

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF
MAY 13, 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

Rev. Melvin Bryant of Gethsemane Church of Woodbury 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: Hock, Swanson, Trovato, Lockman, Parker, Carter, Johnson, President Fleming and Mayor Volk

Absent: Tierney

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Lockman, seconded by Councilman Trovato, the minutes of the meeting of April 22, 2014 were approved as submitted. Councilwoman Carter abstained from the vote; all others voted in favor of the motion.

Public for Agenda Items

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

Regarding Bond Ord. 2203-14, Jim Gradwell of 611 Cooper Street stated that \$4,000,000 seems like a lot to spend for Police Station renovations. Councilman Swanson recalled that two years ago when the City considered improvements to the existing Police Station the estimated cost was \$6,000,000. Pres. Fleming said the architect will make a presentation at the next Council meeting.

Hearing no one else, on motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Trovato and unanimously approved the public hearing was closed.

Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports

Finance & Administration

#2203-14 - Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Completion of Various Capital Improvements In and For the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$4,000,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$3,800,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing (Second Reading)

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

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Lockman and unanimously approved the Public Hearing on this ordinance was opened.

Hearing no one, on motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Trovato and unanimously approved the Public Hearing was closed.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker, the ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote:

Ayes	8
Nays	0
Absent	1 (Tierney)

#2204-14 - Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Replacement of Water Mains and the Acquisition of Water and Sewer Utility Capital Equipment in the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$290,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$290,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing (Second Reading)

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

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, and unanimously approved Public Hearing on this ordinance was opened.

Hearing no one, on motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved the Public Hearing was closed.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Trovato, the ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote:

Ayes	8
Nays	0
Absent	1 (Tierney)

#2205-14 - 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 (1st Reading)

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, and unanimously approved the ordinance was approved on first reading and ordered to be advertised according to law, to come up for second reading, public hearing and final adoption at the Regularly scheduled meeting of Mayor and Council on May 27, 2014.

#14-92 - Resolution Authorizing a \$25.00 Charge for Tax Sale Mailings in Lieu of Advertising

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#14-93 - Resolution Approving Standard Operating Procedures and Submitting to NJDOT

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

Vouchers

On motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, and unanimously approved the vouchers as presented and certified were authorized to be paid.

Councilman Swanson announced that the Finance Committee will meet next week.

Public Safety

#14-94 - Resolution Authorizing the Extension of a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Wenonah for the Provision of Fire Official Services

Councilwoman Carter presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

Councilwoman Carter stated she is working closely with the Police Department to establish a Neighborhood Association in North Woodbury.

Public Works/Parks and Recreation

#14-95 - Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 Submitted By Bud Concrete, Inc. For FY 2009 NJDOT Municipal Aid – Woodbury Bikeway – Phase 2

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#14-96 - Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 Submitted by Pioneer Pipe Contractors for Water Main Replacement along Woodbury-Glassboro Road

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

Councilwoman Parker reported that the 2013 street paving is nearly complete and the 2014 paving will begin next month. The Community Gardens Program is going well and very popular; all the plots are spoken for and there is a waiting list.

Economic Development

Councilman Trovato announced that the well-known Del Buono Bakery will be opening a storefront in the White House Building at 39 S Broad Street.

Community Relations

#14-97 - Resolution of the City of Woodbury Approving a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Gloucester for the Provision of Family Entertainment

In Councilwoman Tierney's absence Councilman Johnson presented the above-titled resolution. The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

President Fleming reminded everyone of the Candlelight Memorial on the 25th of May that is being held at the American Legion Post #133 honoring our veterans.

Environmental and Green Acres

Councilman Hock reported on his Committee and the programs they continue to work on such as the Sustainable Jersey Program and Tree Ordinance.

Councilman Hock advised that a resident from Village Green has contacted him regarding a tree on the edge of the lake whose roots are becoming undermined. He and Rich Leidy are looking into a solution to stabilize the bank of the lake in that area and possibly other areas of concern; however it may become more involved than our Public Works can handle. President Fleming mentioned that possibly Green Acres or T.A.P. grants could be used for this purpose.

Community Development

Councilman Johnson attended a recent Main Street Woodbury meeting and met the new Director and President. He also mentioned some of the YMCA's programs, and hopes to rekindle our close relationship with them.

Property

Councilman Lockman referred to 92 Columbia Ave that is in disrepair; he will keep Council advised of this property as well as the others on the list.

Old Business

Councilman Swanson referenced an article in the newspaper that was very positive regarding the King of Steaks business at 22 N Broad Street. More positive news articles are always welcomed.

New Business

President Fleming stated a last minute resolution has been added to the agenda and will be introduced at this time:

#14-98 - Resolution of the City of Woodbury Authorizing the Execution of a Tripartite Developer's Agreement Amongst the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester and Burris Post Acute Network Woodbury, LLC

Councilman Swanson presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Solicitor read the resolution.

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

Reports:

Mayor

Mayor Volk congratulated and wished Deidra Stagliano well on her retirement after 33 years of service with the City of Woodbury in the Construction Office.

The Mayor advised that John Leech will serve as Recreation Coordinator.

Mayor Volk congratulated Westville on their 100th Anniversary festivities and fireworks this weekend.

The Mayor announced that the City received a \$180,000 NJDOT grant which will be used for the E. Red Bank Avenue project between Broad & Evergreen Aves.

Clerk

Mr. Duffield advised that the Financial Disclosure Statements are to be completed on-line by each 'Local Government Officer'. If anyone needs assistance in filling out the form please contact him.

Mr. Duffield reminded everyone that our next Council Meeting will be the "Students in Government" night and all City Council members and officials are invited to

arrive early for refreshments and snacks with a casual introduction of each official with the students. Former Councilwoman Gwendolyn Brown is organizing this event.

Administrator

Mr. Theokas advised that Stephanie Petersen has been hired to work in the Construction Office. Effective May 12 the Construction Office hours of operation will be from Monday thru Thursday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm.

Police

Chief Merinuk reminded everyone that his office will be taking complaints regarding high grass.

Also the Police Department will be conducting the pedestrian safety pathway program again this summer.

Chief Merinuk reminded all residents to secure their vehicles and make sure doors are locked and windows up to prevent any car break-ins.

Economic Development Director

Randi Woerner advised of the following:

1. YMCA – will again be offering summer camps for Woodbury Youth;
2. New owners of White House (39 S Broad) continue to make improvements;
3. SORA is still considering devising a redevelopment plan for Block 122
4. 'Restaurant Guide' of our various eateries has been printed;
5. Memorial Day Candlelight Ceremony on May 25th at Post #133;
6. Calendar of Activities will be posted on website including many of our various Civic Organizations' activities;
7. New summertime banners will decorate Broad Street
8. She has met with Assemblyman Fuentes to discuss needs of our downtown; ;
9. Excess Re-Insurance is planning to open June 1st at 48 N Broad.

City Engineer

Paul Breier gave additional details of the E Red Bank project and NJDOT grant.

Library

Jean Wipf had nothing to report.

Main Street

Director Laurel Zarnosky, Main Street Director introduced their new President Jack McGee. She listed some of their upcoming events, including the Block Party which will be held in the fall this year.

Open to the Public

On motion of Councilman Trovato, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved the Regular Order of Business was suspended and the floor was open to the Public for any items.

John Campbell, Executive Director of the Greater Woodbury Chamber of Commerce, introduced himself and announced all the participants in the next "Dancing with the Stars" fund raiser.

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

Adjournment

There being no further business, on motion of Councilman Swanson, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. DUFFIELD
City Clerk

Other Officials in Attendance

Administrator: Mike Theokas
City Clerk: Roy Duffield
City Engineer: Paul Breier
Economic Development Director: Randi Woerner
Police: Chief Reed Merinuk
Solicitor James Pierson, Esq.
Library Director Jean Wipf