

BOROUGH OF WOODBINE
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
501 Washington Avenue
Woodbine, NJ 08270
7:30 PM

Thursday, October 19, 2023

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of October 19, 2023 was included in a list of meetings notice sent to The Press of Atlantic City and the Cape May County Herald on January 9, 2023 and advertised in said newspapers on January 11, 2023 and January 18, 2023 respectively, posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 9, 2023 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Proper notice having been given, the Municipal Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council President Ortiz

ROLL CALL

Borough Council President Ortiz called for roll call.

Council Member	Present	Absent
Council President Ortiz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Councilman Bennett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Councilman Cruz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quorum:	6	0

Councilwoman Perez- via telephone

Councilwoman Prettyman- via telephone

Councilman Cruz arrived 7:38 pm

Also Present:

Borough Solicitor Richard Tonetta, Esq -Via Telephone

Borough Special Engineer Jim Verna, Van Note-Harvey Associates

Borough Airport Engineer- Kan Liu, DY Consultants

Borough Deputy Clerk Laurie Boyd

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 5, 2023

Council President Ortiz called for approval of the minutes of the October 5, 2023, meeting.

Motion for:	Approval of Minutes of October 5, 2023					
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CONSENT AGENDA

Council President Ortiz called for the approval of the Consent Agenda

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS	
Resolution No.	Description
10-110-2023	SALE OF LANDS AT PUBLIC AUCTION
10-111-2023	APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR RESURFACING A PORTION OF WASHINGTON AVENUE (CR550) UNDER THE NJDOT LOCAL FREIGHT IMPACT FUND GRANT PROGRAM
10-112-2023	RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ZIP CODE REALIGNMENT IN UPPER TOWNSHIP
10-115-2023	APPROVAL OF THE FILING OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE WOODBINE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TAXIWAY D RELOCATION- DESIGN, PERMITTING, EDGE LIGHTS & MARKINGS- CONSTRUCTION
10-116-2023	RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL ACCEPTING \$270,026 IN CV-2 FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY VIA THE COUNTY OF CAPE MAY FOR CERTAIN WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND STREET RECONSTRUCTION
10-117-2023	APPROVAL OF THE FILING OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE WOODBINE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TAXIWAY D RELOCATION- DESIGN

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

County Water Quality Management Plan- In process

Open Space Eco-Park- In Process. The County approved the additional funding for the project and a Shared Services Agreement will be presented at the next meeting.

Mobile Carrier Projects at Water Tower

- (1) Dish Network- In process. No update
- (2) Verizon Wireless Lease- In process No update.

USDA Projects

- (1) Water Project- (Verna) Change order #6 is in process. Waiting for information to
- (2) Asset Management Plan- (Graham) Submitted to DEP. Waiting for response
- (3) Sewer Project (Graham)- Ongoing project in design process.
- (4) Hat Factory Property (ECWAG)- (Graham) Contractor submitting permits to DEP

Adams Avenue/Franklin Streetscape Project- (Verna) In process. 65% complete. Concrete work in process (Graham) Received additional funding for water improvements on Franklin Street

DeHirsch Avenue Project- (Verna) Waiting for DOT inspection to close out project.

Clay Street/Madison Avenue Project- (Verna) Water system improvements in process on Madison Avenue. Clay Street will be completed by end of the year.

NJDOT LTPF: Railroad Trestle Bridge Project- (Graham) Design meeting with GPI completed. Spring start anticipated.

DOT Sumner Avenue Bikeway- (Verna) Meeting with contractor to consult about replace the trees planted along the bikeway.

DOT Pavement Preservation Pilot Program- (Verna) Substantially complete. Should be completed in a few days.

Landfill Redevelopment Zone – Solar Project (Graham) Permit applications are in process. Working through issue with Atlantic City Electric.

USDA Rural Development application for a dump truck-snow plow vehicle.(Graham) State contract approved.

Lincoln and Franklin Avenue Parks Project- (Graham) Working on state contract provisions to purchase equipment.

Host Community Benefits Agreement CMCMUA- (Graham) In process. No other report

Escrow Account Activity

Asphalt Preservation DOT Roadway Survey (Graham) Contacted by vendor who conducts surveys on roadways for the purpose of establishing a

EPA Brownfields Grant- (Graham) Summary was given to Council at October 5, 2023 meeting and again at this meeting. It was noted that the Borough applied for this same funding in FY 2023; however, that application was not approved. Mayor Pikolycky and Borough Engineer Bruce Graham had a subsequent conference call with

USEPA to learn how a future application might be strengthened. It was learned that the Borough’s application was very competitive, but that it would have been helped by demonstrating greater public outreach. Ideas on how to better engage the public were discussed, and the consensus was that the Borough would pursue several different strategies that include: developing an online public petition so residents can learn about the application and what it proposes to address; sending targeted emails to Borough residents, stakeholders and community organizations about the application and encouraging them to support the petition; and drafting and disseminating a press release about the creation of the petition to further drive public awareness and support. It was also noted that, should the funding be awarded, the Borough would engage in ongoing community outreach to keep the public informed of progress and to solicit comments and feedback. There may also be other forms of outreach, which will be determined.

Resolution 10-118-2023 approval to submit grant application authorizing the preparation and filing of an application to the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) EPA for Funding under the FY 2024 Multipurpose Grant to address environmental concerns at several locations in the Borough.

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NEW BUSINESS

Local Freight Grant- Approval to submit grant application Resolution 10-111-2023 (Graham) Application made for FY2023 and not awarded. County suggested the Borough apply for this grant for improvement on Washington between DeHirsch and Webster.

Vacancy on Land Use Board- Council President Ortiz called for resolution 10-113-2023 appointing Joseph Petro to the Land Use Board

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10-113-2023	RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOSEPH PETRO TO FILL VACANCY ON LAND USE BOARD

Resignation of Alex Bauer- Borough Clerk Alex Bauer resigned effective October 19, 2023

Carol Lynn Resorts Seasonal Rent Increase- Council was questioned by Christina Schwab, a resident of Carolyn Resorts, on the remedies available to the residents who have experienced a significant increase in fees. It was suggested the resort residents speak with an attorney.

Woodbine Manor Apartments- (Graham) Replacing a septic system on property and needs the Borough approval.

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10-114-2023	AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN A NJDEP TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL (TWA) APPLICATION WOODBINE MANOR APARTMENTS--BUILDING H

Trunk or Treat- October 31, 2023

Local Road Safety Plan Workshop November 2, 2023, 5pm-7pm Cape May County Administration Building- Contact Laurie to Register.

League of Municipalities Conference Nov 14-16

County Flu Vaccine Clinic Dates - October 15-November 17 See Flyer

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- (1) PFAS Lawsuit- In Process.
- (2) NJDEP Assignment of Municipal Stormwater from Tier B to Tier A- Waiting for a response from DEP appeal process
- (3) Airport Lease Agreement- Lease Agreement under review.
- (4) Borough Property Sales- Process is moving forward
- (5) Hangar Lease Ordinance- Reviewing ordinance for changes.
- (6) Vacant Property Ordinance- Removed from Agenda
- (7) Sign Ordinance- Removed from Agenda
- (8) Trash and Recycle Contract- Made suggested changes and will be advertised for 60 days once approved.

Councilman Bennett asked for clarification on the lease agreement with High Exposure and the condition of the vacant hangars.

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10-119-2023	AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A 25 YEAR LEASE CONTRACT WITH HIGH EXPOSURE SUBJECT TO ANY CHANGES

AIRPORT ENGINEER'S REPORT

Airport Engineer Kan Lui gave the report of the Airport Engineer.

- (1) Taxiway B Rehabilitation- Construction Phase IV (East End)- Final inspection completed.
- (2) Taxiway B Rehabilitation Edge Light & Markings- Design- Project is being delayed until spring due to delays in lighting fixtures and weather restricted work.
- (3) Transient Apron- Design- In Process
- (4) Terminal & Hangar- Waiting on funding decision for both CDS and BILS applications

ENGINEER'S REPORT

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Council President Ortiz called for a motion to pay the bills.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilwoman Perez asked about the status of hiring another crossing guard.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Ortiz asked for a motion for adjournment.

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_____/s/
 Laurie E Boyd, Deputy Borough Clerk
 Date: October 29, 2023

Approved for Release: November 2, 2023