

**MINUTES
WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
JUNE 3, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Vernon Marino at 7:04 p.m. Mayor Marino made the following statement:

The June 3, 2019 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: PRESENT Frederick: PRESENT Santore: PRESENT
Matthias: PRESENT Marino: PRESENT

Also present on the dais were Solicitor Alice and Administrator/Clerk DiBella.

Those present saluted the American Flag.

Committeeman Frederick moved to open the meeting to the public for agenda items only. Committeewoman Santore seconded. All were in favor.

Angela Napoliello-Ivory of 3 Brockton Court question who the licensee JSSB is in resolution R-2019-139. Mrs. DiBella and Mayor Marino explained that the license is held at JB's Liquors and that JSSB is the legal name of the entity under which the license was issued by the state.

Ms. Napoliello-Ivory then asked what road projects would be undertaken under R-2019-145. Mayor Marino replied that the roads are under evaluation.

Ms. Napoliello-Ivory then stated that she could not find Anthem Sports as referenced in R-2019-147 and asked if they are a NJ Company.

Deputy Mayor Matthias replied that the township will be obtaining temporary fencing from Anthem Sports and that and that they are not a NJ Company.

Ms. Napoliello-Ivory then asked who the "Swedesboro-Woolwich Little Theater" is as referenced in R-2019-148. Deputy Mayor Matthias said that the theater operates out of the elementary school and consists of children from the district.

Hearing no further public comment, the public portion closed upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Matthias, seconded by Committeeman Battisti and unanimously passed.

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

2019-07 Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich Amending Chapter 53 of the Code of the Township of Woolwich Entitled "Alarm Systems"

Motion to open public hearing: Matthias Second: Frederick All in favor

No comment

Motion to close public hearing: Matthias Second: Battisti

Motion to adopt: Battisti Second: Matthias

Roll Call: Battisti: YES, Frederick: YES, Santore: YES, Matthias: YES, Marino: YES

Motion was made by Committeewoman Santore and seconded by Committeeman Battisti to approve a consent agenda for resolutions: R-2019-139 through and including R-2019-148. All were in favor

Committeeman Frederick questioned the need to approve fireworks under resolution R-2019-142. Mayor Marino replied that a homeowner conducts these fireworks every July 4th and that the Committee's resolution is a requirement of the office of the County Fire Marshall.

Committeeman Frederick then asked if the Committee is going to authorize the engineer to apply for further municipal aid grants per their proposal of \$1,600 for additional applications as reflected in R-2019-145. Mayor Marino replied that consideration will be given at the July meeting.

Deputy Mayor Matthias asked the engineer if the concerns of the residents in Auburn Chase have been met as they relate to the paving of Hazel Blvd. and release of Performance Bond per resolution R-2019-146. Travis Greiman of Remington and Vernick replied that the road paving is in conformance.

All were in favor of a consent agenda.

R-2019-139 Resolution Authorizing the Renewal of Plenary Retail Distribution Liquor License #0824-44-004-002 to JSSB, Inc.

R-2019-140 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License #0824-33-002-008 to Earl C. Rode, Jr., Inc.

R-2019-141 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License #0824-33-003-001 to Center Square Tavern LLC

R-2019-142 Resolution for Public Fireworks Display

R-2019-143 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Elevating Officers Andre Ouellette and Matthew Boyko to the Position of 3rd Class Officers within the Woolwich Township Police Department

R-2019-144 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester, Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement Between the Township of Woolwich and the Borough of Swedesboro for the Purchase of Gasoline

R-2019-145 Resolution Authorizing the Proposal of Remington and Vernick Engineers for the Preparation and Engineering of the New Jersey Department of Transportation FY2020 State Aid Program in the Amount of \$2,500.00

R-2019-146 Resolution Authorizing the Release of Performance Bond #60132911 as Posted for the Development Known as Auburn Chase, Section 2.1

R-2019-147 Resolution Authorizing Quotes for Park Field Improvements-Seeton Turf \$8310.00 and Anthem Sports-\$2,141.85

R-2019-148 Resolution Endorsing the Findings and Determination Statement and Authorizing the Issuance of a Raffle License to Swedesboro-Woolwich Little Theater

Motion was made by Committeeman Battisti and seconded by Committeeman Frederick to adopt resolutions R-2019-139 through and including R-2019-148.

Roll Call: Battisti: YES, Frederick: YES, Santore: YES, Matthias: YES, Marino: YES

The following reports were presented for the month of May:

Tax Collector: Monthly Report
Delinquent Tax Report Believed not Collectible pursuant to NJSA 54-91.1, 54-91.2-None

Woolwich Fire Company: Chief Valichka noted that the company had 58 calls, spent 39 hours on incidents and 30 hours of training. One member graduated from the Salem County Fire Academy. A sub sale is scheduled for June 8th. New vehicles should be ready by weeks end.

Mayor Marino noted gratitude for the department's participation in Fun Day.

Committeewoman Santore noted that the Memorial Day Service was wonderful.

Police Chief: Chief Jaramillo advised the Committee that he has four applicants for Class III Officers. The Chief explained that Class III officers are retired officers in good standing who will work school security. He noted that the officers will not require benefits. He further noted that this will allow him to get the full time officers back on the streets.

Committeewoman Santore asked if the Chief believes that the added interest is due to the salary adjustment made. The Chief agreed.

Deputy Mayor Matthias questioned the distribution between schools. Chief Jaramillo replied that one officer would be at the High School, one at the middle school and 2 distributed in the S/W district schools.

Subject to outreach to the districts to solidify the plans, the Chief asked that three officers be sworn in at the next meeting with the additional officer sworn in September.

Deputy Mayor Matthias asked if the LEADS program and summer camp will continue and was told that they will.

Mayor Marino also thanked the Chief for his department's participation in Fun Day.

Township Engineer: Travis Greiman, of Remington and Vernick advised that the drainage issues potentially related to Phase one of the High Hill Road shared use path project have not been resolved. He then added that the bid package for Phase II of the Shared Use Path is being finalized.

Mr. Greiman then noted that the Back Creek Road project may begin on Monday the 10th and last approximately 4 weeks.

He then asked for direction on road prioritization for the 2020 NJDOT grant cycle, noting that Russell Mill Road from Harrisonville Road to Oak View Terrace scored the best.

DOCD Report: Mr. Blake advised the Committee of a meeting with County Open Space and the State Agricultural Development Committee at which time discussion was held as to funding future preservation projects, along with funding the purchase of TDR Credits. He added that the State and County were very accommodating and the ideas will be further discussed when the TDR Steering Committee meets.

Administrator's Report: The Administrator/Clerk presented her report as self-explanatory, but asked the Committee to check their schedules to coordinate a special meeting the week of June 24th to award the High Hill Road Shared Use Path Phase II Project. The Committee agree to conduct the meeting on June 24th at 6:15 p.m.

Municipal Services: Monthly Report

The following liaison reports were presented:

Committeeman Battisti: Municipal Services; (Blds./Grounds/Code/UCC/Zoning/Public Works); 39 zoning permits were issued on May along with 13 violation notices, 10 of which were for high grass. Park fields are being maintained on a daily basis. The Lacrosse wall is under construction. 3 tons of asphalt and 6 tons of stone were used on Russell Mill Road bridge. On June 2nd, the Community Garden held a garden party. Committeeman Battisti noted that he was very impressed by the group of gardeners and that the garden is a hidden gem in Woolwich. Municipal Alliance: No report

Committeeman Frederick: Environmental: 2018 EC Annual report has been received. ANJEC Grant has been awarded. Many projects are being scheduled, such as bat boxes, tree planting, recycling awareness. Recycling assemblies will be scheduled for the fall in the school district. (SWEC, Green Team, Shade Tree, Open Space/Ag)

Committeewoman Santore: BDAC; Meeting was held on 5-22. A Resolution will be presented at the next meeting of the Township committee to authorize the Shop Local program. Logan and Swedesboro are in receipt of like resolutions and will act on same. Work will be done to plan program implementation. Next steps include sponsorships, including card sponsor(s). Trash/Recycling: 18 missed calls for service in May. CMC continues to be a great partner.

Dep. Mayor Matthias: Educational Partners; (KRHS and SWSD); Districts are in the process of recognizing the achievements of their students. The Districts are currently looking at professional appointments for the ensuing school year. Recreation: Successful Fun Day was held on June 1st. Expressed gratitude to numerous volunteers who put it all together. Thanks to Public Works, Police and Fire for their participation, to Committeewoman Santore, Committeeman Frederick, the Recreation

Coordinator and Administrator/Clerk for their help. The numbers are being finalized, but it was a success. Vendors tripled from last year and ticket sales doubled.

Mayor Marino: Administration: (Finance; Court; JLUB, TDR Task Force); TDR Task Force has 1st meeting scheduled for June 19th. JLUB issued variance for In-Law Suite. Public Safety: Handled 13 crashes and had 4 DWI arrests.

Mayor Marino gave thanks to the Recreation Coordinator and Deputy Mayor for all that they did to make Fun Day a success.

Under new business, Committeewoman Santore advised the Committee of continuing discussions held Over from last year regarding dog park planning. She advised that after speaking with the engineer, the first step is to prepare the soil for seeding in the fall. She also advised that equipment could possibly be placed in the spring with a small bit of plumbing to run water to the site. She noted that costs could be borne by sponsorships and through the licensing fund.

Mayor Marino asked the CFO if funds are available to seed. He replied that funds exist in the animal control and open space funds.

Deputy Mayor Matthias said that prior plans were estimated at a high cost and asked if there has been a change in scope. Committeewoman Santore responded that sponsorships can be sought to lessen cost.

When asked what anticipated costs for seeding would be, it was estimated at between \$7,000-\$10,000 for approximately one acre.

The Committee asked the Administrator/Clerk to obtain quotes from public works and continue discussions once quotes are obtained.

The Committee reviewed a request to conduct a block party closing a portion of Juniper and Laurel Trail.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Matthias and seconded by Committeeman Battisti to authorize the block party pending notification to appropriate public safety department heads. All were in favor.

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

Jordan Schlump of 10 Wilshire Blvd. said that a dog park is a great idea but said to make sure that pitch and grade work for drainage purposes.

With no further comment, Committeewoman Santore moved to close the public portion. Committeeman Battisti seconded. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Matthias and seconded by Committeeman Battisti to approve resolution **R-2019-149 Resolution for Closed Session**. All were in favor.

The Committee entered closed session at 7:51 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Contractual Matters-Sewer.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:13 p.m. upon a motion by Committeeman Frederick, seconded by Committeeman Battisti and unanimously passed.

Motion was made by Committeeman Battisti and seconded by Committeewoman Santore to approve the bill list.

Roll Call: Battisti: YES, Frederick: YES, Santore: YES, Matthias: YES, Marino: YES

Committeeman Frederick abstained on PO #19-00729 and bills to Verizon.

With no further business, motion was made by Committeeman Battisti and seconded by Committeewoman Santore to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane DiBella
Administrator/Clerk

Minutes not verbatim
Audio recording on file