

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
APRIL 17, 2013 7:30 P.M.

In the absence of Mayor Harry W. Elton, Jr., Council President Cara Witasick called the meeting to order with the following note: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of meetings for 2013 which was faxed and mailed to the Gloucester County Times and Courier Post on January 9, 2013 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

Councilwoman Witasick led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The call of roll showed the following to be present: Councilman William Packer, Councilman Harold "Hap" Pye, Councilman Duane Pheasant, Councilwoman Debra Truhan and Councilman Eshia "Jake" Jacob and Councilwoman Cara Witasick. Absent was Mayor Harry W. Elton, Jr. Also in attendance were Borough Solicitor Barry N. Lozuke, Borough Engineer Mark Brunermer, Borough Auditor Michael Welding, Vikki Holmstrom, CMFO and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator.

PROCLAMATIONS: Councilwoman Witasick noted that the recipients of the proclamations were not present this evening.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting February 20, 2013 was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call went as follows:

Packer	yes
Pye	yes
Pheasant	yes
Truhan	abstain
Jacob	yes
Witasick	yes

The minutes were approved.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting March 20, 2013 was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote went as follows:

Packer	yes
Pye	yes
Pheasant	yes
Truhan	abstain
Jacob	yes
Witasick	yes

The minutes were approved.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Borough Clerk reported total receipts in the amount of \$3,408.18. Of this amount, \$3,330.38 was turned over to the Treasurer and \$73.00 was deposited into the Dog Fund.

PUBLIC PORTION: Councilwoman Witasick opened the meeting to the public for question or comment.

Faye Triantafillou, Vanderbilt Avenue: asked if she may schedule a town wide yard sale. Discussion ensued.

Public Portion (continued)

Ann Smith, Glassboro Road: Mrs. Smith asked if anyone knew about or authorized the recent tree removal at the Lake. Mr. Middleton stated that the tree removal has taken place over a two year period and that the trees were removed due to safety issues such as broken, damaged or intrusion into the utility system. Discussion ensued regarding the number of trees taken down and notification to the Lake Association.

Upon hearing no additional questions or comments, Councilwoman Witasick closed the public portion of the meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mark Brunermer reported that work is being finalized with the contractor on Lake Avenue.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

ORDINANCES FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 6 -2013

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S. 40A:4-45.14)

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 6-2013 by title only. Councilwoman Witasick opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, closed same. A motion to approve Ordinance 6-2013 was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Packer. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 6-2013 was approved.

ORDINANCE 7-2013

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF SITE REMEDIATION FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$30,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$28,500; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 7-2013 by title only. Councilwoman Witasick opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, closed same. A motion to approve Ordinance 7-2013 was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 7-2013 was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 67 – 2013

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN EMPLOYEE WELLNESS POLICY

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 67-2013 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Pheasant. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 67-2013 was approved. Janet Pizzi was appointed Wellness Coordinator for the Borough of Woodbury Heights.

Resolutions (continued)

RESOLUTION 68 – 2013

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENT

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 68-2013 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Packer. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 68-2013 was approved.

RESOLUTION 69 – 2013

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENT

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 69-2013 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Packer. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 69-2013 was approved.

RESOLUTION 70- 2013

RESOLUTION TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 70-2013 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 70-2013 was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING - 2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET: Vikki Holmstrom, CMFO stated that the impact of this budget on the taxes for the average homeowner of a home assessed at \$177,890 would be an increase of \$88.37 in municipal taxes. Councilman Packer added that everyone needs to be diligent with future budgets.

Councilwoman Witasick opened the public hearing for the 2013 Municipal Budget

Shelly Bronum, Glassboro Road asked about the cost of the Lake treatment. Councilman Packer stated \$11,700. She noted that a study shows that the treatment does not work and recommends underground sonar to treat the Lake. Discussion ensued.

Beth Lukas, Glassboro Road, asked what the rate per \$100 of assessed value would be. Vikki Holmstrom replied the local rate would be \$1.02.

Upon hearing no additional questions or comments, Councilwoman Witasick closed the public hearing for the 2013 Municipal Budget.

RESOLUTION 71-2013

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 71-2013 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilwoman Truhan. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 71-2013 was approved.

RESOLUTION 72-2013

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR 2013

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 72-2013 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Pheasant. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 72-2013 was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance and Administration: Councilman Packer noted that the Borough's bond counsel was able to renegotiate the sale of special emergency notes with East Brunswick Township at a rate of 1.27%. His report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Streets and Road: Councilman Pye reported that the roads department will start working on potholes. Public Works has done a good job cleaning up the yard and working on the fields.

Public Safety: Councilman Pheasant presented his report for the Police and Fire Departments. A copy of the Police Department report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Water and Sewer: Councilwoman Truhan reported that our Fire Chief, Robbie Conley will participate in the Gloucester County Dancing with the Stars. Due to an incident involving a school safety, the Police Department will resume participation in the School Safety Program.

Recreation and Civic: Councilman Jacob reported that Opening Day was held on April 6. There will be no Senior Citizen meetings in July and August. National Day of Prayer Ceremony will be held on May 2 at Veterans Park. Movie night will be held Friday, August 2 at the Community Center. The scheduled movie is Transylvania.

BILL LIST: A motion to approve the bill list as presented this evening was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Packer. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The bill list was approved.

PUBLIC PORTION: Councilwoman Witasick opened the public portion of the meeting for question or comment.

Beth Lukas, Glassboro Road, Mrs. Lukas asked when the City of Woodbury plans to repave Glassboro Road. Mark Brunermer responded that he heard it would be done late April or early May. County representative Hal Spence will look into it tomorrow.

Public Works Director Rick Middleton noted that a household special waste collection will be held this Saturday at the County facility.

Beth Lukas, Glassboro Road, asked if there will be another Borough shredding event. Mr. Spence stated that the County will be having one on June 15 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.

Upon hearing no additional questions or comments, Councilwoman Witasick closed the public portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Pye. All of Council agreed. The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator