

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
NOVEMBER 23, 2010 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 2010 which was faxed and mailed to the Gloucester County Times and Courier Post on January 4, 2010 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 Brett D. Scull, Councilwoman Debra Truhan and Councilman Eshia "Jake" Jacob. Absent were Councilwoman Susan S. Degnen, Councilman Harold "HAP" Pye and Councilman Duane Pheasant. Also in attendance were Borough Solicitor Brian Lozuke, William Mesogianes of Sickels & Associates and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting 10-20-2010 was made by Councilman Scull and seconded by Councilwoman Truhan. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous.

For the month of October 2010, the Borough Clerk reported total receipts in the amount of \$266.93. Of this amount, \$265.93 was turned over to the Treasurer and \$1.00 was deposited into the Dog Fund.

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

Walter Lasauskas, Ivy Drive: Mr. Lasauskas asked for any updates on the COAH Building and the conversion law. Mayor Elton responded that there is nothing to report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: William Mesogianes of Sickels & Associates reported that the interior walls of the Community Building were completed today and the exterior will be complete by Monday. The rough plumbing is scheduled to begin on Monday and the floors, etc. thereafter.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

ORDINANCES

FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 19 - 2010

ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION 3-32.5(B) OF THE WOODBURY HEIGHTS CODE PERTAINING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ADMINISTRATOR

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 19-2010 by title only. Mayor Elton opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, closed same. A motion to approve Ordinance 19-2010 on final reading was made by Councilman Scull and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 19-2010 was approved.

ORDINANCE 20 - 2010

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS IDENTIFYING POSITIONS ELIGIBLE FOR THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 20-2010 by title only. Mayor Elton opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, closed same. A motion to approve Ordinance 20-2010 on final reading was made by Councilman Scull and seconded by Councilwoman Truhan. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 20-2010 was approved.

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ORDINANCE 21 - 2010

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES FOR TAX COLLECTOR CALCULATIONS OF REDEMPTIONS OF CERTIFICATES AND REDEMPTION OF TAX LIENS

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 21-2010 by title only. Mayor Elton opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, closed same. A motion to approve Ordinance 21-2010 on final reading was made by Councilman Scull and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 21-2010 was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 106 – 2010

RESOLUTION APPOINTING PRESENTING ATTORNEY AND HEARING OFFICER FOR A POLICE DISCIPLINARY HEARING

RESOLUTION 114 - 2010

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO.4 FOR THE FIRE HOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT

RESOLUTION 115-2010

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX PAYMENT

RESOLUTION 116-2010

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION 117-2010

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF AUDIT

RESOLUTION 119-2010 (Add-On)

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR TRANSFER OF 2010 BUDGET APPROPRIATION

Upon request of Council, Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 106-2010, and Resolution 114-2010 through and inclusive of Resolution 117-2010 and Resolution 119-2010 by title only. A motion to approve these Resolutions was made by Councilwoman Truhan and seconded by Councilman Scull. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 106-2010, Resolution 114-2010, Resolution 115-2010, Resolution 116-2010, Resolution 117-2010 and Resolution 119-2010 were approved.

RESOLUTION 118 - 2010

RESOLUTION EXCLUDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITHIN A PORTION OF A MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL PURSUANT TO NJSA 10:4-12

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 118-2010 by title only. The closed session pertains to NJ Tax Court Appeals litigation. A motion to approve Resolution 118-2010 was made by Councilman Scull and seconded by Councilwoman Truhan. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 118-2010 was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Administration: Councilman Scull reported that the tax collection rate as of November 23, 2010 is 96.047%. Councilman Scull will be reviewing the tax sale list prior to it going out.

Mayor Elton reported on behalf of Councilwoman Degnen that this year's JIF dividend is \$7227.00. An Elected Officials Seminar will be held on November 30, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at Nicolosi's. The Heights Highlights deadline for submission is December 04, 2010.

COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED

Water & Sewer: Councilwoman Truhan reported that the Water & Report will be on file in the Clerk's office. Due to the continuous in house and formal training, the Public Works employees are able to diagnose and complete the necessary repairs to the pumps at the Borough sewer stations. Discussion ensued regarding the savings on infiltration which has far exceeded what was anticipated also due to the in house work by Public Works.

Recreation & Civic: Councilman Jacob reported that 417 people showed up for flu shots at the Woodbury Heights Elementary School. The Veteran's Memorial Service was very successful with 250 people in attendance. A Mayoral Proclamation was presented to Angelo Romeo, Gloucester County Veterans' Affairs Director who will retire at the end of this year. Councilman Jacob thanked Infant Jesus Parish, New Beginnings Church, Congressman Andrews, Wilma Belcher for her volunteer work and all of those in attendance.

A motion to request the Solicitor to prepare a Resolution to add Veteran's Way to West Jersey Avenue in Woodbury Heights was made by Councilman Jacob and seconded by Councilman Scull. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous.

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

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

Wilma Belcher, Lake Avenue: Mrs. Belcher advised Mayor and Council that the picture in the Gloucester County Times of our Veterans Day Ceremony was labeled "Woodbury" not "Woodbury Heights". She contacted the Gloucester County Times for a correction.

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

Mayor Elton informed the public that the Governing Body will now go into closed session and as soon as it is ended, they will return to open session to adjourn. Immediately following, Mayor and Council will hold a Board of Health Special Meeting to consider a Resolution to appoint Jolyn Gregoria as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics. Members of the public are welcome to return to the open session and to the Board of Health Special Meeting.

The Mayor and Council went into closed session at 8:00 p.m. and returned to open session at 8:10 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Scull and seconded by Councilwoman Truhan. All of Council agreed. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator