

June 8, 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.

President Sloane opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation which was delivered by Reverend Christine Regan.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Croce

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Council President Sloane announced that tonight was “Students in Government Night” and his representative would be James Jones, who would be conducting the meeting this evening. The other students representing other City Officials were:

- Kyle Parham – Councilman Pottillo
- Renia Singleton – Councilman Villari
- Zoe Mowl – Councilman Louis
- James Torres – Councilman Fleming
- Mansara Hassan – Councilwoman Brown
- Christian Schoning – Councilman Trout
- Zachary Sharp – Councilwoman Tierney
- Teddie Johnson – Mayor Curtis
- Helen Cromwell – Thomas B. Bowe
- Reshetta Roundtree – Had to leave early

MINUTES

On motion of Councilwoman Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the minutes of May 26, 2009 were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

President Sloane invited Patrolman Joseph Collins to come forward.

Patrolman Collins stated that the Policemen's Association will be sponsoring a Blood Drive which will be held on July 9th from 1:30 pm to 7:30 PM at St. Pat's Parrish Hall on Green Avenue. Patrolman Collins advised that currently the blood supply is very low and any help that can be given them would be appreciated. He can be reached at 845-0065, X 156 if anyone would like to sign up.

PUBLIC

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

Anthony Chiesa, 36 Rugby Place, came forward to inquire about Ordinance #2104-09. Was the position mentioned in the ordinance a newly-established position, or one that already existed, and was it accounted for in the budget?

President Sloane stated that the position already existed and that it was already accounted for in the budget.

Mr. Chiesa also inquired about Ordinance #2103-09 "The Salary Ordinance" particularly addressing the salaries for Mayor and Council. Were they paid quarterly as indicated in the first reading of the ordinance?

Mr. Law explained that they were paid yearly and the figure was always the yearly figure and not a quarterly number as indicated in the first reading. Mr. Law stated that Mr. Chiesa brought this to his attention at the last meeting when the ordinance was introduced and since then it has been corrected.

As no one else desired to address Council, on motion of Councilman Pottillo, the Public Portion was closed and the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

ORDINANCE #2103-09 – AN ORDINANCE TO FIX AND ESTABLISH SALARIES AND RATE OF COMPENSATION ON THE VARIOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, AND TO PROVIDE THE MANNER OF PAYMENT THEREOF AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH

Councilman Fleming introduced his student, James Torres.

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

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

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

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Trout, the public hearing was ordered closed.

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

Ayes	8	Villari, Brown, Fleming, Louis, Tierney, Pottillo, Trout, Sloane
Nays	0	
Absent	1	Croce

ORDINANCE #2104-09 – AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE POSITION OF MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING THE CITY OF WOODBURY’S AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THE FAIR HOUSING ACT

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled ordinance

The City of Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilwoman Brown, 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 June 22, 2009.

ORDINANCE #2105-09 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 190, SECTION 38 SCHEDULE VIII: STOP INTERSECTIONS

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

Councilwoman Brown asked for more details on the ordinance.

Mayor Curtis advised that he had requested that the Chief of Police look into the areas where four-way stop signs were installed to see if they are helping the traffic situation the way we intended them to. It was found that some were a benefit and others were not; that is why we are making some changes.

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 June 22, 2009.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #09-126 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC BIDS FOR THE YEAR 2008 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROJECT “HANDICAP RAMP PROJECT”

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 motion.

RESOLUTION #09-127 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WOODBURY TAX COLLECTOR TO PREPARE AND MAIL ESTIMATED TAX BILLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH P.L. 1994, C.72

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilwoman Tierney inquired if we had received a response from our local Finance Board regarding the budget.

Mr. Law responded that we had not, and because of this we have to send out our estimated tax bills so we can collect taxes; we will make adjustments to the tax bills for the fourth quarter when all of the figures come in.

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

RESOLUTION #09-128 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WOODBURY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO TRANSFER AND TO TRANSFER REAL PROPERTY TO GLOUCESTER COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

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 motion.

RESOLUTION #09-129 – REOLUTION AMENDING CITY OF WOODBURY PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL TO INCLUDE IDENTIY THEFT POLICY

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 motion.

RESOLUTION #09-132 – RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AWARDED BID FOR 1.0 M.G. CONCRETE WATER STORAGE TANK

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilman Fleming requested the City Engineer to come forward to summarize the status of the reservoir project.

Mr. Wilkinson, City Engineer, came forward stating that bids were received and he is happy to report that the lowest bidder, C. Abbonizio, Inc. came in lower than our projected estimated figure, which is a good thing.

Also the Engineer stated that we have to amend this resolution to include wording acknowledging the need for DEP approval before we can award the bid.

Councilman Louis inquired if this price included a foundation.

Mr. Wilkinson advised that the way the specifications read it would not include the foundation unless it is needed after demolition is done.

Councilwoman Tierney inquired if residents will be notified when the project starts so as to warn them about the possibility of lower water pressure. The Engineer stated they would be.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Louis, the resolution was adopted with the amended wording to include the “ DEP approval”.

RESOLUTION #09-134 – RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR LOCAL AID FOR ROADWAY OVERLAY

Councilman Fleming presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilwoman Tierney inquired as to what roadways were involved in the overlay.

Ted Wilkinson stated that the list was not available and was being revised.

President Sloane then requested that the resolution be “TABLED” until such time that the finalized list is available.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Trout, the resolution was “TABLED”.

VOUCHERS

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

PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION #09-130 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PLACE-TO-PLACE TRANSFER (EXPANSION OF PREMISES) OF LIQUOR LICENSE #0822-33-002-007 B JL BLUE POINT, INC. (CAPN’S CORNER BAR & TAVERN)

Councilman Louis introduced his student, Zoe Mowl.

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilman Trout inquired if the deck that is part of the expansion would be elevated; he was concerned about the location and security issues.

Mr. Lukens, the owner of the license who was present, responded that all measures have been taken to make sure that the deck is secure.

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

PUBLIC WORKS/UTILITIES

RESOLUTION #09-131 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT

Councilman Pottillo introduced his student, Kyle Parham.

Councilman Pottillo presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilwoman Tierney inquired how the health benefits were effected.

Mr. Law stated that the health benefits will be changed effective July 1st for all departments: Police, Public Staff and Public Works will now all have the same coverage which generally provides for an increase in the co-pay.

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

Councilman Pottillo read a letter from Rich Leidy, Public Works Department, regarding the painting of stripping at the Firehouse and as well as at various crosswalks throughout the City.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Council Villari introduced his student, Renia Singleton.

Councilman Villari had nothing to report.

PERSONNEL

RESOLUTION #09-133 – RESOLUTION APPOINTING EEO COMPLIANCE OFFICER (Robert Law)

Councilwoman Tierney introduced her student, Zachary Sharp.

Councilwoman Tierney presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

ENVIRONMENTAL

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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Councilwoman Brown introduced her student, Sara Hassan.

Councilwoman Brown thanked all the students for coming out tonight and also thanked Gloria Goode for helping her and Councilwoman Tierney in the organization of this program which commemorated the memory of Councilwoman Roberta Schreyer.

GREEN ACRES

Councilman Trout introduced his student, Christian Schoning.

Councilman Trout had nothing to report for Green Acres.

MAYOR CURTIS

Mayor Curtis introduced his student, Teddie Johnson.

Mayor Curtis stated that he had met with representatives who run the River Line and discussed how light rail might effect Woodbury.

The Mayor also thanked for Council for approving the Water Storage Tank resolution, an extremely important project.

Mayor Curtis advised that he met with Councilman Trout, the City Engineer, and the Soccer Program Reps to discuss the fields, rest rooms and storage facility which would complete the Soccer Field project.

The Mayor reminded everyone of the Blood Drive that Patrolman Collins referred to earlier and asked for everyone's help.

And lastly, Mayor Curtis announced that a Public Open House will be held at the High School this Thursday to discuss the options regarding Mass Transit Plans that have been proposed for South Jersey. The meeting will start at 6:30 pm and everyone is urged to come out and support this plan.

On June 16th one of our residents, Ella Mae Wing, will celebrate her 105th Birthday. Congratulations to her!

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Bowe, Clerk/Administrator, introduced his student, Helen Cromwell.

Mr. Bowe referenced a notice from DVRPC of a meeting to be held in the Cherry Hill Library on the topic of mass transit. The meeting will also be held this Thursday from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Councilwoman Brown personally thanked Tom Bowe for making sure that tonight's program ran smoothly.

PUBLIC

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

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

There being no further business, on motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

THOMAS B. BOWE
Clerk/Administrator

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT

Assessor: Roy Duffield
Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law
City Engineer, Ted Wilkinson, PE
Deputy City Clerk: Gail Scheffer
NPP Coordinator: Virginia Horn
Solicitor: James Pierson, Esq.