

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
NOVEMBER 20, 2018 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 2018 which was faxed to the South Jersey Times and Courier Post on January 6, 2018 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the “Open Public Meetings Act”.

Mayor Conley led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting October 17, 2018 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote went as follows:

Yerka	abstain
Pye	yes
Packer	yes
Gambale	yes

The minutes were approved.

Mayor Conley requested that Council consider Resolution 115-2018.

RESOLUTION 115-2018
RESOLUTION APPOINTING TWO (2) CLASS II SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 115-2018 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 115-2018 was approved.

OATHS OF OFFICE: Mayor Conley administered the Oath of Office to Justin J. Turino and Michael P. Martz, Jr. Chief Moline advised that Special Officer Michael Hatton has resigned and welcomed the new Special Officers to the Borough of Woodbury Heights.

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 Councilman Packer. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

ENGINEER’S REPORT: Mark Brunermer advised that contractors are working on final stages of electric for both well no. 1 and no. 2 for communication data. Contractors will need to come back to finish work on West Jersey Avenue. Also, weather permitting, contractors will be going to Central Avenue to install handicap ramps.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

ORDINANCES
FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE 12-2018

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$32,000 TO BE USED FOR THE PURCHASE OF TECHNOLOGY EDQUIPMENT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 12-2018 by title only. A motion to approve this ordinance on first reading was made by Councilman Yerka and seconded by Councilman Packer. A roll call vote was unanimous. Ordinance 112-2018 was approved on first reading.

RESOLUTIONS

Solicitor Lozuke stated that upon discussion with the Borough Engineer, Resolution 111-2018 needs to be tabled until the December Regular Council Meeting.

RESOLUTION 111-2018
(TABLED TO DECEMBER REGULAR MEETING)
RESOLUTION APPROVING PERFORMANCE SURETY ESTIMATE AND INSPECTION ESCROW FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT BLOCK 96, LOT 17

RESOLUTION 112-2018
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS IMPOSING LIEN(S) FOR THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL CODE 44-15

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 112-2018 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 112-2018 was approved.

RESOLUTION 113-2018
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTIAL PAYMENT NO. 5 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WELL NO. 2 PROJECT (CONTRACT B)
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 113-2018 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 113-2018 was approved.

RESOLUTION 114-2018
RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM; A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 114-2018 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Yerka. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 114-2018 was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety: Councilman Yerka stated that fire truck # 1511 is out of service and will be retired. He thanked the Fire Department, Police Department and the Fire Association for their work with the Trunk or Treat event. The Police Department report was presented and will be on file in the Clerk's office. Mayor Conley asked about the new fire truck contract and Solicitor Lozuke stated that it is being finalized.

Streets and Roads: Councilman Pye stated that the Borough is in the middle of leaf season and advised that a truck is down. He also requested that residents do not block the storm drains with leaves.

Finance and Administration: Councilman Packer presented the finance report. The tax collection rate is below the final percentage of last year which may require an increase in taxes to make up for the reserve for uncollected taxes.

Property and Environmental: Councilman Gambale advised that the trees around Borough Hall and on other streets have been removed. The work at the Athletic Association is complete and the water will be shut off in that building on December 1st. A new roof was installed on the Public Safety Annex Building. The Veterans' Ceremony on November 10th honored Councilman Jacob. The tree lighting ceremony will be held on December 1st at 6:30 p.m.

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

Kate McKelvey: Lincoln Avenue: Mrs. McKelvey distributed pictures of Lincoln Avenue and stated that the problems such as weeds, flooding, clogged storm drains are still unresolved after 7 years of complaining. The Engineer will inspect the area and a letter will be sent from the Solicitor to PSE&G, putting them on notice to address the various issues.

Mark Cipolone, 253 Lincoln Avenue: Mr. Cipolone stated that the issues on Lincoln Avenue are causing the safety and integrity of the street to be comprised.

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

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Pye. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator