

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF
FEBRUARY 11, 2014**

Pledge of Allegiance

The Meeting was opened by President Fleming at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance in Council Chambers at Woodbury City Hall, 33 Delaware Street, Woodbury.

Invocation

Reverend Norwood Cuff, Pastor, Campbell AME Church delivered the Invocation.

Open Public Meeting Statement

The City Clerk stated that due notice had been given to both the public and the press by posting and publication of Resolution #14-05 adopted at the Reorganizational Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 6, 2014.

Roll Call

Present: Tierney, Hock, Swanson, Trovato, Lockman, Parker, Carter, Johnson, President Fleming and Mayor Volk

Absent: No One

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Lockman, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the minutes of the meeting of January 28, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Public Session for Agenda Items

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

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

Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports

Finance & Administration

#2197-14 - Ordinance Authorizing Execution of Temporary Construction Easement To PSE&G

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

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker, the Public Hearing for the ordinance was ordered open.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, the Public Hearing was ordered closed.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, ordinance was unanimously adopted by a roll call vote.

Ayes 9 Tierney, Hock, Swanson, Trovato, Lockman, Parker, Carter,
Johnson, President Fleming

Nays 0

#2198-14 - Calendar Year 2014 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget

Economic Development

Councilman Trovato advised that his Committee is currently looking into a program that would promote shopping locally. He will ask Economic Development Director Randi Woerner to elaborate during her remarks.

Community Relations

Councilwoman Tierney reported on the progress of the Memorial Day Parade. Her Committee is having discussions with the Bonsal Blues and American Legion Post 133 to possibly change the format of the procession and will be meeting with them on February 24.

Environmental and Green Acres

Councilman Hock advised that the Green Team met yesterday to discuss ways to accomplish their objectives. Tree Ordinance is currently being reviewed by the Solicitor.

Community Development

Councilwoman Johnson stated his Committee is currently working on the Municipal Alliance programs and investigating ways to expand the Boys/Girls Club into the summer.

Property

Councilman Lockman was unable to attend the last committee meeting but will ask Randi Woerner to report on it.

Reports:

Mayor

Mayor Volk announced our Movie in the Park will be held at Stewart Lake Park on Friday, July 18th this year. The movie "Dolphin Tale" will be shown.

The Mayor stated he will be visiting the Food Bank of Southern New Jersey on February 24 in anticipation of becoming more involved in that program.

Clerk

Mr. Duffield announced that the Library will be featuring several events in the month of February in honor of Black History Month.

Open to the Public

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

Randi Woerner, Economic Development Director discussed several projects she was working on regarding three (3) ribbon cuttings, encouraging all to attend.

Ms. Woerner is looking into a program which benefits taxpayers if they shop locally.

Jim Gradwell, 611 Cooper Street, inquired on status of the Woodbury Country Club; Ms. Woerner answered that the redeveloper is doing their 'due diligence' and the property has not yet been sold.

Mr. Theokas, City Administrator, mentioned the winter weather we've experienced and the need for residents and businesses to shovel their sidewalks. He also stated that some of the City Hall personnel and their work stations will be rearranged to better serve the public.

Steven Abbott, 932 Washington Avenue, addressed bus traffic in his neighborhood and the need for snow plowing.

Paul Bunn, 18 E. Packard Avenue, also addressed sidewalk snow removal regulations and the lack of compliance.

Mr. Bunn suggested having a small July 4th Parade in the City.

Mr. Bunn inquired again about the painting of the City Hall shutters and when they would be finished. Mr. Duffield stated he has talked to the painters several times and would follow-up again.

Mayor Volk questioned the City Engineer whether County permits will be required for the Salem Avenue sewer lining project. Mr. Breier did not think so, other than traffic control.

Mary Carter from Main Street advised they are interviewing for the Director position.

Susan Anderson, inquired about the status of the light rail coming through Woodbury.

Councilman Lockman and President Fleming provided information they had available; summarizing that project still expected to proceed with a possible completion date sooner than anticipated.

On motion of Council Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker, the Public Portion was closed and the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Lockman, there will be a brief recess before Council goes into Executive Session (approximately 8:20 pm).

President Fleming stated official action will be taken when Council resumes the Regular Order of Business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Lockman, the Regular Order of Business was resumed (approximately 8:52 pm)

#14-51 - Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with PBA Local 122 - Contract Term: January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2018

Councilman Swanson presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#14-54 - Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with FMBA Local 62 - Contract Term: January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2018

Councilman Swanson presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

Adjournment

There being no further business, on motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker, the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. DUFFIELD
City Clerk

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT

Administrator: Michael Theokas

Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law

City Clerk: Roy A Duffield

City Engineer: Paul Brier

Economic Development Director: Randi Woerner

Library: Jean Wipf

Main Street: Mary Carter

Police: Chief Reed Merinuk

Public Works: Rich Leidy, Director

Solicitor: James Pierson, Esq.