BOROUGH OF WOODBINE

BOROUGH COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

501 Washington Avenue Woodbine, NJ 08270

Thursday, September 1, 2022 **WORKSHOP MINUTES**

Mayor Pikolycky called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Mayor Pikolycky read the opening statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act: "This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of September 1, 2022 was included in a list of meetings notice sent to The Press of Atlantic City and the Cape May County Herald on January 11, 2022 and advertised in said newspapers on January 14, 2022 and January 19, 2022 respectively, posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 11, 2022 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 filed 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."

The Pledge of Allegiance was let by Mayor Pikolycky.

Borough Council Roll Call

Council Member	Present	Absent
Council President Ortiz	\boxtimes	
Councilman Johnson	\boxtimes	
Councilman Bennett	\boxtimes	
Councilwoman Perez	\boxtimes	
Councilman Benson	\boxtimes	
Councilman Cruz	\boxtimes	
Quorum:	6	

Also Present:

Mayor William Pikolycky

Borough Solicitor Richard Tonetta, Esq.

Borough Engineer Bruce Graham, PE

Borough Special Engineer Jim Verna, Van Note Harvey Associates

Borough Grant Consultant Michael Zumpino, Triad Associates- Via Telephone

Borough Clerk Alexander Bauer, RMC

Borough Deputy Clerk Laurie Boyd

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

County Water Quality Management Plan- (Graham)Still under review

County Road Projects

(1) Route 611 (Tyler Road) (Graham) Still waiting for final federal approval before advertising for bids. Spring construction.

Open Space Eco-Park (Zumpino) Met with DCA Codes and Standards Division outcome was the only relief of surface issue will be a change of guidelines by legislature. The only alternative is to subdivide the portion of the playground that complies with Jake's Law guidelines from other parts of the playground. Waiting for DCA review. (Graham) Still working on having entire playground certified as Jake's Law through legislative measures.

Mobile Carrier Projects at Water Tower

- (1) AT&T Generator (Graham) Working on getting gas main in service and approved.
- (2) Dish Network (Graham) Still waiting for an escrow payment.

USDA Projects

- (1) Water Project
- (a) Contract #1 (Generator)- (Verna) 95%-96% complete. The generator failed testing before reaching capacity. South Jersey Gas has been contacted to resolve the problem. Requesting additional funding for additional work. (Zumpino) Meeting with USDA regarding the additional funding request for this project and the ECWAG project.
 - (b) Contract #2 (Verna) Closeout resolution on the current agenda.
 - (2) Asset Management Plan- (Graham) Still pending at DEP
- (3) Sewer Project- (Graham)- Requested a meeting with the DEP to make them aware of the borough's distress index and status as an overburdened community. Through the Environmental Justice Law the DEP is supposed to consider those factors and give priority consideration.
- (4) Airport Feasibility Study- (Zumpino) Working on a closeout. Following the necessary steps for additional funding. The study was reviewed by Kan Lui of DY Associates. An airport layout plan and cost estimate were completed so that FAA funding may be sought for a shovel ready project.
 - (5) Hat Factory Property (ECWAG) (Graham) additional funding is being sought.
 - (a) Contract #1 (UST)
 - (b) Contract #2 (PCB)

Adams Avenue/Franklin Street Project- (Verna) approval from DCA to advertise and comments from DOT have been received. Will be able to advertise by mid-September for an October contract award.

DeHirsch Avenue Project- (Verna) Closeout summary prepared. Jim Verna of Van Note Harvey will draft a letter indicating the rideability of the road is not up to standard and must be addressed.

Clay Street/Madison Avenue Project- (Graham) RFP's for engineering and grant administration received and working on submitting to DCA for concurrence with the prospect of awarding contracts at the next meeting.

DOT Sumner Avenue Bikeway-(Verna) Design going to local aid. (Graham) public hearing and second reading for easement on agenda of regular meeting.

DOT Transportation Study (Schwartz Study)- (Graham) completed. It was suggested considering adding the study as an amendment to the Master Plan. Discussion is on the agenda for the next Planning Board meeting.

DOT Pavement Preservation Pilot Program- Plan submitted waiting on DOT approval

Landfill Redevelopment Zone – Solar Project- (Zumpino) On a call for an update on Pinelands and discuss resources for clean fill to cap the old landfill. BPU issued a ruling rejecting NexAmp's request for an extension to the existing approval as a community solar municipality.

Abandoned Property Ordinance- Second Reading, Public Hearing, and final adoption on current agenda.

NJDEP Assignment of Municipal Stormwater from Tier B to Tier A- (Tonetta) Continued meetings and discussions with officials to discuss the issue of the change from Tier B to Tier A. (Graham) Upfront and ongoing costs of the change are being discussed. (Pikolycky) Borough took the lead on the issue and involved the League of Municipalities.

Public Comment Period for CMCMUA Modification and Renewal of Title V Operating Permit from July 11, 2022 to September 11, 2022- (Graham) Air quality permit renewal. The Fire Department has expressed concern about fire calls relating to the flare located on the grounds of the landfill.

Cannabis Escrow- (Graham) A conditional license was issued to Solar Cannabis, who now have 120 days to make it permanent. A letter stating the need for a \$7,500 escrow payment will be forwarded to the mayor.

Lead Based Paint Policy Program- In the process assembling information. (Bauer) Information was requested from the League of Municipalities as to how to proceed.

Water Installment Plan for Unpaid Charges: State law requires the Borough to offer residential customers an installment plan for unpaid water charges. Also, the DCA Low Income Household Water Assistance Program is taking applications from eligible households. Additional information is posted on the website or contact the Tax Collector.

NEW BUSINESS

Affordable Connectivity Program

Free Weatherization Program through Save Energy NJ

11th Annual Car Show & Swap Meet- October 8 9am-3pm

2021 Audit-

Register for League of Municipalities- Nov 15th-17th

Water Quality Letter- Revised water quality letter sent.

Carpino Property- (Tonetta) Escrow was requested.

Jif Fund Report- Report handed to council members.

Small Cities Application 2023- Project Madison Avenue reconstruction from DeHirsch to Clay. Waiting for more information regarding the application.

Railroad Trussell- Looking for DOT programs

Roots of Borough trees on personal property- Citizen questioned what the repercussions are if the tree is impacted by the removal of the tree roots.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pikolycky called for the meeting to adjourn.

Motion for:	Adjournment					
Vote Taken By:	☐ Roll	Call	☐ Voic	e	☐ Other:	
Roll Call	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Council President Ortiz			\boxtimes			
Councilman Johnson			\boxtimes			
Councilman Bennett			\boxtimes			
Councilwoman Perez			\boxtimes			
Councilman Benson		\boxtimes	\boxtimes			
Councilman Cruz	\boxtimes		\boxtimes			
Mayor Pikolycky [☐ Tie Vote Not Required]						
Decision:	APPROVED 0 - 0) 0			

Borough council workshop meeting was adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Alexander Bauer, RMC Date:	
Approved for Release:	