf and hard of hearing. Oct 28th the NJ Main Street Organization will be coming to Woodbury to help and give advice on things the City can improve upon. She finished her report by wishing Councilman McIlvaine a happy birthday.

Report of the City Clerk – Ms. Fuss has no report at this time.

Department Announcements

Erika Vardaxis – Engineer –Ms. Vardaxis reported the Clerk received bids for the Edith Avenue Project and may be awarding that at the next meeting. Councilman Fleming stated the City has received the pending permits from the DEP for the Red Bank pump.

Councilman Fleming then brought forth the following resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 19-159 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING THE ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE AND ACCEPT BIDS FOR THE WEST REDBANK AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

Councilman Fleming made a motion Councilman McIlvaine seconded.

Mr. Law on behalf of Cassidy Swanson, reported the Gather ribbon cutting Oct 1 at the Gather building. He also stated the Parade is coming on October 5th.

Unfinished business

Mr. Brown stated the Gloucester County Administrator has reached out to the city regarding the Gloucester County Electrical Aggregation Program. Mr. Brown stated the responses so far within the county are 8 no 5 yes. Councilwoman O'Connor asked if we have numbers for the amount of savings the Residents would receive. Councilman Fleming suggested more information be obtained on municipalities that have gone through the process previously.

New Business

No new business

Open to the Public

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

John Belko 605 Delaware – spoke on behalf of Mary Carter. The Lunch Munch is tomorrow. He also stated Oct 18th the FAF will be holding a thank you gathering for the members and volunteers at Made.

John Fulmer 548 Hunter Street – Stated he would like to speak on the Stuart Lake Path which is planned to be created. He stated he is here tonight to discuss the wildlife in and around the Pond. He expressed his concerns regarding the path's effect to the wildlife. He asked if the NJDEP has done a study on the wildlife in the area. He suggested that the area be turned into a nature trail.

Bob Langi 150 Rugby Place – Mr. Langi stated he is a lifetime resident of Woodbury and will also be discussing Stuart Lake Path, Docks and improvements. He stated the lake has not been kept up to the standards it should. He also asked if the engineers have been on site to see how wet the terrain is. He asked for some improvements to be made to keep it natural but does not want an 8 foot asphalt path. He stated he would like to see an environmental impact report done on the site. Councilwoman O'Connor asked what Mr. Langi would like the nature trail to be constructed out of. He suggested gravel to which Councilman McIlvaine stated the NJDEP stated stone was not allowed. Councilman McIlvaine also stated the City has been working on this project for at least the last 4 years, permits and reports have been completed. Mr. Langi stated he would like to see the environmental impact studies done by the DEP.

Jane Butler 157 Rugby Place- Ms. Butler stated she has lived in her home since 1982. She stated the Public Works department has been neglecting the area. She expressed her concerns with the proposed path stating the area is too secluded to be safe.

Robert Butler 534 Hunter Street – Mr. Butler stated he and his fellow residents did not have any idea that the project had been going on. He stated he is astounded of the amount of wildlife on the lake. He went on to discuss Bald Eagles he believes to be nesting in the area.

Jordan McDow 150 Rugby Place – Stated his biggest concern is the lack of security and safety. He is also concerned with the amount of space between the property lines and the lake. He stated he has lived all across the city but wanted to point out that the path would be creating a direct path from the apartment complexes to the Walmart.

Jim Kenubuehl 643 Cooper Street –Mr. Kenubuehl stated he has lived in Woodbury 25 years. He reminded the council that the area is a flood zone and he has concerns what the path would do to the flooding in that area. He also has concerns about the distance between the proposed path and the school. He suggested working with Deptford as well as the neighbors and businesses that abut the lake. Councilwoman O'Connor asked when the project began and how far through. Councilman McIlvaine stated the City started project around 2012 and has been receiving Green Acres grants since 2014. Councilman McIlvaine also repeated the State reports and planning are done and permits should be available any day. Councilman McIlvaine stated construction will begin in and around March weather dependent. Councilman McIlvaine went on to say the police have already agreed to do continuous patrols of the area, and public works will be taking care of the garbage and mowing. Ms. Vardaxis stated soil bores were done as well as environmental reports.

Dottie 140 Rugby Place – Asked why the residents were never informed. Councilwoman Tierney gave a brief history of the project and stated her opinion is to take a step back if for no other reason than the public's reaction. Mayor Floyd stated when the residents have been asked what they like about Woodbury one of the main points is the wonderful lake system. A lot of the city residents would like to have access to the lake as well. Councilman McIlvaine asked Mr. Law what the total amount spent so far. Mr. Law stated about \$100,000.00. which the City would have to pay as the funds were bonded. Also waiting on the projects runs the risk of DEP holding funding from the City for future grants until significant progress has been made on this project.

Gwenda (last name inaudible) 643 Cooper Street – Stated her biggest concern is traffic and the impact of the increase in the parking spaces. She went on to say she would welcome walkers but would not like more vehicles.

Tina Chiu 182 Rugby – Ms. Chiu stated her house backs up right up onto the lake. She stated she goes out and talks to the fisherman and has no concerns with the people. However she does not like the idea of bicycles.

Lee Weatherby 303 W. Centre Street – Stated the Council is responsible for all projects as they are council. Mr. Weatherby would like to see who in the City makes the salaries listed. He also asked what the cost is for the take-down of the Gather Building. Ms. Fuss stated the salary information can be given through the OPRA. Mayor Floyd stated quotes are being received and reviewed for the take-down of the Gather building. Councilwoman Tierney stated the council gets an engineer's report which includes green acres information.

Dave Carter 523 Hunter Street – Mr. Carter stated he has respect for his neighbors' concerns and thanked Councilwoman Tierney for her comments. He stated he would like to see public works spending more time at the current lake.

Regina (last name inaudible) On behalf of her Sorority would like to get 20 signatures of individuals just stating they will be voting in the upcoming election as a part of her community outreach program.

Seeing no one else, Councilman Hagerty made a motion to close the floor, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilwoman O'Connor made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman McIlvaine. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DANEEN D. FUSS, City Clerk