

**BOROUGH OF WOODBINE
WORKSHOP MEETING**

**OCTOBER 1, 2015
7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Pikolycky called the Workshop Meeting to order and read the following statement, “Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act by notifying the Press and The Herald on January 20, 2015 and posting a copy of said notice on the Clerk’s bulletin board.”

Those present were: Mayor Pikolycky; Councilpersons Ortiz, Murray, Bennett, Perez and Benson. Also present were: Richard Tonetta, Borough Solicitor; Bruce Graham, Borough Engineer and Lisa Garrison, Borough Clerk. Absent: Councilman Cruz

Mayor Pikolycky called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Unfinished Business –

Greater Woodbine Chamber of Commerce Car Show – October 10, 2015

NJ Complete Streets Summit – October 26, 2015 – New Brunswick

Shade Tree Federation Conference – October 23-24, 2015 – Atlantic City

League of Municipalities – November 17-19-2015

ACMJIF Elected Officials Liability Seminar – December 2, 2015 – Merighi’s Savoy Inn, Vineland – 5:30 p.m.

New Business –

Halloween was designated to be October 31, 2015 between the hours of 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Best Practices Checklist - Ms. Garrison reviewed the Best Practices Checklist and advised the Borough would be receiving the full amount of the remaining State Aid. She indicated if anyone had further questions they could contact her.

CMC League of Municipalities Meeting – October 27, 2015 – Wildwood – 7:00 p.m.

CMC Dept of Mosquito Control 100th Anniversary Celebration – October 23, 2015 – 35 Route 47, Dias Creek – 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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Mr. Graham reported there had been a pre-construction meeting held with the contractor, RTW, for the Heilprin Avenue project. The project is anticipated to start on October 12, 2015 and will replace storm drains. An additional application will be submitted to complete the rest of the drainage work.

Mr. Graham advised of the status of the FEMA Drainage Project. Punch list items are still remaining and there will be a final closeout once completed.

Mr. Graham updated Mayor and Council on the Pedestrian Safety Project for which the Borough received Discretionary Aid funds. Mr. Graham reviewed the plans for the bikeway, which is a meandering concept, that will connect to Phase I of the Open Space Project. Mayor Pikolycky advised that the County needs to be made aware of the Borough's plans as they will be going out to bid this coming spring for Webster Street. Mr. Graham will reach out to Dale Foster.

Mr. Graham reported on a Regional Bikeway System Round table he had attended which was for the purpose of laying out idea concepts for inter-connection of the systems.

Mr. Zumpino reported an application has been filed with Pinelands for funding of a conservation easement for Phase II of the Open Space project.

Mr. Zumpino indicated in September an application had been filed for a Small Cities grant in the amount of \$400,000 for improvements to the Head Start building which would increase the program activities and meet program standards. There was a site-visit held today by two (2) representatives from DCA which resulted in positive feedback.

Mr. Zumpino advised due to conservative bids for the Fire Station Improvements additional upgrades are able to be done and completion of the additional upgrades is anticipated to take two (2) months. There will be a change order for the next meeting.

Mr. Zumpino also reported the Borough will be applying for another USDA grant for an additional phase to the Food Bank project.

Mr. Zumpino updated Mayor and Council on the Sanitary Sewer project. He indicated that DHS is interested and sees the benefit of tying into a system. DHS will make it a priority in their 2017 budget.

Mr. Tonetta updated Mayor and Council on COAH and advised the orders have been received by Judge Johnson. All municipalities have been granted immunity from builders remedy litigation. The immunity has been granted for five (5) months and will be extended if the municipality is working to meet their obligation.

Mr. Tonetta indicated he is working with Verizon to update the outdated ordinance. All of the Borough's costs by statute will be paid by Verizon.

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Mr. Tonetta also updated on the Rutkowski bankruptcy matter. He has advised that the bankruptcy attorney, Mr. Grace, has indicated the post-petition bankruptcy amounts can be sold at tax sale and Ms. Garrison is currently working on it. He indicated negotiations are still ongoing with the Deputy Attorney General for a waiver on the EDA loan on the property.

On motion of Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Benson to adjourn the workshop meeting, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Garrison
Borough Clerk