



the only Gloucester County student who was recognized for his essay on City Government. He graciously accepted the Certificate. Anthony was accompanied by his parents.

### **Public Portion for Agenda Items**

On motion of Councilman Fleming, seconded by Councilman Trout, 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 #2163-12 and two items that are being included in the bonding. The first item was the purchase of a fire truck; and the second was repairs to Wood Street and Cooper Street and why there was such a difference. Both questions were addressed.

Jim Boggs, owners of Boggs Auto Rebuilders, asked to address Council regarding Economic Development Director Ronda Abbruzzese. President Tierney advised Mr. Boggs, that this was not an item on the agenda, and asked him to hold his questions until later in the meeting.

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

## **PUBLIC SESSION ON ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **Ordinances**

#### **#2162-12 - Ordinance Amending the Personnel Policies and Procedures of the City of Woodbury (First Reading)**

Councilman Connor presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Connor, seconded by Councilman Louis, and unanimously approved by voice vote the ordinance was placed on first reading, ordered to be advertised according to law, and to come up for public hearing and second and final reading at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Mayor and Council on May 29, 2012.

#### **#2163-12 - 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 \$2,235,000 Therefore; 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 \$2,123,250; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing (First Reading)**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Trout, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the ordinance was placed on first reading, ordered to be advertised according to law, and to come up for public hearing and second and final reading at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Mayor and Council on May 29, 2012.

**#2164-12 - Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Completion of Water and Sewer Improvements in the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester, New Jersey, Appropriating the Sum of \$600,000 Therefore; 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 \$600,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing (First Reading)**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled ordinance.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Trout, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the ordinance was placed on first reading, ordered to be advertised according to law, come up for second and final reading at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Mayor and Council on May 29, 2012.

**Resolutions**

**Finance & Administration**

**#12-100 - Resolution Authorizing the Release of Final Payment and Performance Bond of Perna-Finnigan, Inc. for the Delaware Street – Phase II – Sewer & Water Replacement – Warren to Warner and Acceptance of Maintenance Bond**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

**#12-101 - Resolution Authorizing a Tax Appeal Settlement in the Matter of Consolidated Rail Corporation v. City of Woodbury Tax Court Docket No. 019160-2011, Block 104, Lot 6**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Mr. Duffield explained the background of this tax appeal and why he felt it was in the City's best interest to settle it according to the terms outlined in this resolution.

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

**#12-104 - Resolution Authorizing Cancellations of Balances on Water Sewer Accounts in 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 Councilman Trout, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a voice motion.

**#12-105 - Resolution to Reimburse Tax Payment**

Councilman Louis presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

**Vouchers**

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Trout, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the vouchers as presented and certified were authorized paid.

**Public Safety**

**#12-103 - A Resolution Approving Participation with the State of New Jersey Safe and Secure Communities Program Administered by the Division of Criminal Justice, Department of Law and Public Safety**

Councilman Connor presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

### **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP to FRIENDSHIP FIRE CO.**

Councilman Connor presented two applications for membership to the Friendship Fire Company. Seeing all paperwork in order, on motion of Councilman Connor, seconded by Councilman Trout, the application of David E. Pipolo, 315 Glover Street, Woodbury, NJ, was unanimously approved as submitted.

On motion of Councilman Connor, seconded by Councilman Trout, the application of Anthony F. Corsino, 80 North Girard Street, Woodbury, NJ was also unanimously approved as submitted.

### **Public Works/Utilities**

Councilman Fleming advised that recycling containers will be distributed in the very near future, notices have been sent to the residents advising them. Hopefully, people will be encouraged to be made more aware of recycling.

Mayor Riskie inquired what people do if they need an additional can.

Rich Leidy, Public Works Director, advised that the residents can utilize their own receptacle or contact his office.

### **Economic Development**

Councilman Trout advised that the County Seat Diner recently opened and is doing very well.

### **Personnel**

Councilman Connor had nothing to report for Councilman Sloane's committee.

### **Property Maintenance**

Councilman Lockman had nothing to report.

## **Community Development**

Councilwoman Brown advised that at the June 11th Council Meeting the Students in Government Program will be taking place. Everyone is asked to come early to interact with the students who will be arriving at 5:15 pm.

Also, on May 26th, at 11:00 am at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 414 Mantua Avenue, "Sitting at the Feet of Our Elders" program will be held and Mayor Riskie will be presiding at the program.

Councilwoman Brown introduced Christian G. Schley, who is the Market & Promotions Director for Manna Enterprises.

## **Parks and Recreation/Environmental**

### **#12-102 - Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Asplundh Tree Expert Co. for the Trimming and/or Removal of Trees Within the City of Woodbury**

Councilwoman Carter presented the above-entitled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

## **Reports:**

### **Report of Mayor**

Mayor Riskie welcomed the new County Seat Diner to Woodbury. The Grand Opening was well attended and he encourages everyone to come out and try it.

Also, Woodbury will be having their annual Woodbury Memorial Day Parade; the Grand Marshall will be World War II Veteran Eugene Horan. The Parade will be held on Monday, May 28, 2012 and we encourage everyone to come out to pay homage to all our World War II veterans this year.

The Mayor advised that High School Student Michael D. Saradakis has been awarded a \$1,000 Comcast Scholarship.

Mayor Riskie stated that the Woodbury Jr./Sr. High School is the recipient of the Gaspin Capertin Scholarship Award for \$25,000. Ceremonies will take place in the High School Gym at 9:00 am on June 9th.

The Department of Transportation will be conducting a Public Meeting in Council Chambers on Thursday, May 17th between 4:00 - 7:00 pm to discuss the topic of Channelization along the Broad Street area in Woodbury.

At a recent Mayor's Meeting the main topic of discussion was the dangers of Lyme Disease and some of the steps we can take to prevent contracting it.

The Mayor stated that a ceremony will be held June 8, 2012 to those contributors who donated funds to the Town Clock at the Railroad Station.

### **Report of Clerk**

Mr. Duffield, City Clerk advised that Tuesday May 15 is the last day to register to vote in the June Primary Election.

The City Clerk stated he is happy to report that the new recycling containers were purchased from recycling grant funds and not from tax dollars.

Mr. Duffield also advised that more than 170 tax appeals were filed for 2012. They will be defended by the County Tax Assessor.

### **Public**

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

Mr. Boggs, Past President of the Greater Woodbury Chamber of Commerce, encouraged Council to renew Mrs. Abbruzzese's contract as Economic Development Officer. Since her time involved with the City, he has seen more positive things occur than in many previous years.

Mayor Riskie thanked Mr. Boggs for his comments.

Mr. Anthony Chiesa, 36 Rugby Place, on behalf of his wife, wanted to personally thank all the people who worked on the Arbor Day Celebration, especially Ronda Abbruzzese, and the City workers.

Christian Schley, business owner and operator of Manna Enterprises at 240 S. Broad Street, wanted to introduce himself to Council. He noted that Mrs. Abbruzzese and Mr. Geiger have been extremely helpful in getting his business established. Mr. Schley will also be involved in "Juneteenth" on June 16th and invites everyone out again this year. Next year he will try to get sponsors for this event.

Mrs. Dolores White, previous owner of the White House, came forward to also express her appreciation and support of renewing Mrs. Abbruzzese's Contract. Mrs. White stated that Ronda is extremely thorough, competent and the best thing to happen to Woodbury over the past few years and she would like to see that continue.

Seeing no one else, on motion of Councilman Trout, seconded by Councilwoman Brown, the Public Portion was closed.

There being no further business, on motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Trout, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

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**ROY A. DUFFIELD**  
City Clerk

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Administrator/Deputy Clerk: Karl J. Kinkler

Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law

Economic Development Director: Ronda Abbruzzese

Engineer: James Clancy, PE

Main Street Director: Larry Geiger

Public Works Director: Rich Leidy

Police: Chief Reed Merinuk

Solicitor: Michael Aimino, Esq.

Library Director: Jean Wipf