

Minutes
Woolwich Township Committee
Sept. 21, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Sam Maccarone, Jr. who made the following statement:

The September 21, 2015 regular meeting of the Woolwich Township Committee is being called to order. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call: Cavallaro: PRESENT Fein: PRESENT Rizzi: PRESENT Schwager: PRESENT
Maccarone: PRESENT

Those present saluted the American Flag

Also present on the dais were Solicitor Mark Shoemaker, Director of Community Development Matt Blake, and Deputy Clerk Kathy Haas.

The public portion was opened upon a motion by Committeeman Rizzi, seconded by Committeeman Fein, all in favor.

Damon Suriani of 122 Laurel Trail would like to bring to the committee's attention that there needs to be better clarification of the Field Usage Form with a better break down of costs and also the wording. Committeeman Rizzi explained the guidelines were done from past usage of the fields for tournaments but did agree clarification is needed.

Committeewoman Cavallaro feels that a police presence is a positive thing since there should be an engagement between the police and residents. Just need to find a balance as to what the fee cost of a tournament is and as a result of that to make sure the wording is right now. Cavallaro is not in favor of the new structure but the committee needs to take a second look at it again.

Shawn Murphy, from 69 Frederick Blvd and president of Kingsway 501 3C Non-Profit Organization also was present and voiced his concerns regarding the fees since the same children could be playing multiple sports. He stated for the record that \$1250 per tournament would be a fair increase.

Motion to close the public portion: Deputy Mayor Schwager and seconded by Committeeman Rizzi. All in favor.

Motion to accept the reports for the Tax Collector, Municipal Court, Police and Park Director: Motion: Deputy Mayor Schwager and seconded by Committeeman Fein. All in favor.

2015-14 Ordinance Appropriating the Sum of \$12,485 to be Used for Public Works Equipment Within the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Second Reading/Public Hearing

Open Public Hearing: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

No Comment

Close Public Hearing: Fein Second: Rizzi All in favor

No Discussion

2015-18 Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich Rescinding Chapter 144 of the Woolwich Township Code First reading/intro

Motion: Rizzi Second: Fein

Roll Call: Cavallaro: YES, Fein: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES, Maccarone: YES

2015-19 Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich Amending Chapter 203 of the Code of the Township of Woolwich Entitled "Zoning". First reading/intro

Motion: Rizzi Second: Fein

Roll Call: Cavallaro: YES, Fein: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES, Maccarone: YES

2015-20 Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich Amending Chapter 143 of the Code of the Township of Woolwich Entitled "Property Maintenance" First reading/intro

Motion: Fein Second: Schwager All in favor

Roll Call: Cavallaro: YES, Fein: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES, Maccarone: YES

R-2015-199 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Making an Appointment to the Position of Police Chief

Motion: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

Mayor Maccarone would like to thank everyone for their hard work in selecting the new chief.

R-2015-200 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Establishing and Making Appointment to a Green Team Advisory Committee

Motion: Fein Second: Schwager All in favor

Deputy Mayor would like to make a motion to approve R2015-200 as amended to let the record change the date from Dec. 31, 2011 to Dec. 31, 2015 with new members appointed 2016

Motion: Schwager Second: Rizzi All in favor

R-2015-201 Resolution Authorizing Change Order #1 on Contract with Arawak Paving Company Inc. for 2014 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program

Motion: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

R-2015-202 Resolution Authorizing Submission of Raffle License on Behalf of the S/W Elementary PTO

Motion: Cavallaro Second: Schwager All in favor

R-2015-203 Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Street Opening Permit to S. Jersey Gas

Motion: Schwager Second: Rizzi All in favor

R-2015-204 Resolution Authorizing Quote of Dobson Turf Management for Park Field Work

Motion: Schwager Second: Rizzi All in favor

R-2015-205 Resolution Authorizing Quote of Romtec for Restroom Facility

Motion: Rizzi Second: Schwager All in favor

R-2015-206 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Contract for the Collection and Disposal of Solid Waste and Recycling Materials for the Year 2016

Motion: Schwager Second: Rizzi All in favor

Deputy Mayor Schwager said we were fortunate to get an agreement with them several years ago for renewal and it didn't make sense for this to go out to bid again.

R-2015-207 Resolution Authorizing Placement of Municipal Liens on Certain Properties within the Township of Woolwich

Motion: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

R-2015-208 Resolution Endorsing the Findings and Determination Statement and Authorizing the Clerk to Submit Application for Raffle License on Behalf of Officer Down

Motion: Schwager Second: Rizzi All in favor but Mayor Maccarone: Abstained

R-2015-209 Resolution Authorizing 1st and 2nd Quarter Taxes of 2015 to be Refunded and Cancelled Due to the Property Owner Meeting the Requirements of Being Tax Exempt: 54:4-3.6

Motion: Rizzi Second: Fein All in favor

R-2015-210 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Transfer or Refund Overpayment of Taxes

Motion: Rizzi Second: Schwager All in favor

R-2015-211 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Transfer or Refund Overpayment of Taxes-Correction

Motion: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

R-2015-212 Resolution Adopting an Amendment to Municipal Shared Service Defense Management Agreement

Motion: Schwager Second: Rizzi All in favor

Administrator report: In her absence if you have any questions, you can contact her.

Matt Blake presented the Director of Community Development Report:

Copy of Center branding brochure is an interim piece and the final will be created at the Master Plan Reexamination. Committee needtime to review the brochure.

Approval of a grant from USDA has been in the works for 2 years

Alaimo is still working on the redesign of landscaping for the township. Also funds can be available through other funds such as Open Space and to talk about it in the future.

Green Team: With resolution being passed tonight it will allow the township to obtain a Bronze Certification from NJ Sustainable Program. Dr. Richard Choppas from Woolwich is interested in helping along with two of his students to help the township reach a Silver Recognition under the program.

Committee has agreed for Matt Blake to work with Dr. Choppas on this project.

Liaison Reports given:

Committeeman Rizzi: stated that the CFO was attending seminars last week and he has not had a chance to catch up with him. Will try and put together an Open Space/Ag meeting before the end of the year. Nothing to report on the Open Space or Library Committee.

Committeewoman Cavallaro :

Courts: heard a total of 2989 total cases for the year with a mix of moving and parking violations and the remaining being disorderly persons and indictable charges.

S/W School District: new superintendent for the S/W School District will be great to work with. Bussing is still an issue. Enrollment is 1729, average class size is 20 students, and the district is not considering any building projects since enrollment is down.

Parks & Rec: Will work with Committeeman Rizzi and Park Director Natalie Matthias to rework the tournament fee schedule that will be fair for everyone. Also there will be Community Showcase of the Woolwich Fire Company for October 13th, then a possible fall event, also a skate night and for the holidays, Living Worship Center in Logan Township for their display. Volunteers and Natalie are doing a fantastic job.

Committeeman Fein:

Streets & Roads, Buildings & Grounds: 5 basins in Westbrook and Cedar Court needing repairs along with a sink hole at 140 Spruce Lane. More salt has been procured for the coming winter at last years pricing. Park Storage building is moving along and public works has set up soccer fields at the park and Harker. Pavers are being worked on in the front of the building. Also a new employee has been added to the public works dept. No report for Shade Tree Commission or BDAC

Deputy Mayor Schwager: New construction is 33 houses for the year, zoning has had 35 permits for the month with a lot of solar permits. There was a meeting with the state regarding TDR Bank Board which voted to provide \$5,000,000 toward credit auction with restrictions.

Mayor Maccarone: New chief has been selected and the department is doing "Coffee with a Cop" so that residents will get to know officers of the township. 911 Ceremony was a beautiful tribute for that day with a moving story given by a survivor of Tower 2. Also there was a great team effort to bring the steel beam down from New York and have the memorial ready for Sept. 11th

R-2015-213 Resolution for Closed Session

Motion: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

Committee entered closed session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss Personnel: Police Chief Salary

Regular meeting reconvened at 8:46 p.m.

New Business: Mayor Maccarone discussed his willingness to continue doing marriage's with the stipend of compensation for himself as a former mayor. Deputy Mayor Schwager feels the process should be done in an order of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and through the ranks with a former mayor being last. Also need to look at the fee again since the person performing the marriage should be compensated. Might be the need to amend the Ordinance. Would like to work through the process by the end of the year.

Towing: Authorize a motion to advertise for Towing and Storage Services

Motion: Rizzi Second: Fein All in favor

Green Team /Univ. of Delaware Sustainable Project: Authorize to work with Dr. Choppas

Motion: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

Kings Landing Brochure will be discussed at the next meeting.

Approval of Minutes for August 17, 2015

Motion: Schwager Second: Rizzi All in favor

There was also Approval of Minutes for August 17th meeting ,September 8, 2015 Work Session/Close Session and September 15, 2015 Special Meeting/Close Session

Motion: Schwager Second: Fein All in favor

Approve Bills pending approval of Mayor

Motion: Fein Second: Rizzi All in favor

Motion to adjourn at 8:56 p.m.

Motion: Fein Second: Rizzi All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Haas
Deputy Clerk

Minutes not verbatim
Audio recording on file