

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Woodbury held on the above date was called to order by President Harry R. Riskie at 7:30 p.m.. The meeting was held in Council Chambers located at Woodbury City Hall, 33 Delaware Street, Woodbury, N.J.. The 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, 2005.

The Reverend Keith Enty of Bethel AME Church, Woodbury delivered the Invocation.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Brown, Louis, Graziani, Sloane, Schreyer, Tierney, President Riskie, Mayor Clark

**Absent:** Curtis, Grimming

**MINUTES**

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 15, 2005 were approved as submitted. Councilman Sloane did not vote.

**PUBLIC**

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**ORDINANCE #2007-05 - AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 142 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY ENTITLED: POLLUTION**

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

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Sloane, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, the ordinance was placed on second reading and ordered opened for public hearing.

On motion of Councilman Sloane, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, the public hearing was ordered closed.

On motion of Councilman Sloane, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, the ordinance was placed on third and final reading.

On motion of Councilman Sloane, seconded by Councilwoman Schreyer, the ordinance was passed by roll call vote.

Ayes	7	Brown, Louis, Graziani, Sloane, Schreyer, Tierney, President Riskie
Nays	0	
Absent	2	Curtis, Grimming

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**ORDINANCES**  
**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

**ORDINANCE #2008-05 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #2002-05 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**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the ordinance was placed on first reading.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Graziani, 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 September 26, 2005.

**ORDINANCE #2009-05 - ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1996-05 OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY, IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the ordinance was placed on first reading.

Councilman Louis inquired if new projects were being added to the original bond.

Mr. Law, Chief Financial Officer, explained that basically the City was reallocating the amounts for various projects, not changing the original amount of the bond.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Graziani, 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 September 26, 2005.

**ORDINANCE #2010-05 - ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1997-05 OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY, IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the ordinance was placed on first reading.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Graziani, 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 September 26, 2005.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### **RESOLUTION #05-128 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSON TO PERSON TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE #0822-32-004-006 HELD BY NEENA'S RISTORANTE, INC.**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Mr. Robert Clark, former owner of Café Neena, publicly thanked the Mayor, Council, Police & Fire Department Officers and all City Personnel with whom he has had the opportunity to work during his business career here in Woodbury.

Mr. Jonathan Garbini, the new owner, introduced himself and stated he looked forward to continuing to work with everyone and to continue the traditions of Café Neena.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #05-137 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REGIONAL CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT FUNDS FOR BLOCK 130 LOT 9 A/K/A 926 WASHINGTON AVENUE**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #05-138 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF LANDS OWNED BY THE CITY OF WOODBURY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 AND THE ADVERTISEMENT THEREOF, SPECIFICALLY BLOCK 114, LOT 33, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 60 HOPKINS STREET**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #05-140 - RESOLUTION APPOINTING A DEPUTY TAX/UTILITY COLLECTOR FOR THE CITY OF WOODBURY**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

**RESOLUTION #05-141 - RESOLUTION TO EXTEND AN AGREEMENT WITH WOODBURY TLC TRANSPORT, INC. FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2005 TO DECEMBER 31, 2005**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

**VOUCHERS**

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL**

Councilwoman Schreyer announced that on Thursday, September 15, 2005, at 8:00 pm., at the Train Station, she and a group of citizens will be meeting to discuss different ways residents can keep their lawns environmentally safe without using more chemicals than they need to. All interested residents are invited to join them.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

Councilwoman Brown first reflected on the passing of William Snyder which came as a shock, as she was away, and this was the first time she was hearing of it.

Councilwoman Brown spoke of the upcoming Minority Health Fair which is being held this Saturday, September 24, 2005 at the Child Development Center; all are welcomed to participate.

Councilwoman Brown stated she was concerned with the number of complaints she has received regarding the area on Railroad Avenue and asked if someone could look into this.

**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

President Riskie stated he was also away when he heard about the untimely passing of Mr. William Snyder; and stated that Bill will be sadly missed.

**MAYOR CLARK**

Mayor Clark spoke about the passing of Bill Snyder, the City's former Parks and Recreation Director, and of how much Mr. Snyder will be missed. The Mayor mentioned that he worked so hard to help make Woodbury a better place to live, especially where sports were involved. Mr. Snyder was also responsible for the building of the ambulance building on N. Broad

Str.. He surely will be missed by many and our prayers and thoughts go out to the family, especially his wife, Adele.

Mayor Clark then spoke on several events that took place in Woodbury: the Annual Car Show held along Broad Street, the Opening Day of Soccer, and the dedication of a Monument placed at the former site of Camp Stockton. Mayor Clark thanked Mr. Dukelow and the Public Works employees for helping get the field ready for the Opening Day of Soccer.

Mayor Clark also thanked Woodbury Cement for all their help and support in making the Camp Stockton Monument dedication such a memorable event and also along with E.P. Henry for their very generous donations of the materials. The Mayor then explained how the Camp Stockton Dedication came about, giving credit to Tom Stone who started the wheels in progress after the Mayor received a call from one of the Twelfth New Jersey Regiment Re-Enactors who showed interest in the site.

The Mayor also encouraged everyone to take part in the Minority Health Fair of which Councilwoman Brown spoke.

Mayor Clark advised that she has been receiving many questions from residents concerning the recent disasters experienced by the people along the Gulf Coast. Apparently, our residents are concerned and are inquiring would Woodbury be prepared if a disaster of that magnitude ever effected our City. The response was that Woodbury will be holding a meeting with all appropriate personnel to discuss if all of our procedures are adequate, and what we can do to better our chances of survival if such an event should effect our City. Sergeant Steven Cope, Emergency Management Officer for the City, plans to address many issues at this meeting, especially the City being prepared to handle the housing of outside evacuees if required.

The Mayor advised that there will be five Master Plan meetings. These meetings have been broken down into neighborhoods and the first meeting will be Thursday, September 15, 2005 at 7:00 pm at the Walnut Street School. The Mayor stressed that these meetings will be open to the public and the residents from those designated neighborhoods are encouraged to come out and voice their concerns. These meetings will not be the normal speech presenting types, instead City officials will be listening to all the residents and their concerns for their particular neighborhoods. There will be a separate meeting for business owners and professionals only, and that is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21, 2005 at Nicolosi's at 7:00 pm.

The Mayor stated that she is asking all Council persons to encourage all of their constituents to attend and make their concerns known so that all recommendations are considered when the City revises its Master Plan.

### **PRESIDENT RISKIE**

President Riskie advised that the City of Woodbury has had an Emergency Management Office in place for the last sixteen (16) years. President Riskie stated that the residents of the

City of Woodbury should be confident that with the direction of Sergeant Cope, the Police and Fire Departments, the community is in good hands.

### **CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR**

Mr. Bowe, Clerk/Administrator, on a personal note talked about the part Mr. Snyder played from as early on as his birth. His passing and loss is very significant to himself and his family.

The Clerk/Administrator stated that no bids were received for the Pole Barn Construction the opening of which was scheduled today; therefore, the project will have to be rebid.

Mr. Bowe requested approval to submit a Paris Grant Application whereby the City could receive \$20,000 for the purpose of updating our records system. The cost of the application will be around \$2,500, there is an excellent chance the application will be approved.

On motion of Councilman Sloane, seconded by Councilman Graziani, the request to apply for the Paris Grant was approved.

Mr. Bowe also requested approval for the City of Woodbury to donate the annual \$1,000 to be used for the Annual Fall Festival Parade. On motion of Councilman Sloane, seconded by Councilman Louis, the request was granted with Councilwoman Tierney abstaining from the vote due to her involvement with the Jaycees.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

President Riskie presented the Treasurer's Report which was received as filed.

### **PUBLIC**

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

Gene McCaffrey, 455 Hunter Street, approached Council to inquire about the outcome of the poll taken for the consideration of changing Hunter Street to a one-way street due to traffic issues.

Chief Reed Merinuk stated that the committee was still reviewing the request.

Mr. McCaffrey continued by stating that the main concerns for local residents is the speed the vehicles are traveling through the neighborhood. Mr. McCaffrey stated that the change of speed was remarkably slower when the motorists were aware that a radar control unit was in place. Mr. McCaffrey stated that he is suggesting that if the street was changed to a one-way street, the cars would travel even faster than they do now; however, if tickets were issued to violators now, it would be more effective, as many of the violators are either county workers or hospital workers. Mr. McCaffrey suggested putting a four-way stop sign at the Bayard/Hunter Strs. intersection and the continued use of radar control as the solution.

Chief Merinuk responded that a meeting was held today and many ideas and recommendations were suggested, and the Police are considering all options before a final decision is made.

Anthony Chiesa, 36 Rugby Place, stated that he agreed with Mr. McCaffrey's suggestions of radar control.

Mr. Chiesa stated that he also just received the news of the passing of Mr. Snyder. Mr. Chiesa had come to know Mr. Snyder through the School Board and Council Meetings. Mr. Chiesa especially remembers Mr. Snyder's pleasant manner in which he approached everything with such youthful energy. Mr. Chiesa stated he extended his condolences to the family.

Mr. Chiesa referred to a ordinance on tonight's agenda where repairs were being made to various sewers and roads. Mr. Chiesa inquired how his request was coming along with regards to the condition of drainage on Rugby Place that he brought before Council several meetings ago.

President Riskie advised Mr. Chiesa that first the Public Works Department was going to look at the situation with recommendations then being referred to the engineer.

Mr. Bowe advised Mr. Chiesa that the roads and sewers referenced in the bond ordinance on tonight's agenda have been projects that have been in the planning stages for the last 5-10 years. Mr. Bowe stated that although Rugby Place may be an area of concern there are other areas of greater concern and decisions are made based on the severity of the conditions.

Mr. Chiesa spoke about our Master Plan and the County having a Master Plan; are they both the same?

Mayor Clark informed Mr. Chiesa that all towns are required by state law to have a Master Plan; so one does exist for the City of Woodbury but the last full Master Plan is forty (40) years old. There have been accompanying updates. The Mayor then explained that so many changes have occurred in the City since the last full plan that the City now wants a new full plan. Some of the elements involved are housing, recreation, traffic, business district, etc. along with statistics and data, all of which will be presented to the public. It then goes through revisions, refinement and then the finished product will be presented to the City. It is a process similar to the School's Strategic Plan. Also, the City's Master Plan is not like the County's.

Mr. Chiesa then asked where he can see the last full Master Plan of 40 years ago. Mr. Bowe advised him there is a copy on file in City Hall.

Jim Di Marino, 450 Hunter Street, advised that an overgrown tree blocking the view of a stop sign at Bayard and Hunter Streets caused a recent accident. Dr. Di Marino inquired if something could be done with the stop sign location, as the tree is too large to be removed.

Chief Merinuk stated he would look further into the situation and advise.

Rich Leidy, Public Works Supervisor, advised that regarding the sewer drainage problem on Rugby Place, there is now a regular schedule for vacuuming this line which seems to be greatly helping the situation.

As no one else desired to address Council, on motion of Councilman Sloane, 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 Councilman Sloane, seconded by Councilman Graziani, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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THOMAS B. BOWE  
Clerk/Administrator

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law  
Deputy City Clerk: Gail R. Scheffler  
Emergency Mgmt Officer: Sergeant Steven Cope  
Neighborhood Preservation Director: Virginia Horn  
Police: Chief Reed Merinuk  
Solicitor: Michael Aimino, Esq.  
Streets: Rich Leidy, Supervisor  
Tax Assessor: Roy Duffield