

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
DECEMBER 21, 2016 7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Robbie J. Conley called the meeting to order with the following note: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of meetings for 2016 which was faxed to the South Jersey Times and Courier Post on January 2, 2016 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Conley led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: The call of roll showed the following to be present: Councilman Robert Yerka, Councilwoman Cara Witasick, Councilman Harold "Hap" Pye, Councilman William Packer, Councilman Richard Gambale and Councilman Eshia "Jake" Jacob. Also in attendance were Borough Solicitor Brian Lozuke, Borough Engineer Mark Brunermer and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator.

VERIZON PRESENTATION: William Flanagan, Tilson Tech. Mgmt., Inc. advised the Governing Body that Verizon would like to install wireless boosters to improve coverage and capacity to transport data. This installation requires consent by the Borough to operate in the ROW. Solicitor Lozuke asked Mr. Flanagan how many nodes would be installed and he replied 6 or less. Councilman Jacob asked if they will interfere with Police and Fire radios and Mr. Flanagan replied that they do not interfere. Mayor Conley asked if they contain lightning suppressors and Mr. Flanagan stated that he could not confirm that but will follow up. Mr. Brunermer requested insurance information and also notification as to when the installation will begin. A packet with sample photos of wireless telecommunications small network nodes was distributed to Mayor and Council.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting November 22, 2016 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk read into the record the following Qualification Statement for Professional Services of the Request for Qualifications held on December 01, 2016 at 11:00 A.M.:

MUNICIPAL SOLICITOR: BRIAN LOZUKE, ESQ., MATTLEMAN, WEINROTH & MILLER, P.C.

MUNICIPAL AUDITOR: MICHAEL WELDING, BOWMAN & CO.

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER: MARK BRUNERMER, SICKELS & ASSOCIATES

MUNICIPAL BOND COUNSEL: PARKER MCCAY

LATE SUBMISSION: WATERS, MCPHERSON, MCNEILL,
JASON P. CAPIZZI, ESQ. (REC'D 12:30 P.M. ON
DECEMBER 01, 2016)

MUNICIPAL LABOR COUNSEL: BROWN & CONNERY, LLP

PLANNING/ZONING ATTORNEY: B. MICHAEL BORELLI

PLANNING/ZONING PLANNER: TIFFANY CUVIELLO

INSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT: HARDENBERGH INSURANCE

CONFLICT MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY: NO SUBMISSION

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

Nicholas Danze, Central Avenue: Mr. Danze advised that the large bush at the corner of Third & Elm Avenues prevents cars from seeing traffic. Mr. Brunermer will follow up. Councilman Gambale stated that he spoke to the homeowner who stated he will trim it. Mr. Danze next requested speed humps for Central Avenue. Mayor Conley advised that he will discuss this with the Borough Engineer.

Ed Majewski, Central Avenue: Mr. Majewski requested that the 4'x4' hole on Central Avenue be filled. Councilman Pye informed him that it is marked out and will be done soon.

Upon hearing no additional questions or comments, a motion to close the public portion was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Jacob. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mr. Brunermer reported that the 2016 Road Program is coming to a close. Also pressure testing the force main revealed that it is buried in concrete. The Well #2 Project is still at NJDEP. A motion to approve the Proposal for Professional Services-2017 NJDOT Municipal Roadway State Aid Application was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The Proposal was approved.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

ORDINANCES FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 15-2016

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF VARIOUS BOROUGH OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 15-2016 by title only. Mayor Conley opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 15-2016 was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 15-2016 was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon request of Mayor Conley, a motion to approve Resolutions 101-2016 through and inclusive of Resolution 109-2016 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolutions 101-2016 through and inclusive of Resolution 109-2016 were approved.

RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)

RESOLUTION 101-2016

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS OF 2016 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

RESOLUTION 102-2016

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL VEHICLE

RESOLUTION 103-2016

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR IT CONSULTING SERVICES

RESOLUTION 104-2016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASES FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION 105-2016

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF MAINTENANCE BOND FOR MCDONALD'S PROJECT AT BLOCK 28, LOTS 1, 2.01, 2.02 & 2.03

RESOLUTION 106-2016

RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTIAL PAYMENT NO. 1 FOR THE ROUTE 45 PUMPING STATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

RESOLUTION 107-2016

RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT NO. 5 FOR THE 2016 ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM PROJECT

RESOLUTION 108-2016

RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT NO. 2 FOR THE BROOKLAWN DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ROAD PROJECT

RESOLUTION 109-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL ADOPTING THE MITIGATION PLAN FOR FOUR NEW JERSEY COUNTIES

Solicitor Lozuke advised Mayor and Council that today he attended a mandatory pre-trial conference with Judge McDonald. To share in the cost of the upcoming COAH trial it was suggested by Jeffrey Surenian and Solicitor Lozuke agrees, that the Borough join the trial consortium to dispute 172 units, for instead, 55 units as countered by the Borough Planner, Tiffany CuvIELLO. A consensus of the Governing Body was requested and Mayor Conley stated that he agrees joining is the best direction for the Borough and noted that the Borough can drop out at any time. All of Council agreed to join the trial consortium.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety: Councilman Yerka thanked the Police and Fire Departments for a good year and presented the monthly reports which will be on file in the Clerk's office. Councilman Yerka also stated that he attended the incident Command System 402 training class for elected officials on December 7.

COMMITTEES (CONTINUED)

Water/Sewer: Councilwoman Witasick noted that 4th quarter bills were delinquent on November 20 and delinquent notices went out on December 5. A copy of her report will be on file in the Clerk's office. Councilwoman Witasick thanked the Public Works Department for a great year.

Streets & Roads: Councilman Pye reported that leaf season is over and the public works department is getting ready for snow season. He thanked the Public Works Department for a great year.

Finance & Administration: Councilman Packer reported that all budgets look good. 2017 will have a very bold road program and utility issues to deal with as well.

Property: Councilman Gambale provided a status update on various issues within the Borough. Mayor Conley stated that the Borough needs to cite and fine the property maintenance violators and requested the Property Maintenance Liaison to follow up with Deptford Township on the issues noted by Councilman Gambale. The Borough Hall new windows will be in on January 3, 2017 and installation will take approximately 5-7 days. The Clerk reminded Councilman Gambale that Reorganization will be held in Borough Hall on January 7. Councilman Gambale thanked the Police and Fire Departments and Councilman Jacob for the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Recreation & Civic; Councilman Jacob reported that 339 people were in attendance at this year's Tree Lighting Ceremony. He also stated that 228 children received gifts from Santa. Councilman Jacob thanked the Fire Department for providing more food for the event as they were running out.

Mayor Conley reported that Starbucks is moving forward in Woodbury Heights with the newest model being constructed. A housing project is coming to Planning Board. Reorganization will be held on January 7 at 11:00 a.m. here at Borough Hall. The new fire truck purchase is in progress. A letter from the County came in regarding taking over the Borough ambulance service. The Woodbury Heights Fire Department Chief has assured the Mayor that they can continue to provide this service.

BILL LIST: A motion to approve the bill list as presented 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 : Mayor Conley opened the public portion for questions or comments and upon hearing none, a motion to close the public portion was made by

Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: a motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Jacob. All of Council agreed. The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator