

March 19, 2007

A Special Meeting of Mayor and Council was held on the above date and was called to order by President Sloane at 6:30 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 Special Meeting of the Mayor and Woodbury City Council and due notice had been given to both the press and the public.

President Sloane requested a Moment of Silence.

ROLL CALL

Present: Riskie, Schreyer, Villari, Fleming, Louis, Tierney, Belko, President Sloane

Absent: Brown and Mayor Curtis

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

RESOLUTION #07-78 – RESOLUTION REGARDING REVIEW OF 2005 AUDIT AND CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

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.

ORDINANCE #2047-07 – YEAR 2007 – ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK WHEN THE COLA IS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 2.5 PERCENT (N.J.S.A.40a:4-45.14)

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

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 a regular meeting of Council on April 9, 2007.

A roll call vote was required.

Ayes 8 Riskie, Schreyer, Villari, Fleming, Louis, Tierney, Belko, President Sloane

Absent 1 Brown

RESOLUTION #07-79 – RESOLUTION TO AVERAGE TAX COLLECTION RATE FOR USE IN THE 2007 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

Mr. Law advised that in the past we have been using 97% as the tax collection rate for use in the budget. Since our 2006 tax collection rate was 96.61%, in order to use 97% in the 2007 budget, this resolution is necessary.

RESOLUTION #07-80 – RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE 2007 BUDGET

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilman Fleming stated that before there was any decision on the budget he would like to thank everyone who helped put the figures together, especially Councilwoman Tierney and Bob Law, Chief Financial Officer.

***COUNCILWOMAN BROWN ARRIVED AT 6:50 PM**

Councilman Fleming explained that how, by working with all the department heads, especially Mike Walsh, they were able to keep the budget to a minimum.

Councilman Fleming then went into some detail regarding where the cuts were made and also discussed what items could not be cut especially the purchase of some new vehicles in the Fire and Police Departments, and Public Works Department.

Bob Law discussed how our water and sewer utility was now self-liquidating.

Mr. Law continued by stating how he arrived at certain figures to determine how much bonding would be necessary for this year regarding capital projects.

Councilwoman Tierney asked if she could receive a copy of the capital projects list.

Mr. Law then introduced the Michael Cesaro, from Bowman and Company, who was present this evening to answer questions.

There was a discussion period between Council members and Mr. Law regarding some of the figures and purchases.

The resolution was adopted by a roll call vote.

Ayes	6	Riskie, Schreyer, Villari, Brown, Fleming, President Sloane
Nays	3	Louis, Tierney, Belko

PUBLIC

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, the Regular Order of Business was suspended and the floor was open to the public.

Seeing no one, on motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Louis, the Public Portion was closed and the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

There being no further business, on motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Louis, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

THOMAS B. BOWE
Clerk/Administrator

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT

Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law

Deputy City Clerk: Gail R. Scheffler

Emergency Mgmt Office: Lieutenant Steven Cope

Police: Captain Timothy Sheehan

Public Works: Michael Walsh, Tom Dukelow, Rich Leidy, Bill Lynch

Solicitor: James Pierson, Esquire