

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF
May 28, 2013**

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, NJ.

Invocation

President Fleming delivered the Invocation.

Open Public Meeting Statement

The Deputy Administrator stated that due notice had been given to both the public and the press by publication of Resolution #13-05 adopted at the Reorganizational Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 2, 2013.

Roll Call

Present: Tierney, Trout, Swanson, Trovato, Brown, Lockman, Parker, Carter, President Fleming and Mayor Volk

Absent: No One

Minutes

No action taken at this meeting due to the absence of the City Clerk.

President of Council

President Fleming stated that Roy Duffield was not present this evening but will return to the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting.

Council President Fleming thanked Councilwoman Parker, Mayor Volk, Randi Woerner and everyone responsible for the arrangements for the Memorial Day Parade.

Public

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

Hearing no one, 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.

Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports

Finance & Administration

#2181-13 - 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 \$520,000 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 \$446,500; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing (Second reading)

Councilman Trovato presented the above-titled ordinance for adoption.

The Deputy Administrator read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Trovato, seconded by Councilman Trout, and unanimously approved the ordinance was ordered open for Public Hearing.

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

On motion of Councilman Trovato, seconded by Councilman Swanson, the ordinance was placed on final reading and adopted by a roll call vote.

Ayes 9 Tierney, Trout, Swanson, Trovato, Brown, Lockman, Parker, Carter,
Fleming

Nays 0

#2182-13 - Bond Ordinance Authorizing Various Water and Sewer Improvements in the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$500,000 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 \$500,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing (Second Reading)

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The Deputy Administrator read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Trovato, seconded by Councilman Trout, and unanimously approved the ordinance was ordered open for Public Hearing.

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On motion of Councilman Trovato, seconded by Councilman Swanson, the ordinance was placed on final reading and adopted by a roll call vote.

Ayes 9 Tierney, Trout, Swanson, Trovato, Brown, Lockman, Parker, Carter,
Fleming

Nays 0

#2183-13 - An Ordinance Granting a Drainage Easement to the Seniors Housing Development Corporation of Gloucester County Over City Property Identified as Lot 6 in Block 141 on the City of Woodbury Tax Maps

Councilman Trovato presented the above titled ordinance.

The Deputy Administrator read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Trovato, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, and unanimously approved the ordinance was placed on first reading, ordered to be advertised according to law, to come up for final reading and adoption at the next regularly scheduled meeting of June 11, 2013.

#2184-14 - An Ordinance Releasing, Extinguishing and Vacating the Rights of the Public in an Alley Adjacent to South Evergreen Avenue in the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey

Councilman Trovato presented the above titled ordinance.

The Deputy Administrator read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Trovato, seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, and unanimously approved the ordinance was placed on first reading, ordered to be advertised according to law, to come up for final reading and adoption at the next regularly scheduled meeting of June 11, 2013.

#13-115 - Resolution of the City of Woodbury Imposing Lien(s) for Property Maintenance Pursuant to Municipality Code §162-4

Councilman Trovato presented the above titled resolution.

The Deputy Administrator read the title of the ordinance.

Chief of Police explained how this is becoming a significant problem in the City.

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

Vouchers

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

Public Safety

#13-117 – Resolution Authorizing Additional Bus Stops

Councilman Trout presented the above titled resolution.

The Deputy Administrator read the title of the resolution.

Councilman Trout advised of the two locations; one being at Broad Str. and Newton Avenue, and the other would be in front of the Police Station (both going northbound).

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

Public Works/Utilities

Councilman Swanson reported:

- a) Conrail DuPont Train Training will start tomorrow thru June 2, 2012, subj: trains containing chemicals, very informative,
- b) Cooper/Rugby Street work starts next week,
- c) Woodbury-Glassboro Road Project nearing completion in less than 2 weeks,
- d) DPW summer hours start today 6:00 am until 2:00 pm,
- e) Public Works did great job on parade and for all work they did around City Hall,
- f) Delinquent water/sewer amounts still uncollected for 2012 - \$89,000; and for 2013 - \$426,000.00.

Councilman Trovato inquired if legally the city could include some language into future Contracts for a contractor that does not complete a job on time, such as a fine or being taken off future bidders list. He has been receiving complaints regarding the Cooper Street Project. A discussion ensued, no conclusive decision at this time.

Economic Development

#13-116 - Resolution Approving the Extension of an Interlocal Services Agreement as Amended and Now Known as a Shared Service Agreement Between the City of Woodbury and the County of Gloucester for the Participation in the CDBG Grant Program and Home Investment Partnership Programs for Fiscal Years 2014-2016, Inclusive

Councilman Trovato presented the above-entitled resolution.

The Deputy Administrator read the title of the resolution.

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

Parks and Recreation and Community Relations

Councilwoman Parker advised she will be attending meetings with the Boy Scout Troop #7, Community Gardens and Youth Football Organizations and will keep Council posted.

Environmental and Green Acres

Councilwoman Tierney stated the next Green Team Meeting is June 10th, at 8:45 in City Hall.

Community Development

Councilwoman Brown thanked all who attended the Honorary Street Naming for Mrs. Baynard.

Property

Councilman Lockman inquired if the abandoned property on 110 N Evergreen Avenue is being addressed? Chief Merinuk stated it was, however progress is slow.

Councilman Lockman inquired if a speed limit sign could be installed at Mehorter Blvd. and Hendrickson Avenue. Chief Merinuk said he would make arrangements to have the speed trailer out there.

Reports:

Mayor

Mayor Volk addressed the following topics:

- a) Great attendance at the Alberto Baynard Honorary Street Dedication;
- b) May 20, 2013 – Light Rail public comment at the High School
- c) introduced Mike Theokas, newly appointed Administrator who was in the audience.
- d) May 27, 2013 Memorial Day Parade went well; however would like to see more people coming out to support the event.
- e) May 30th will be attending Mayor/Clerk Dinner in Swedesboro at Tavro 13.

Clerk

Mr. Law stated today at the High School was “Kids Going Green” and it was a very successful program for the Fifth Grade Students.

Mr. Law announced that City Engineer was present if anyone had questions.

Economic Development Director

Randi Woerner gave status updates on all the various projects she is currently working on.

Police

Chief Merinuk stated that the recent rash of car break-in’s recently reported in the newspaper, is being addressed and the numbers have decreased in the last three weeks. Unfortunately the article which appeared did not include the decline in numbers.

Main Street Director

Larry Geiger presented the City with a Gold Sponsor Award for their support of Main Street.

He also announced a fundraising event at the Woodbury Train Station being held on June 3rd.

Library

Jean Wipf advised of two summer programs being offered through the Municipal Alliance which will be available to the children.

Open to the Public

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

Chuck Pray , Apt 34 Woodlake Apts., inquired if there is an ordinance to address cleaning up after a dog. There is a area on the sidewalk near the Police Station that is ridden with waste. President Fleming responded that we do have such an ordinance. After some discussion it was determined the area in question was caused by geese droppings.

Ron Wilcox, 250 S. Barber Avenue – advised there will be basketball tournament on Sunday, July 13, 2013 beginning at 9:00 am at Wing Dickerson Park.

On motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilwoman Parker, and unanimously approved the Public Portion was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, on motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilman Trout, and unanimously approved the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. DUFFIELD
City Clerk

Other Officials Present:

Deputy Administrator: Robert Law

City Clerk: Roy Duffield

City Engineer: Paul Brier

Economic Development Director: Randi Woerner

Library Director: Jean Wipf

Main Street Director: Larry Geiger

Police: Chief Reed Merinuk

Public Works: Rich Leidy

Solicitor: James Pierson, Esq.