

**MINUTES  
WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 19, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Alan Schwager. Mayor Schwager made the following statement:

The June 19, 2017 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: Battisti: ABSENT Carleton: PRESENT Schlump: PRESENT  
Rizzi: PRESENT Schwager: PRESENT

Also present on the dais were Solicitor Mark Shoemaker and Administrator/Clerk Jane DiBella.

Those present saluted the American Flag.

Deputy Mayor Rizzi requested a moment of silence for two people who perished in separate motor vehicles accidents over the past few days.

Mayor Schwager then announced that at a recent NJ Conference of Mayor's event that he attended, he won a \$1,000 raffle to be donated to an organization of his choice. He then presented a check from NJ American Water to the S/W PTO. He noted that he is proud to be a supporter of the PTO, saying that the children are our future.

A number of PTO representatives were on hand to receive the donation, and thanked Mayor Schwager.

Motion was made by Committeeman Carleton and seconded by Deputy Mayor Rizzi to open the meeting to public comment. All were in favor.

David Valechka, Chief of the Woolwich Fire Company, residing at 511 Lakeview Drive advised that Committee of plans to change the fire house lighting to LED's as a cost saving measure, for an anticipated savings of up to \$600/month.

Deputy Mayor Rizzi noted that would be a huge savings. Mayor Schwager commended the Department for their efforts towards cost savings.

With no further public comment, Dep. Mayor Rizzi moved to close the public portion. Committeeman Carleton seconded. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Committeeman Carleton and seconded by Committeeman Schlump to approve the following reports as submitted for the month of May:

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| Tax Collector:   | \$6,451,253.48 remitted                 |
| Municipal Court: | \$14,436.61/Woolwich \$20.00/Swedesboro |
| Police:          | Monthly Activity                        |
| DOCD Report:     | Monthly Report                          |

Engineer's Report: Monthly Report  
Administrator's Report: Bi-Monthly Report

All were in favor.

Mayor Schwager read the following Ordinance by title only upon second reading:

**2017-11 Refunding Bond Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich, in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey (The "Township") Proving for (i) the Refunding of Certain Outstanding Woolwich Township Guaranteed Lease Revenue Bonds (Woolwich Township Municipal Building Project) Series 2007 of the Gloucester County Improvement Authority Dated August 22, 2007 to Provide Savings and to Purchase the Project Financed with said Bonds , and (ii) Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$8,750,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the Township to Effect such Refunding and Purchase and Appropriating the Proceeds Therefor**

Open public hearing: Rizzi Second: Carleton All in favor

No comment

Close public hearing: Rizzi Second: Carleton All in favor

Motion to adopt: Rizzi Second: Carleton

**Roll Call: Carleton: YES, Schlump: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES**

Mayor Schwager read the following Ordinances by title only upon first reading:

**2017-12 An Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Adopting a Redevelopment Plan for Numerous Blocks and Lots Known as Kings Landing Pursuant to NJSA 40A:12A-1 et seq.**

Motion to introduce: Rizzi Second: Carleton

**Roll Call: Carleton: YES, Schlump: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES**

**2017-13 An Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich Authorizing Tax Abatements, Exemptions, and Payments in Lieu of Tax Agreements**

Motion to introduce: Rizzi Second: Carleton

**Roll Call: Carleton: YES, Schlump: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES**

**2017-14 An Ordinance Authorizing the Township of Woolwich to Enter into a Financial Agreement for a Payment in Lieu of Taxes with Robert Rushton and Dorothy Rushton With respect to Property Located at Block 14, Lots 15 & 16**

Motion to introduce: Rizzi Second: Carleton

**Roll Call: Carleton: YES, Schlump: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES**

Deputy Mayor Rizzi moved to approve a consent agenda for resolutions R-2017-130 through R-2017-171 and resolution R-2017-174. Committeeman Carleton seconded.

Mayor Schwager suggested that resolution R-2017-164 be tabled.

Deputy Mayor Rizzi then amended his motion to exclude R-2017-164 from the consent agenda. Committeeman Carleton seconded. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi and seconded by Committeeman Carleton to approve resolutions R-2017-130 through R-2017-171 and R-2017-174 with the exception of R-2017-164. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi and seconded by Committeeman Carleton to table resolution R-2017-164. All were in favor.

**R-2017-130 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Authorizing Settlement of Disciplinary Action/Daniels**

(Previously Tabled)

**R-2017-161 Resolution Making an Appointment to Fill a Vacant Term in the Position of Registrar of Vital Statistics**

**R-2017-162 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License #0824-33-002-008 to Earl C. Rode Jr., Inc.**

**R-2017-163 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Making an Elevation within the Woolwich Township Police Department**

**R-2017-164 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey Establishing and Making Appointments to a Green Team Advisory Committee**

**R-2017-165 Resolution Authorizing Placement of Municipal Liens on Various Properties within the Township of Woolwich**

**R-2017-166 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Rejecting Bids for Remediation Activities**

**R-2017-167 Resolution Authorizing Refund of COAH Fee**

**R-2017-168 Resolution for Public Fireworks Display**

**R-2017-169 Resolution Authorizing Taxes to be Cancelled; Parcels Belonging to the County of Gloucester and the Township of Woolwich**

**R-2017-170 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Transfer or Refund Overpayment of Taxes**

**R-2017-171 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Club Liquor License #0824-31-001-001 to Swedesboro Golf Assn., Inc.**

**R-2017-174 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey Referring the Kings Landing Redevelopment Plan to the Woolwich Township Joint Land Use Board for a Report Pursuant to NJSA 40A:12A-7**

The following liaison reports were provided.

**Deputy Mayor Rizzi:**

JLUB; One application was heard for a bulk variance-signage. Finance; Meeting was held with the auditors to review the draft 2016 audit. Final audit should be ready for the 7-19 meeting. Open Space Ag.; No meeting was held. Parks and Recreation; Meeting was held. New members are bringing energy to the group. President and V. President were appointed. Bylaws are under review as well as park use forms. Bylaws will be reviewed by the Borough. Fire/EMS: 38 calls month of May. Conducted hoagie sale fundraiser. Good work by the department at an incident in Logan involving a tanker car release of toxic cloud. Additionally, the municipal building was opened up as a shelter for the occupants of a tour bus involved in an accident on the NJTP. Great work by emergency personnel.

**Committeeman Carleton:**

KRHS; Discussed a deal reached between Senator Steven Sweeney and Senator Prieto to provide additional school funding. Discussed with Sen. Prieto's aide and was advised that under the current budget, the District was to receive \$8,800,000. The additional aide will provide a 9.2% aid increase for approximately \$9,686,533, still \$18,669,673. Below full funding. He further noted that the Governor still needs to approve the budget line item, and that he does have veto power. Mayor Schwager gave kuddo's to the Fair Funding Committee who worked diligently on the funding issue, but said that it is unfair to still be held well below fair funding. He added that he is disheartened that Senator Sweeney would agree to something so unfair in his district. BDAC; Will meet on June 28 and discuss and plan the October business networking event. Christmas Parade: Will meet on June 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Committeeman Schlump:**

Streets and Roads; 1.5 tons of asphalt has been used on roads. Buildings and Grounds; P/W working on basins, cutting of roadside easements, cleaning basins and removing debris and maintaining the sports fields. The High Hill Park bathroom is complete. Trash/Recycling: Numbers are not in yet.

**Mayor Schwager:**

Construction and Zoning Code Enforcement; 80 permits issued as of end of May, includes 3 new homes. 42 zoning permits used, mostly solar. 194 vacant homes are registered. TDR Task Force; No update. Police; Municipal building was opened up to victims of a May 25<sup>th</sup> bus accident on the NJTP. Letter of appreciation was received from Andy Lovell, GC EMS. Municipal Court: New employee has begun to work only on court days.

Motion was made by Committeeman Carleton and seconded by Deputy Mayor Rizzi to approve Resolution **R-2017-172 Resolution for Closed Session**. All were in favor.

The Committee entered closed session at 7:37 p.m. for the purpose of discussing: Personnel-Disciplinary

Settlement.

The meeting reopened at 7:49 p.m.

There was no old business.

Under new business, motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi and seconded by Committeeman Carleton to approve resolution **R-2017-173 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Authorizing Settlement of Disciplinary Action/Morgan**. All were in favor.

Also under new business, Mayor Schwager prompted discussion of a draft "Fourth Supplemental Developers Agreement" between the Township and Summit Ventures. He explained that this document recaps the previous three agreements and adds a few minor things. There were no questions from the Committee.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi to authorize the Solicitor to begin his review of the draft document. Committeeman Carleton seconded. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Committeeman Carleton and seconded by Committeeman Schlump to approve the following minutes:

May 15, 2017 Regular Meeting and Closed Session  
June 5, 2017 Work Session Meeting and Closed Session

All were in favor.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi and seconded by Committeeman Carleton to approve the bills and purchase orders as submitted by the finance office, pending the final review of the Mayor. All were in favor.

With no further business, motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi and seconded by Committeeman Carleton to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane DiBella  
Administrator/Clerk

Minutes not verbatim  
Audio recording on file.