

BOROUGH OF WESTVILLE
Regular Council Meeting
114 Crown Point Road
May 9, 2012 ~ 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Welsh at 7:01 p.m. and the Salute and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag then took place.

The Clerk read the notice that this meeting had been duly advertised in accordance with the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act" by sending notice to the Gloucester County Times of Woodbury, NJ and the Courier Post of Camden, NJ.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Russell W. Welsh, Jr., Council President Michael O. Ledrich, Council Members: Colleen T. Archer, Charles D. Murtaugh, William C. Packer, III, and Fritz H. Sims

Also Present: Administrator William J. Bittner, Jr., Municipal Clerk/Tax Collector Christine A. Helder, Public Works Manager Donna Domico, Captain William Whinna and Solicitor Scaffidi

Absent: Chief Fred Lederer and Councilman William Rebel

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Welsh presented Tony Halas, Secretary of the South Jersey Vietnam Veterans Association with a Proclamation honoring Vietnam Veteran Remembrance week. Assemblyman Gilbert Wilson also presented Mr. Halas with a Proclamation.

Mayor Welsh swore in the Parkview students who were participating in the *Youth in Government* program.

Mayor Jason Bobiak
Council Member Sajnin Akhter
Council Member Ashley Carosiello
Council Member Scott Leamy
Council Member Steven Richardson
Council Member Samantha Rusk
Council Member Raegan Sherwood
Municipal Clerk Dylan West
Tax Collector Hannah Pierce
Chief Financial Officer Paul Stinker
Borough Administrator Tristin Rettig
Chief of Police Joshua Aaron
Court Administrator Hunter Hampton
Municipal Judge Jared Clayton
Municipal Prosecutor Rebecca Melson
Public Defender Jordan Bell
Lion's Club Tail Twister Caitlin Pridgeon
Lion's Club President Danielle Brown
Solicitor Sean Vanore
Public Works Manager Meranda Paul
Fire Chief Logan Farley

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The meeting minutes of April 25, 2012 were approved on a motion made by Councilman Sims and seconded by Councilwoman Archer. *Motion unanimously approved by voice vote.*

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES FOR APRIL

Council President Ledrich made a motion to accept the reports as written and Councilman Packer seconded the motion. *Motion unanimously approved by roll call motion.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY - No comments received from the public.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business was reported.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ❖ Request from owners of Westwood Manor, 712 Broadway, LLC that interest be waived on Sewer Account No. 608-0 (\$104.50) and 608-1 (\$73.15) for reasons stated in their letter to the Borough received April 30th, 2012.

Municipal Clerk Helder stated the property owners at 712 Broadway always made their payments on time.

Councilman Murtaugh made a motion to approve the request and Council President Ledrich seconded the Motion. *Motion to approve the request was approved by unanimous voice vote.*

- ❖ RESOLUTION NO. 67-2012 ~ CREDIT INTEREST PAID ON SEWER ACCOUNT FOR 712 BROADWAY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$177.65

Motion to approve Resolution No. 67-2012 was made by Council President Ledrich and seconded by Councilman Packer. *Motion unanimously approved by roll call vote.*

- ❖ RESOLUTION NO. 64-2012 ~ AUTHORIZING THREE-YEAR AVERAGE TAX COLLECTION RATE IN THE CALCULATION OF THE RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES IN THE 2012 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Motion to approve Resolution No. 64-2012 was made by Councilman Sims and seconded by Councilman Murtaugh. *Motion unanimously approved by roll call vote.*

- ❖ ADOPTION OF 2012 BUDGET (Public Hearing took place April 25, 2012)

Motion to Adopt the 2012 Budget was made by Council President Ledrich and seconded by Councilman Packer. *Motion unanimously approved by roll call vote.*

- ❖ RESOLUTION NO. 65-2012 ~ RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 53-2012 AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Motion to approve Resolution No. 65-2012 was made by Councilman Sims and seconded by Councilwoman Archer. *Motion unanimously approved by roll call vote.*

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NEW BUSINESS:

- ❖ RESOLUTION NO. 66-2012 ~ APPROVING PAYMENT NO. 3 INCLUDING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT MODIFICATIONS FOR A.C. SCHULTES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,838.41

Motion to approve Resolution No. 66-2012 was made by Councilwoman Archer and seconded by Councilman Packer. *Motion unanimously approved by roll call vote.*

COMMUNICATIONS:

- ❖ Letter from Consulting Engineer Services regarding additional reimbursement for Critical Valve Repair
- ❖ Meeting Minutes - GCIA for March 15, 2012
- ❖ Meeting Minutes - GCUA for March 14, 2012

MONEY COLLECTED BY THE CLERK:

Death Certificate	\$415.00
Marriage Certificate	\$40.00
Marriage License	\$84.00
Police Accident Reports	\$53.10
Rental of Municipal Buildings	\$1,105.00
Notary	\$2.50
OPRA	\$.15
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$1,699.97</u>

BILLS & VOUCHERS:

The Clerk advised that the List of Bills was posted in the foyer.

A motion to dispense with reading of the bills was made by Councilman Packer and seconded by Councilman Sims. *Motion unanimously approved by voice vote.*

A motion to pay all bills and vouchers that are in order was made by Council President Ledrich and seconded by Councilman Murtaugh. *Motion unanimously approved by roll call vote.*

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comments from the Public

Parkview students read a description of their job duties

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COMMENTS FROM GOVERNING BODY & DEPARTMENT HEADS

- ❖ Public Works Manager Domico stated the Water Tower is down for painting and they are working off of the by-pass system. She also stated that she would like to have a Water Committee meeting to discuss the Flag on the Water Tower and also changing the color of the Tower.
- ❖ Councilwoman Archer thanked the Vietnam Veterans.
- ❖ Council President Ledrich thanked everyone for making the event a huge success.
- ❖ Councilman Murtaugh thanked all who attended.
- ❖ Municipal Clerk Helder invited everyone for refreshments and cupcakes that were donated by Piskers Bakery.
- ❖ Solicitor Scaffidi jokingly stated he had “no opinion”.
- ❖ Councilman Packer thanked all the public workers for the fine job they did converting 1035 Broadway to a Community Center.
- ❖ Councilman Rebel’s student congratulated the 6th grade class for a job well done.
- ❖ Councilman Sims congratulated the parents of the students for doing such a good job.
- ❖ Administrator Bittner’s stated everything is running just fine.
- ❖ Captain Whinna stated audio equipment has been purchased with the help of a Grant.
- ❖ Mayor Welsh thanked all the teachers at Parkview and the members of the Lions Club

COMMENTS FROM PARKVIEW AND THE LIONS CLUB

- ❖ Principal Egan thanked everyone who put out their time to show the students what it means to volunteer
- ❖ Liz Giuliano, President of the Lions Club thanked Mayor and Council and Borough Officials for their participation and cooperation during the Youth in Government Week. She also thanked the Parkview staff for their help in coaching the students and stated she looked forward to having the students over to dinner at the Lions Club.

Mayor Welsh thanked all the Lions Club members and Parkview School officials and acknowledged that the Youth in Government activities has been going on since 1948. Mayor Welsh also thanked the parents of the students for attending the event. He also noted that perhaps next year they could host the event at the new Court facility at 165 Broadway.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council President Ledrich and seconded by Councilwoman Archer at 7:34 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Christine A. Helder, CMC
Registered Municipal Clerk

Next meeting scheduled for June 13, 2012