

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
MAY 21, 2014 7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Harry W. Elton, Jr. called the meeting to order with the following note: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of meetings for 2014 which was faxed to the South Jersey Times and Courier Post on January 6, 2014 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

Mayor Elton led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The call of roll showed the following to be present: Councilman William Packer, Councilwoman Cara Witasick, Councilman Duane Pheasant, Councilman Eshia "Jake" Jacob. Also in attendance were Borough Solicitor Barry Lozuke, Borough Engineer Mark Brunermer and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator. Absent were Councilman Harold "Hap" Pye and Councilwoman Debra Truhan.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 16, 2014 was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

The Borough Clerk reported for the month of April 2014 total receipts in the amount of \$259.83. Of this amount, \$169.00 was deposited into the Dog Fund and \$28.23 was turned over to the Treasurer.

Mayor Elton opened the public portion of the meeting for questions or comments and upon hearing none, closed same.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mr. Brunermer reported that the contractor will finish the Lake Avenue Reconstruction paving on May 27. Striping will follow. The Public Safety Annex step repair project is scheduled to begin on June 2.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

**ORDINANCES
FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION**

ORDINANCE 3-2014

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A TRASH TRUCK FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$215,000 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 \$147,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 3-2014 by title only. A motion to approve this ordinance on introduction was made by Councilman Jacob and seconded by Councilman Pheasant. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 3-2014 was approved on first reading.

RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Elton requested that all of the Resolutions be read for Council's consideration at one time. Hearing no objection by Council, Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 58-2014 through and inclusive of Resolution 62-2014 by title only. A motion to approve all of the Resolutions was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 58-2014 through and inclusive of Resolution 62-2014 were approved.

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RESOLUTION 58-2014

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.M. 1948)

RESOLUTION 59 -2014

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF FIREFIGHTER PROTECTIVE GEAR

RESOLUTION 60 - 2014

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.M. 1948)

RESOLUTION 61 – 2014

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENT

RESOLUTION 62 - 2014

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS REQUESTING REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF A MUNICIPAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND SPENDING PLAN

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Administration: Councilman Packer reported that the 2014 Municipal Budget was adopted. Projects such as the trash truck are moving along. Moody's has upgraded the Borough's credit rating.

Property & Insurance: Councilwoman Witasick reported that she and the CMFO met with Athletic Association board members regarding repairs to the clubhouse bathrooms. Also, Councilwoman Witasick noted that port-a-potties will be available on Helen Avenue. Public works will be installing curb stops outside of Borough Hall.

Public Safety: Councilman Pheasant reported that the fire house building project is moving along and making good progress. The Police Department report was presented. A copy of this report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Recreation and Civic: Councilman Jacob reported that a representative from Social Security who is the District Manager from Trenton met with our Senior Citizens Association. The Senior Citizens' luncheon will be held on June 9. The Memorial Day Ceremony will be held this Saturday at 11 a.m. in Veterans' Park. Officer Gambale received the last piece of steel from the Twin Towers for our 9-1-1 Memorial.

Mayor Elton shared some of the preliminary ideas for next year's Anniversary Celebration. He also discussed a meeting held with the representatives of the Light Line Alignment Project who need to conduct a preliminary environmental study and require access through Veterans' Park. Project is scheduled for 2017.

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

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PUBLIC PORTION

Mayor Elton opened the public portion of the meeting for questions or comments.

Peggy Brown, Brooklawn Avenue advised that the debris at the Mamco site is piling up. Mayor Elton stated that he believes they have to clean up the site and thanked Ms. Brown for bringing this to his attention.

Anthony Ilisco, Alliance Street advised that there are problems with the wooden fence installed by LA Fitness. He stated that it is infested with rodents. Mr. Ilisco also asked if the proposal to fund low income housing was a tax increase. Solicitor Lozuke replied “no”, that development fees are state wide imposed upon at time of an application for a building permit. Discussion ensued.

Upon hearing no additional questions or comments, Mayor Elton closed the public portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Pheasant and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. All of Council agreed. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator