

**MINUTES  
WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
DECEMBER 5, 2022**

Mayor Frederick called the meeting to order at 6:34p.m.

Mayor Frederick made the following statement:

The December 5, 2022 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: Marino: PRESENT      Minhas: PRESENT      Nocentino: PRESENT  
Callahan: PRESENT      Frederick: PRESENT

Also present on the dais were Solicitor Gaglione and Deputy Clerk Mignogna.

Those present saluted the American Flag.

Mayor Frederick called the first order of business is to adopt resolution R-2022-267 and swear in the new Lieutenant.

**R-2022-267 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Making Administrative Elevation to the Position of Lieutenant within the Woolwich Township Police Department**

Motion was made by Committeeman Marino and seconded by Committeeman Nocentino to adopt resolution R-2022-267.

**Roll Call: Marino: YES    Minhas: YES    Nocentino: YES    Callahan: YES    Frederick: YES**

Mayor Frederick swore in Lieutenant Anthony Verrilli.

Anthony Verrilli thanked the Township Committee, Woolwich Township Policed Department and his family for all their support.

Motion was made by Committeeman Nocentino and seconded by Committeewoman Minhas to open the meeting to the public. All were in favor.

Jason Grote, 186 Maple Hill Drive, is the HOA president of High Hill Estates, and is here of behalf of residents in that development. He is asking if the Committee can have a special meeting with those residents on the no parking issue, no later than January 3, 2023. Mayor Frederick responded to his questions and can have at least two members of the Committee meet with them and will continue working with everyone in January.

Courtney Watkins, 135 Gentry Drive, has concerns about multiple tractor trailers coming down the residential street. Mayor Frederick had the Township Police patrol back in September due to speeding. He will talk with the Chief of Police to have the department go back out there to gather more data and to be able to proceed with the next steps.

Jordan Schlump, 10 Wilshire Blvd, wanted a follow up on the apartment building six month study and questioned about the ordinance 2022-15 on the agenda. Mayor Frederick responded that before the

second reading on ordinance 2022-15 scheduled for December 19th there will be more detail on the public hearing.

Motion was made by Committeeman Marino and seconded by Committeeman Nocentino to close the meeting to the public. All were in favor.

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

**2022-13 An Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich Adopting Changes to its Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual to Allow for the Accrual of Sick Time for Part-Time and Seasonal Employees**

Motion to open to the public hearing: Minhas                      Second: Nocentino                      All in favor

No public comment.

Motion to close the public hearing: Nocentino                      Second: Callahan                      All in favor

Motion to adopt: Nocentino                      Second: Callahan

**Roll Call: Marino: YES    Minhas: YES    Nocentino: YES    Callahan: YES    Frederick: YES**

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

**2022-14 An Ordinance Granting Renewal of Municipal Consent to Comcast of South Jersey, LLC to Construct, Connect, Operate and Maintain a Cable Television and Communications System in the Township of Woolwich, Gloucester County, New Jersey**

Motion to open to the public hearing: Minhas                      Second: Callahan                      All in favor

No public comment.

Motion to close the public hearing: Marino                      Second: Callahan                      All in favor

Motion to adopt: Marino                      Second: Minhas

Deputy Mayor Callahan commented that he helped work on this ordinance and wanted the public to be aware that the fees associated are non-negotiable and are set by the State.

**Roll Call: Marino: YES    Minhas: YES    Nocentino: YES    Callahan: YES    Frederick: ABSTAIN**

Mayor Frederick read the following Ordinance by title only upon first reading:

**2022-15 An Ordinance Approving the Application and Financial Agreement for a Long-Term Tax Exemption with CP Woolwich Urban Renewal, LLC for Block 28.04, Lot 7 on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Woolwich**

Motion to introduce: Marino                      Second: Callahan

**Roll Call: Marino: YES    Minhas: YES    Nocentino: YES    Callahan: YES    Frederick: YES**

Mayor Frederick read the following Ordinance by title only upon first reading:

**2022-16 An Ordinance of the Township of Woolwich, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Adopting an Amendment to the Kings Landing Redevelopment Plan**

Mayor Frederick commented this is a replacement of Ordinance 2022-12

Motion to introduce: Marino                      Second: Minhas

Mayor Frederick gave a summary on the amendment of the Kings Landing Redevelopment Plan. This amendment is just cleaning up from the year of activity to keep it simple and to eliminate conflicting provisions.

**Roll Call: Marino: YES    Minhas: YES    Nocentino: YES    Callahan: YES    Frederick: YES**

Motion was made by Committeeman Marino moved to approve a consent agenda for resolutions R-2022-268 through and including R-2022-277. Deputy Mayor Callahan seconded. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Committeeman Marino and seconded by Deputy Mayor Callahan to adopt resolutions R-2022-268 through and including R-2022-277.

**Roll Call: Marino: YES Minhas: YES Nocentino: YES Callahan: YES Frederick: YES**

**R-2022-268 Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Street Opening Permit- 127 Palmer Place**

**R-2022-269 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Making an Elevation within the Woolwich Township Police Department**

**R-2022-270 Resolution Amending Woolwich Township Resolution #2022-257 Authorizing Cancellation of Rollback Taxes for 2022**

**R-2022-271 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Making an Elevation within the Woolwich Township Police Department**

**R-2022-272 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Making an Elevation within the Woolwich Township Police Department**

**R-2022-273 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Transfer or Refund Overpayments of Taxes**

**R-2022-274 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Recognition Agreement for the Tavistock at Woolwich Affordable Housing Project**

**R-2022-275 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Cost Sharing Agreement for a Proposal regarding Warrington Mill Dam**

**R-2022-276 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Deeds for a Portion of Various Properties Along Windsor Drive To Owners Of Block 2.01, Lots 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 24 & 28**

**R-2022-277 Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation**

Under old business, the Mayor reported there is no business to discuss.

Under new business there are few things, first, the Mayor reported that the Township schedules a close out meeting some time during the last week of the month, just to pay final bills or any other miscellaneous items. Scheduled close out meeting will be held on December 28, 2022 6:15pm. Second, the Mayor explained the RFP process. To be more cost efficient, in the past, the Township always had one planner to service the Township as a whole with the Joint Land Use board. This year, the Township has two different planners and the Mayor is requesting to reject the current bids for Township and Joint Land Use Board and go back out for re-bid for a Joint Planner for the Township and Joint Land Use Board. All the professionals that submitted bids will be notified that a new bid will take place.

Motion was made by Mayor Frederick to reject the current bids for Township Planner and Joint Land Use Planner and go back out to bid for a Joint Planner for Township and Joint Land Use Board, seconded by Committeeman Nocentino.

**Roll Call: Marino: YES Minhas: YES Nocentino: YES Callahan: YES Frederick: YES**

Committeeman Nocentino wanted to clarify if there should be a resolution on the Shade Tree quote approval. Mayor Frederick answered and asked him to give a brief background on the quotes. Committeeman Nocentino received three quotes with the lowest bid from Exley at \$12,445.00. This amount will come out of Shade Tree fund. The shade trees are for both elementary schools and this project has been in talks for a few years and was held up due to COVID and is finally ready to move forward.

Motion was made by Committeeman Marino and seconded by Committeeman Nocentino to open the meeting to the public. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Committeewoman Minhas and seconded by Committeeman Nocentino to close the public meeting to the public. All were in favor.

Motion was made by Committeewoman Minhas and seconded by Deputy Mayor Callahan to approve resolution **R-2022-278 Resolution for Closed Session**. All were in favor.

The Committee entered closed session at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the following matter: Personnel-Police Interviews and Contract Negotiation- School District.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:21 p.m. upon a motion by Committeewoman Minhas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Callahan and unanimously passed.

Motion as was discussed during closed session, to approve Daniel Featherer as the new Patrolman to be hired in the Woolwich Township Police Department by Committeeman Marino, seconded by Committeeman Nocentino.

**Roll Call: Marino: YES Minhas: YES Nocentino: YES Callahan: YES Frederick: YES**

Committeewoman Minhas moved to approve the bills and purchase orders. Deputy Mayor Callahan seconded.

**Roll Call: Marino: YES Minhas: YES Nocentino: YES Callahan: YES Frederick: YES (abstain from Verizon)**

Motion carried.

With no further business, motion was made by Committeeman Nocentino, seconded by Deputy Mayor Callahan and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Mignogna  
Deputy Clerk

Minutes not verbatim  
Audio recording on file