

August 11, 2008

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 2, 2008.

The Invocation was delivered by the Reverend Joseph Coles, Assistant Pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church.

ROLL CALL

Present: Riskie, Schreyer, Villari, Brown, Fleming, Tierney, Belko, President Sloane and Mayor Curtis

Absent: Louis

MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Riskie, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the minutes of the meeting of July 28, 2008 were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC

On motion of Councilman Riskie, seconded by Councilman Belko, 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 Councilman Riskie, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, the Public Portion was closed and the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

RESOLUTIONS

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

RESOLUTION #08-158 – RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BUDGET

Councilman Fleming presented the above entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilman Fleming explained that there was some concern by the Finance Committee that an amendment was necessary to the original budget submitted in March. It was necessary that an amendment be submitted prior to December 2008 in order to be eligible to receive consideration for the third round COAH Regulations to be put in place. The City had to find additional money amounting to \$37,000 for the amendment to the budget.

The City was advised by the City Planner that if we did not submit the amendment the City would be in jeopardy of not receiving the approval under the third round COAH Regulations which would effect the housing plans for redevelopment in the City.

Councilwoman Tierney stated that she did understand why the City would have to fill this requirement to be eligible under the COAH Regulations.

Bob Law explained that we are allowed to amend our budget after we adopt the budget but we have to ask permission from the State to insert anything into our budget and they could deny that request.

We could have done it sooner but we were waiting to find out if the City was receiving any extraordinary aid.

Mr. Law then advised about the Special Meeting that will be held on Monday, August 18, 2008 to have a Public Hearing on the amendment and also for the adoption of the Budget. Publication will appear in the newspaper on Thursday, August 14, 2008.

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Riskie, there was a roll call vote for the adoption of the resolution.

Ayes	8	Riskie, Schreyer, Villari, Brown, Fleming, Tierney, Belko, President Sloane
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Nays	0	
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Absent	1	Louis
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VOUCHERS

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

PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION #08-156 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PERSON-TO-PERSON TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE #0822-44-006-005 FROM MARTIN’S LIQUORS, LLC T/A CANAL’S DISCOUNT LIQUOR MART TO CLL LIQUORS, LLC

Councilman Belko presented the above-entitled resolution in Councilman Louis’ absence.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

Councilman Belko inquired if the Police Department could discuss an arrest that occurred last week.

Lieutenant Cope stated that he could only say that there was an arrest made for an assault but it is still under investigation. He could only say that a fifteen year old victim was apprehended.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councilman Villari had nothing to report.

PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION #08-157 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 REGARDING WEST CENTRE STREET

Councilman Belko presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

PERSONNEL

Councilman Riskie stated that the Personnel Committee is working on getting the evaluation forms out.

Councilman Riskie also advised that the Personnel and Finance Committees are working together to discuss City vehicles and will review options they have to save on expenses.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Councilwoman Tierney advised that she met with Mr. Law and Mr. Dukelow and have come up with the theme for this year's Fall Festival parade which will be "Keepin It Green".

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Councilwoman Brown thanked Public Works for providing the "No Parking" sign already in existence at 83 Aberdeen Place.

GREEN ACRES

Councilwoman Schreyer had nothing to report.

Councilman Fleming advised that he met with the Planner last week and the zoning ordinance revision he has been working on is in its final stages. He will be distributing the ordinance next week for Council's review.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

President Sloane stated that the Special Meeting they discussed earlier will be held on Monday at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers.

MAYOR CURTIS

Mayor Curtis advised that at the last Council Meeting he stated there were 21 members at the Fire Department. He is happy to report since that time the membership has increased to thirty (30) and they now have five (5) Explorer Scouts.

The Mayor reminded everyone that Woodfest is still going on Friday nights along Broad Street.

Also, there will be another Cruise Night held along Broad Street this week.

Mayor Curtis thanked the Police and Public Works Departments for the installation of the stop signs and the pedestrian signs.

The Mayor also thanked the Police Department for their quick response to the assault incident that occurred recently on Broad Street.

Mayor Curtis was happy to announce that another path has been cleared and opened behind Rotary Park around the back of Red Eagle Produce. The Mayor thanked Public Works for helping to make this possible.

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Bowe welcomed questions for the Engineer.

Mayor Curtis inquired about the Soccer Fields regarding a bad circuit breaker. Mr. Wilkinson stated it was being addressed.

The Mayor also inquired about the status of W. Center Street. Mr. Wilkinson advised that the next thing will be the planting of trees very shortly.

Mr. Wilkinson also advised that he has been working on preparing specifications for a Trailer Mount Video and the new roof for City Hall and the Firehouse.

Mr. Wilkinson inquired about the four-way stop sign at Centre and Lupton Streets and if Council wanted Mount to erect them. The decision was to have our Public Works personnel install them.

PUBLIC

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

Pat McCutcheon, 11 Curtis Avenue, came forward to inquire if Council has considered making any changes to the existing zoning ordinances since he would like to open a tattoo parlor at that location. Mr. McCutcheon spoke with the City Planner, Mr. Melvin, and got the impression that even if the ordinance was changed it would be a long while before it is implemented.

Councilman Fleming stated that Mr. McCutcheon's application will go before the Planning/Zoning Board the first week of September then to Council for their review.

President Sloane explained the procedure to Mr. McCutcheon regarding the time frame indicating that it could take a couple of months.

Seeing no one else, on motion of Councilman Riskie, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, 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 Riskie, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

THOMAS B. BOWE
Clerk/Administrator

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT

Assessor: Roy Duffield

Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law

Deputy Clerk: Gail R. Scheffler

Emergency Mgmt Officer: Lieutenant Cope

Librarian: Jean Wipf

Public Works: Michael Walsh

Solicitor: James Pierson, Esq.