

**MINUTES
WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Mayor Alan Schwager with the following statement:

The September 5, 2017 work session 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: PRESENT Carleton: PRESENT Schlump: PRESENT
Rizzi: PRESENT Schwager: PRESENT

Also present on the dais were Solicitor Mark Shoemaker, Director of Community development Matt Blake, and Administrator/Clerk Jane DiBella.

Those present saluted the American Flag.

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

Hearing no comment, motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi and seconded by Committeeman Battisti to close the public portion. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi to remove Ordinance 2017-15 from the table and place it back on the floor. Committeeman Carleton seconded. All were in favor.

Mayor Schwager read ordinance **2017-15 An Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Establishing a Parks and Recreation Committee** by title only upon second reading.

Open public hearing: Carleton Second: Battisti All in favor

No comment

Close public hearing: Rizzi Second: Carleton All in favor

Motion to adopt: Carleton Second: Battisti

Roll Call: Battisti: YES, Carleton: YES, Schlump: YES, Rizzi: YES, Schwager: YES
Ordinances:

Deputy Mayor Rizzi then noted that he asked that ordinance 2017015 be placed back on the floor for adoption since the Parks and Recreation Committee did a lot of work for the Ordinance. The Township has tabled it for two months waiting for the Borough to adopt a like ordinance, but have not yet placed it on an agenda.

Committeeman Schlump questioned the status of Parks and Rec Bylaws, and was told that they stand within the Parks and Rec Committee, and that the Ordinance just adopted establishes the committee and structure.

Solicitor Shoemaker said that the ordinance legitimizes the Bylaws by way of ordinance. He added that a lot of the Bylaws are written into the Ordinance, but that the Ordinance does not have the provisions which allows the Committee to adopt its Bylaws.

Committeeman Battisti asked if Parks and Rec is still a joint Committee with Swedesboro, and was told that it is.

Mayor Schwager noted that resolution **R-2017-202 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement and Lease Agreement Between the Township of Woolwich and the County of Gloucester for Emergency Medical Services** would remain tabled for this meeting.

Motion was then made by Deputy Mayor Rizzi to approve a consent agenda for resolutions R-2017-219 through and including R-2017-228. Committeeman Battisti seconded. All were in favor.

Committeeman Battisti then moved to adopt resolutions R-2017-219 through and including R-2017-228. Committeeman Carleton seconded. All were in favor.

R-2017-219 Resolution Authorizing the Proposal of the Township Engineer to Address Remedial Investigation for the Palladino Property

R-2017-220 Resolution for Public Fireworks Display

R-2017-221 Resolution Authorizing Hiring Full Time Crossing Guard

R-2017-222 Resolution Authorizing Totally Disabled Veteran Deduction

R-2017-223 Resolution Authorizing Totally Disabled Veteran Deduction

R-2017-224 Resolution Authorizing Totally Disabled Veteran Deduction

R-2017-225 Resolution Authorizing Placement of Municipal Liens on Various Properties within the Township of Woolwich

R-2017-226 Resolution Adopting a Sustainable Land Use Pledge

R-2017-227 Resolution Authorizing Purchase Under State Contract/Public Works Vehicles

R-2017-228 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Authorizing the Endorsement of "Statement of Consent" Form TWA-1 for Grasso Foods Inc.

The Administrator/Clerk presented her report.

Mayor Schwager asked if the Township has received any notification from Group Ten Builders regarding default on the bond posted for the Enclave at Stone Meeting House and was told that it has not received such notice.

Mayor Schwager asked if the Township should continue to wait or be proactive.

Solicitor Shoemaker questioned the status of the improvements and was told the road needs final paving and there may be issues with grading. He added that there would be a thirty day notice provision in the bond.

Mayor Schwager asked that this issue be made a discussion item at the next meeting.

Motion was made by Committeeman Carleton and seconded by Deputy Mayor Rizzi to approve resolution **R-2017-229 Resolution for Closed Session**. All were in favor.

The Committee entered closed session at 7:12 p.m. for the purpose of discussing - Litigation-Craig Civil Action Complaint.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:26 p.m.

Seeing someone in the audience, Committeeman Battisti moved to re-open the meeting to public comment. Committeeman Carleton seconded. All were in favor.

Sabrina Cannady residing on Spring Hill Drive said she really has no complaints, but asked why she does not see police patrols in her development. Mayor Schwager said that

He will speak with the Police Chief. He further noted that there are 4 to 5 officers on patrol 24-7.

Mrs. Cannady then asked what is going on Rt. 322 and whether things are in preparation for intersection improvements at Kings Hwy. Mayor Schwager replied that due to the Township's pressure, the state moved up the intersection improvements to 2018. Discussion was then held with Mrs. Cannady regarding plans to widen Rt. 322.

Mrs. Cannady then asked if sewer would ever be provided in her development. She was told that her residence is outside of the sewer service area.

With no further questions or comment, the public portion closed upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Rizzi, seconded by Committeeman Carleton and unanimously passed.

Deputy Mayor Rizzi moved to authorize the Solicitor to conduct research and conduct tasks as discussed in closed session. Committeeman Carleton seconded. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Committeeman Carleton and seconded by Committeeman Carleton to approve the bills and purchase orders pending the Mayor's final review. All were in favor.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned under a motion by Deputy Mayor Rizzi, seconded by Committeeman Battisti and unanimously passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane DiBella
Administrator/Clerk

Minutes not verbatim. Audio recording on file