

**MINUTES
WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MAY 4, 2020**

This meeting was conducted via telephonic conference call and was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Mayor Marino with the following statement:

The May 4, 2020 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: Frederick: PRESENT Nocentino: PRESENT Santore: PRESENT
Matthias: PRESENT Marino: PRESENT

Those present saluted the American Flag.

Deputy Mayor Matthias moved to open the meeting to public comment. Committeewoman Santore seconded. All were in favor.

Hearing no public comment, motion was made by Deputy Mayor Matthias and seconded by Committeewoman Santore to close the public portion. All were in favor.

Mayor Marino read the following Ordinances by title only upon first reading.

2020-09 An Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Adopting an Amendment to the Weatherby Town Center Redevelopment Plan

Motion to Introduce: Santore Second: Frederick All were in favor

2020-10 An Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich Amending Chapter 203-5B of the Code of the Township of Woolwich Entitled "Definitions and Word Usage: to Create the Definition of Supermarket

Motion to introduce: Santore Second: Frederick All were in favor

It was noted that the above Ordinances will be referred back to the Joint Land Use Board for review.

Mayor Marino noted that Resolution **R-2020-104 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Expressing Interest in the Gloucester County Residential Energy Cooperative** would be removed from the agenda.

Committeewoman Santore moved to approve a consent agenda for the following resolution. Committeeman Frederick seconded. All were in favor.

R-2020-103 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Authorizing Release of Letter of Credit #17-08 in the Amount of \$359,658.50 and Replacing it with Performance Bond #CM100853 in the Amount of \$359,658.50 as Posted for Villages

R-2020-105 Township of Woolwich, State of New Jersey Emergency Temporary Budget Resolution N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20

R-2020-106 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Extend the Due Date for 2nd Quarter Taxes

Motion was made by Committeewoman Santore moved to adopt Resolutions R-2020-103 through and including R-2020-106 with the exception of R-2020-103.

Committeeman Nocentino noted a word processing mistake on resolution R-2020-105 which the Clerk so noted.

Roll Call: Fredrick: YES, Nocentino: YES, Santore: YES. Matthias: YES, Marino: YES Motion carried

For the benefit of Woolwich residents, Mayor Marino noted that through the passage of R-2020-106, the grace period is being extended for the payment of 2nd Q Taxes until June 1st due to the COVID-19 health emergency and pursuant to Governor Murphy's Directive.

Committeeman Frederick asked that residents be notified through various platforms. Committeewoman Santore also asked that the township marquee be posted with the due date.

There was no old business.

Under new business, the Committee discussed the Enclave at Stone Meeting House basin.

Township Engineer Travis Grieman advised that his office is completing the package to bid developer responsibilities after the Township received the bond claim funds. He advised that he has concerns with the status of the storm water basin and suggested that soil testing profiles have not been done, and should be prior to bid.

Mayor Marino asked who owns the basin. Mr. Grieman replied that records show the basin was deeded to the HOA in the mid 2000's.

Deputy Mayor Matthias asked how the punch list matches up to the improvement schedule. Mr. Grieman replied that some landscaping items may not be included, but that the HOA has been advised of what will be included and they are in agreement with the exception of the landscaping.

Committeewoman Santore clarified that the township's involvement is limited by the performance bond funds. Mr. Grieman agreed and said that a few critical items were added to the scope.

Mayor Marino asked if the bond funds will cover the project in entirety. Mr. Grieman replied that it should, contingent upon the basin sand is found to be free of contaminants.

As to any further liability on the township's part, Solicitor Alice said there may be some level of responsibility of the bond funds are depleted, and that fact should be made clear to the HOA.

Committeewoman Santore asked if the HOA should provide a hold harmless agreement.

Mayor Marino suggested that further discussion take place on this issue to prevent any tax dollars required to complete the project. Solicitor Alice agreed saying that discussions should be held with the HOA to define what each party's role is.

Committeeman Frederick then advised that a virtual assembly is being planned for the S/W District and will be also available for viewing by all residents.

Committeeman Frederick also questioned the status of recycling stickers order and was informed that they have been ordered.

Committeeman Frederick also advised that 7.5 garden plots are still available for lease.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Matthias and seconded by Committeewoman Santore to approve the bill list and purchase orders. Committeewoman Santore asked how the bills are moving forward with no committee sign off on the bill list. Mayor Marino advised that committee approval is documented with his signature and initials.

Roll Call for Bill List:

Roll Call: Fredrick: YES (abstain from Verizon) Nocentino: YES, Santore: YES. Matthias: YES, Marino: YES Motion carried

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned upon a motion by Committeewoman Santore, seconded by Committeeman Nocentino and unanimously passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane DiBella
Administrator/Clerk

Minutes not verbatim
Audio recording on file