

February 23, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Woodbury held on the above date was called to order by President C. Barry E. Sloane at 7:30 pm. The meeting was held in Council Chambers located at Woodbury City Hall, 33 Delaware Street, Woodbury, NJ. The Clerk/Administrator, Thomas B. Bowe, stated that it was a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Woodbury City Council and due notice had been given to both the press and the public by reason of a resolution for Regular Meetings adopted January 5, 2009.

There was a Moment of Silence following the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Pottillo, Brown, Fleming, Louis, Tierney, Croce, President Sloane and Mayor Curtis

Absent: Villari, Trout

### **PUBLIC**

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Fleming, the Regular Order of Business was suspended and the floor was opened to the Public for Agenda Items Only.

As no one desired to address Council, on motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Louis, the public portion was closed and the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

### **MINUTES**

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Louis, the minutes of February 9, 2009 were approved as submitted.

### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

**ORDINANCE #2100-09 – BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF A NEW POTABLE WATER STORAGE TANK FOR THE CITY OF WOODBURY, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$3,075,000 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**

**\$3,075,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

Councilman Fleming advised that he would like to make clear that there is an application being prepared under the State Stimulus Plan which would save the City a considerable amount of money as the interest rate would be 0% if we receive approval.

Mr. Wilkinson, City Engineer, explained what the process would be if the plans are approved.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Louis, the ordinance was passed on first reading, to be advertised according to law, come up for second reading, public hearing and final passage at the next regular meeting of Council on March 9, 2009.

**RESOLUTION #09-64 – RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.58:11b-9(a) AND N.J.S.A.40a:2-26(e)**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Louis, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

**RESOLUTION #09-69 – RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TAX EXEMPTION AND CANCEL TAXES FOR A DISABLED VETERAN (Kirk)**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

**VOUCHERS**

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the vouchers as presented were authorized paid.

Councilman Fleming advised that there will be a Safety JIF Breakfast Meeting at Nicolosi's on February 26, 2009.

Councilman Fleming also advised that police contracts will be one of the items discussed during the Executive Session later this evening.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**ORDINANCE #2098-09 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING PLACEMENT OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PADDLES**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled ordinance for final adoption.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the ordinance was ordered opened for public hearing.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the public hearing was ordered closed.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the ordinance was passed on second and final reading by a roll call vote.

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| Ayes   | 7 | Brown, Fleming, Louis, Tierney, Pottillo, Croce, Sloane |
| Nays   | 0 |   |
| Absent | 2 | Villari, Trout  |

**ORDINANCE #2099-09 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AMENDING CHAPTER 20-2 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY PROVIDING FOR RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

Councilwoman Tierney inquired why this ordinance was being presented.

President Sloane stated that the Fire Department has requested this measure.

Mayor Curtis also stated that there has been an increase of membership in the department over the past several years because of changes in policies/benefits. The Fire Department feels that there are enough qualified members within the City to handle our local leadership needs.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Fleming, the ordinance was passed on first reading, to be advertised according to law, come up for second reading, public hearing and final passage at the next regular meeting of Council on March 9, 2009.

**PUBLIC WORKS/UTILITIES**

**RESOLUTION #09-70 – RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH FEDERICI & AKIN, PA REGARDING 1 MILLION GALLON ELEVATED STORAGE TANK NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST LOAN NO. 0822001-002**

Councilman Pottillo presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilman Louis asked the City Engineer, Ted Wilkinson, to explain why we needed a special agreement since he is already under contract with the City.

Mr. Wilkinson explained that he has to have the number of hours that are spent on this particular project recorded separately; therefore, it should be under a separate contract.

On motion of Councilman Pottillo, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**RESOLUTION #09-68 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLOSED SESSION REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS FOR REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION AND UNION CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

Councilman Fleming advised that he had some discussion with DOT concerning the Channelization of Broad Street and it appears that DOT is finalizing plans for the Channelization.

**PERSONNEL**

Councilwoman Tierney had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Tierney did, however, have a bag of glass shards that she received from a group of parents who had some concerns because these pieces of glass were found on our Soccer Fields possibly endangering our children.

Mr. Wilkinson, City Engineer, explained how this could be occurring and what can be done to correct it.

Mayor Curtis stated that over the winter months there have been ATVs riding on that surface contributing to the damage to the fields. .

## **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Councilman Croce inquired what happened with the pollution problem along Cooper Street near the Deptford Township border.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that DEP did confirm there was some problem in that area and samples of the stream water were taken and we will have to wait for the results.

Mr. Bowe inquired if the City could do something while we are waiting.

The City Engineer advised that the construction being done at the Walmart location could be a contributing factor. There is probably a high content of iron deposits in the stream, and the smell is from the decomposing of vegetation materials. As far as where the stream enters Woodbury's lakes, we could possibly look into a filtering/monitoring system.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

### **RESOLUTION #09-63 – RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY OPPOSING NEW JERSEY LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES RESOLUTION SEEKING TO REDUCE THE MINIMUM FUNDING LEVEL FOR NEW JERSEY PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

Councilwoman Brown presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Mrs. Jean Wipf, Woodbury's Director of the Library, came forward to explain that the League of Municipalities has issued a resolution requesting that a 50% cut on funding be made to Libraries within the State of New Jersey. Our resolution is being done at her request so that the City can express its concerns to our State Representatives showing Council's support that we are not in agreement with the League's resolution.

On motion of Councilwoman Brown, seconded by Councilman Fleming, this resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

### **RESOLUTION #09-65 – RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #08-174 AND #09-41 AUTHORIZING THE USE OF NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING REHABILITATION AND NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PROGRAM FUNDS FOR BLOCK 64, lot 6 A/K/A 41 HIGH STREET**

Councilwoman Brown presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilwoman Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

**RESOLUTION #09-66 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FUNDS FOR BLOCK 109, LOT 8 A/K/A 75 EAST BARBER AVENUE**

Councilwoman Brown presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilwoman Brown, seconded by Councilman Pottillo, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

**RESOLUTION #09-67 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FUNDS FOR BLOCK 66, LOT 25.01 A/K/A 349 GLOVER STREET**

Councilwoman Brown presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilwoman Brown, seconded by Councilman Croce, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote.

**GREEN ACRES**

Councilman Croce had nothing to report in Councilman Trout's absence.

**MAYOR CURTIS**

Mayor Curtis advised that there will be a Public Hearing held on March 16, 2009 with the Department of Transportation pertaining to Route 45. No time and place have been decided upon but the Mayor will know at the next meeting and advise.

**CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR**

Mr. Bowe welcomed questions pertaining to the Engineer's Report.

As no one had any questions, Mr. Bowe had no further business to discuss.

**PUBLIC**

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the Regular Order of Business was suspended and the floor was open to the Public for Non-Agenda Items.

