

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF
JUNE 10, 2014**

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Invocation

Councilwoman Heather Tierney 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, Swanson, Trovato, Lockman, Parker, Carter, Johnson, and Mayor Volk

Absent: Hock, President Fleming

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilwoman Carter , seconded by Councilwoman Tierney, and unanimously approved, the minutes of May 27, 2014, were approved as submitted.

Resolutions, Ordinances and Committee Reports

Finance & Administration

#14-110 - Resolution Providing for the Insertion of Special Items of Revenue in the Budget of the City of Woodbury Pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159, P.L. 1948)

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 resolution was unanimously approved by voice vote.

#14-111 - Resolution Authorizing a Payment Plan on Balances for Water/Sewer Charges for Janice and Allen Harvey, 647 Green Street (Block 125, Lot 38)

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 resolution was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Vouchers

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

Lastly, Mr. Swanson advised that the Emergency Management Office has been busy working with the Police Department due to the seasonal increase in service calls.

Public Safety

Application for Membership to Friendship Fire Co.:

Councilwoman Carter presented an application for membership to the Woodbury Fire Dept. for Michael J. Lynch, 63 Progress Ave., Woodbury, NJ. On motion of Councilwoman Carter, seconded by Councilwoman Parker the application was unanimously approved.

Public Works/Parks and Recreation

#14-112 - Resolution Awarding Contract to American Asphalt Company, Inc. for the Woodbury FY2014 Road Resurfacing Project

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

Councilwoman Tierney inquired which streets are to be paved. City Engineer Paul Breier advised that the list includes Driscoll, Hendrickson, Hemlock, Aberdeen, Glover and part of Lupton Street (from Barber to Glover).

On motion of Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilman Lockman the resolution was unanimously approved by voice vote.

#14-113 - Resolution Awarding Contract to Level-1 Construction, Inc. for the Woodbury FY2014 Water & Sewer Capital Improvements Project – Aberdeen Water Main Replacement

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#14-114 - Resolution Awarding Contract to H.A. DeHart & Son, Inc. for the Purchase of a 2014 Freightliner Model 108SD Truck Cab and Chassis with Camel Model 200 Jet/Vac/Excavator

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#14-115 - Resolution Authorizing New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Aid Federal Aid Change Order #2 for the Woodbury Pedestrian Safety and Wayfinding Signage Project with Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

#14-116 - Resolution Authorizing Change Order to the 2013 Local Road Program Contract with Gerald E. Barrett

Councilwoman Parker presented the above-titled resolution.

The City Clerk read the title of the resolution.

On motion of Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilman Johnson, resolution was approved by voice vote. Councilman Swanson abstained from the vote; all others voted in favor.

Councilwoman Parker reported on the painting of curbs & parking lines along Broad Street, repairs to our street sweeper are nearly completed, the repair of the parking lot behind Pep Boys, mowing of high grass at abandoned properties, She also gave a special “thank-you” to the Public Works Department for helping with cleanups by Girl Scouts and at the Lavery Field clubhouse and on South Barber Ave.

Economic Development

#2206-14 - An Ordinance of the City of Woodbury Amending Chapter 202. Zoning, Article XV. Signs of the Code of the City of Woodbury (Second Reading)

Councilwoman Tierney presented the above-titled ordinance for second reading.
The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

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

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

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

Ayes: Tierney, Swanson, Trovato, Johnson, Lockman, Parker, Carter

Nays: none

Absent: Hock, Fleming

Community Relations

Councilwoman Tierney reported on the success of the recent Memorial Day Candlelight Vigil. Suggestions are being considered to make it an even better event next year.

She also thanked the students and staff that participated in the students in government program and hopes to involve even more students in the future.

Environmental and Green Acres

In Councilman Hock's absence Mrs. Tierney reported on the Green Team's meeting of June 9th. Randi Woerner reported that our Sustainable Jersey application has been submitted.

Community Development

Councilman Johnson advised that he attended the Midget Football meeting last evening. They are in urgent need of funds to purchase new helmets for the team this year. Each helmet costs \$100 and fund raisers and sponsorships are being planned to defray the cost, including a clothing drive on June 27th.

Property

Councilman Lockman advised that his committee is working on revising certain ordinances which will come before Council for consideration.

Public Works

Rich Leidy reported on a sink hole in the basketball court at Rotary Park which his department is currently investigating. There seems to be a corrugated metal drain pipe under it which may be causing the problem.

Economic Development

Randi Woerner gave a brief summary on the following;

- a. Woodbury Country Club was scheduled for settlement today;
- b. New owners of the White House continue to make improvements to the building;
- c. Fireworks will be held on July 5th this year;
- d. New summertime banners will be going up along Broad Street;
- e. Bakery that was to go in the Pretzel shop will be moving to the Carriage House;
- f. Ribbons cuttings for XS Re-Insurance, Hair Salon and Dance Studio;
- g. The next 'Woodbury Wire' newsletter will come out in the fall
- h. A plaque will be placed at the site of the former cemetery on Red Bank Avenue on June 27th at the Inspira Parking Lot
- i. Annual 'Juneteenth' celebration is this Saturday June 14.

Police

Chief Merinuk advised that his department continues to handle complaints regarding properties with high grass, urging all residents to notify his department.

Also, the WPD has conducted a 'directed patrol' for pedestrian safety along Broad Street involving jaywalking, loitering and traffic stopping for pedestrian crosswalks. Violators are being ticketing, arrests have been made and people are starting to pay more attention to the police presence.

City Administrator

Mr. Theokas stated he also instructed Zoning Officer John Leech to report any overgrown grass when he is conducting routine inspections.

Mr. Theokas stated that Tax Collector Lorraine Reeves will conduct the annual Tax Sale tomorrow at City Hall.

Reports:

Mayor

Mayor Volk congratulated Mr. Theokas on the Anniversary of his first year with the City stating that he has done a great job thus far.

Clerk

Mr. Duffield reminded everyone that their Financial Disclosure Statements are due Friday June 13 and he is available to assist anyone if needed.

He also stated that the primary election went well at the new voting locations.

Public

On motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Swanson and unanimously approved, the Regular Order of Business was suspended and the floor was opened to the Public for any items.

Ron Wilcox came before Council to thank them for their continued support of the Basketball Tournament he is planning for July 12th and welcomes everyone out to attend.

Pam Merchant of the Woodbury Steelers Football Team, reiterated Councilman Johnson's remarks regarding fundraising for the purchase of helmets. She also stated that the clubhouse is in desperate need of repairs, especially the electric service and bathrooms. Portable restrooms are currently being utilized.

John Reilly, also affiliated with the Woodbury Steelers Football, commented on the poor condition of the clubhouse.

Hearing no one else, on motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved the public session was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, on motion of Councilwoman Tierney, seconded by Councilwoman Parker and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. DUFFIELD
City Clerk

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT

Administrator: Michael Theokas

Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law

City Clerk: Roy Duffield

City Engineer: Paul Breier

Economic Development Director: Randi Woerner

Police: Chief Reed Merinuk & Captain Tom Ryan

Public Works Manager Rich Leidy

Solicitor: James Pierson, Esq.