REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
AUGUST 16, 2017 7:30 P.M.

In the absence of Mayor Robbie Conley, Council President Richard Gambale called the meeting to order with the following note: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of meetings for 2017 which was faxed to the South Jersey Times and Courier Post on January 9, 2017 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

Councilman Gambale led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting July 19, 2017 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Packer. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

PUBLIC PORTION: Councilman Gambale opened the public portion for questions or comments.

Bob Morison, Beech Avenue: Mr. Morison asked for an update regarding the police department and Councilman Pye replied that there is nothing new to report.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mr. Brunermer reported that the Route 45 Project and the West Jersey Avenue Phase I Projects are wrapping up. West Jersey Phase II was just surveyed last week and should go up to the DOT sometime in the beginning of September. The concrete work on Helen Avenue will be starting next Wednesday and the following Wednesday will be the asphalt work. Helen Avenue and Third Street will be complete before Gateway Regional High School opens. Councilman Packer asked about the speed humps on Helen Avenue and Mr. Brunermer replied that they will be replaced after discussion with the Police Chief, Emergency Response and the school. The DOT roadways and bike paths application is due October 6 and Mr. Brunermer requested recommendations be made at the next regular Council meeting. Mr. Brunermer reported that he reached out to the county engineers regarding the feasibility for a joint DOT application for curbs, to replace sidewalks and to install streetlights along Elm Avenue. Councilman Packer asked about the pump station project and Mr. Brunermer replied that it is complete, and the well project will go out to bid soon with an estimated start date of mid-summer 2018.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

ORDINANCES

FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 7-2017

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WELL NO. 2 IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF $188,000 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 $188,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 7-2017 by title only. Councilman Gambale opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Yerka. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 7-2017 on final reading was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Yerka. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 7-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 72 -2017

A RESOLUTION EXEMPTING TAXES FOR DISABLED VETERAN

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 72-2017 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 72-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTION 73-2017

RESOLUTION TERMINATING EMPLOYMENT OF KATHRYN PIERSON

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 73-2017 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 73-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTION 74-2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF WATER OVERPAYMENT

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 74-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 74-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTION 75 – 2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF ESCROW ACCOUNT BALANCE

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 75-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this

RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)

RESOLUTION 77-2017
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1
RECONSTRUCTION OF WEST JERSEY AVENUE
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 77-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Jacob A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 77-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTION 78 -2017
RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT NO. 1 RECONSTRUCTION OF WEST JERSEY AVENUE
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 78-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 78-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTION 79-2017
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AND APPROVING PERFORMANCE SURETY ESTIMATE AND INSPECTION ESCROW FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT BLOCK 40.05, LOT 10
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 79-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 79-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTION 80-2017
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE AND BOND FOR THE ROUTE 45 PUMPING STATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 80-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Jacob and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 80-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTION 81-2017
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE AND BOND FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WEST JERSEY AVENUE
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 81-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 81-2017 was approved.

To avoid a conflict of interest, Council President Gambale recused himself for consideration of Resolution 82-2017 through and inclusive of Resolution 84-2017. Councilman Packer took over as Presiding Officer.

RESOLUTION 82 -2017
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.L. 1948)
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 82-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 82-2017 was approved.

RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)

RESOLUTION 84-2017

RESOLUTION APPOINTING OFFICER-IN-CHARGE

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 84-2017 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 84-2017 was approved. Councilman Yerka explained the process of filling the vacancy created by the retirement of Chief Lindsay. He congratulated Officer Richard Gambale. Officer Gambale thanked Council for his appointment to the position of Officer in Charge. Councilman Pye congratulated Officer Gambale.

Council President Richard Gambale resumed as Presiding Officer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety: Councilman Yerka presented the Police Department Report. A copy will be filed in the Clerk's office. No Fire Department report was filed but the Deputy Chief Edgar Seibert stated that the new air packs came in yesterday and there will be a hoagie sale on Saturday.

Water & Sewer: Councilwoman Witasick presented the utility report and reminded everyone that the new post card bills will be out soon. The August shut offs have been postponed. The water/sewer report was presented. A copy of these reports will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Streets & Roads: Councilman Pye reported that the 2017 Road Program is starting. Trees are being pruned back and storm drains are clean.

Finance & Administration: Councilman Packer presented the finance report. A copy will be on file in the Clerk's Office. Upon the recommendation of the CFO, a motion was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Pye to participate in the South Jersey Power Cooperative for Natural Gas Bid. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Motion passed.

Recreation & Civic: Councilman Jacob reported on a veteran's income tax credit benefit, and legislation pertaining to a maximum driving time limit for truck drivers. The Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. on Veterans Day. Volunteers are needed to help with the Patriots Day Ceremony.

Property & Environmental: Councilman Gambale provided a property update and noted that banks are starting to sell some of the vacant properties in town.

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

PUBLIC PORTION: Councilman Gambale 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. A roll call vote in