

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OF JULY 23, 2012**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Meeting was opened by President Tierney at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance in Council Chambers in Woodbury City Hall.

**Invocation**

The Invocation was delivered by Pastor Rudolph Palmer, Faith Revival Church.

**Open Public Meeting Statement**

The City Clerk stated that due notice had been given to both the public and the press by publication of Resolution #12-05 adopted at the Reorganizational Meeting of Mayor and Council on January 3, 2012.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Carter, Connor, Lockman, Brown, Trout, Louis, President Tierney

**Absent:** Sloane, Fleming, Mayor Riskie

**Minutes**

On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Trout, the minutes of July 9, 2012, were approved as submitted.

**Public**

On motion of Councilman Trout, seconded by Councilman Lockman, 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 Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Trout, the Public Portion was closed and the Regular Order of Business was resumed.

**Swearing -In of Patrolman**

Council President Tierney dispensed with the regular order of business and asked Mr. Conner to introduce Resolutions #12-127 and 12-128.

**Resolution # 12-127 - Resolution to Hire and Appoint a Patrolman 5th Class for the City of Woodbury Police Department** (David Paul)

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 adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolution #12-128 - Resolution to Hire and Appoint a Patrolman 5<sup>th</sup> Class for the City of Woodbury Police Department** (Carl Villone, Jr.)

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 adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**City Clerk Administers the Oath of Office**

City Clerk, Roy Duffield swears-in Patrolman David Paul and Patrolman Carl Villone, Jr.

President Tierney welcomes the two newly-appointed officers as well as the Council Members.

Chief Reed Merinuk stated that these two officers will be an asset to the Woodbury Police Department and welcomes them on board. The newly appointed officers introduced family members and friends in attendance.

There was a two minutes recess.

**JIF SAFETY PRESENTATION**

President Tierney introduces Mr. David Strout, City's Risk Management Consultant and Paul Miola from Tri-Co JIF (Joint Insurance Fund).

Mr. Miola further discussed some of the financial savings and also some of the benefits that will be offered by staying with the JIF Program. One of the reasons the City benefits from belonging to the JIF program is the efforts of the personnel who make up our Safety Committee, Captain Tim Sheehan and Robert Law.

Mr. Strout also thanked Captain Sheehan and Bob Law, for all their input in helping to see that the City works so closely with the JIF Incentives offered, which directly affect saving the City money.

**Ordinances**

**#2167-12 - An Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Dealers in Precious Metals, Gem and Gemstones**

Councilman Connor presented the above-entitled ordinance for first reading.

The City Clerk read the title of the ordinance.

On motion of Councilman Connor, seconded by Councilman Louis, the ordinance was placed on first reading, and ordered to be published according to law and to come up for public hearing and final reading at the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of August 13, 2012. The motion was unanimously adopted by voice vote.

President Tierney thanked Lt. Cope for his work on the ordinance. The Prosecutors Office advised that by adopting this ordinance, the City can possibly avoid some of the problems other towns have been experiencing with these types of businesses.

## **Resolutions**

### **Finance & Administration**

#### **Resolution #12-123 - Resolution to Extend Grace Period on Third Quarter 2012 Property Taxes (August) As Per N.J.S.A. 54:4-67**

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 vote.

#### **Resolution #12-124 - 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 vote.

#### **Resolution #12-125 - Resolution to Authorize Tax Exemption, Cancel Taxes and Refund Payment for a Disabled Veteran** (Rutter)

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 vote.

#### **Resolution #12-126 - Resolution Approving an Application for the FY 2013 NJDOT Transportation Enhancement Program**

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 vote.

#### **Resolution #12-129 - Resolution to Award Contract for the Cooper Street Storm Sewer Replacement Rugby to Golf Drive Project**

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 vote.

#### **Resolution #12-130 - Resolution Declaring an Emergency Situation and Ratifying Expenditures and Awarding of Work Re: Route 45 Water Main Emergency Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6**

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 vote.

### **Vouchers**

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

Councilman Louis reflected on the tragedy experienced by the residents of Colorado in the recent shootings at a movie theater.

### **Public Safety**

#### **Resolution #12-122 - Resolution Authorizing Submission of Application for Funding from the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Through the Gloucester County Municipal Alliance Program**

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 vote.

### **Public Works/Utilities**

In Councilman Fleming's absence, Councilman Louis had nothing to report for this Committee.

### **Economic Development**

Councilman Trout advised that we should start to see some activity at the site of the G. G. Green Building, since the project has been granted approval for their tax credits.

Also, Councilman Trout stated that all applications received for the Economic Development Director vacancy will be reviewed by the Economic Development Committee and Council will be made aware of their suggested recommendations.

### **Personnel**

In Councilman Sloane's absence, Councilman Connor had nothing to report for this Committee.

### **Property Maintenance**

Councilman Lockman had nothing to report.

### **Community Development**

Councilwoman Brown thanked the Mayor for signing the Letter of Support to the Cornerstone 2000 for their grant application, as they requested at our last meeting.

Councilwoman Brown advised she received a letter from the Attorney General's Office dated June 11, 2012 regarding the Woodbury Arts Council. She would like to have Mr. Kinkler see to it that the proper person receives this information.

### **Parks and Recreation/Environmental**

Councilwoman Carter had nothing to report.

### **Reports**

#### **Mayor**

Mayor Riskie was not present this evening.

#### **Clerk**

Mr. Duffield advised that a resident contacted him today to express his displeasure with the condition of the Woodbury Country Club property.

### **Administrator**

Mr. Kinkler requested authorization to have the City Engineer go out to bid for Overlaying Cooper Street from Evergreen to the City Line. On motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Connor, the City Engineer was authorized to draw up specifications for the Overlay of Cooper Street, just as soon as the Storm Sewer Project is completed. Mr. Law advised that funds are available to accommodate this request.

### **Public**

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

Anthony Chiesa, 36 Rugby Place, was happy to see that the sewer project has been addressed; however if Council is considering doing an overlay on Cooper, could they include Rugby Place with this project. President Tierney stated that the Cooper Street Overlay was being financed with money appropriated for the Storm Sewer Replacement along Cooper Street. There is another list of streets which will be addressed and they could possibly consider doing Rugby Place at that time.

Mr. Kinkler stated that given the close proximity of Rugby Place to Cooper Street, it may be feasible to look into the request.

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

There being no further business, on motion of Councilman Louis, seconded by Councilman Connor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

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**ROY A. DUFFIELD**

City Clerk

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Administrator/Deputy Clerk: Karl Kinkler

Chief Financial Officer: Robert Law

City Engineer: James Clancy, PE

Emergency Mgmt. Officer: Lieutenant S. Cope

Police: Chief Reed Merinuk

Captain T. Sheehan

Public Works Dept: Rich Leidy, Director

Bill Lynch, Supervisor

Solicitor: Michael Aimino, Esq.