

**BOROUGH OF STOCKTON
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
APPROVED: 10/13/14**

**REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Stockton was called to order by Mayor Stephen Giocondo at 7:04 pm on September 8, 2014. The following members of the Borough Council were present: Mr. Aaron Lipsen, Mr. Nic Messina and Mr. Tim Nemeth. Mrs. Kate Steffanelli and Mr. Donald Vandegrift were absent. Mr. Esposito arrived at 7:41pm. Borough Administrator/Clerk Michele Hovan was also present. There was one member of the public present.

Mayor Giocondo read the “Sunshine Statement” indicating the meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and led the flag salute. Mayor Giocondo opened the meeting to the public. Mr. John Anderson, JCP&L Area Manager, briefed the Mayor and Council on continued efforts by the utility to improve communications to the public and to local officials, discussed road opening/closure coordination with County OEM’s and plans to expand the substation at Rocktown. There being no questions or comments the meeting was closed to the public on motion by Mrs. Steffanelli, seconded by Mr. Lipsen and carried.

Discussion/Update – Well #3 Testing and Evaluation

There were no questions regarding the submitted update by the Borough Water Director.

Minutes – the minutes of the July 14, 2014 regular meeting were approved on motion by Mr. Nemeth, seconded by Mayor Giocondo, with Mr. Messina and Mr. Lipsen abstaining due to their absence. The minutes of the August 11, 2014 regular meeting were approved on motion by Mr. Lipsen, seconded by Mr. Messina and carried.

Claims for Payment

The Claims for Payment, as attached, was approved on motion by Mr. Nemeth, seconded by Mr. Messina and carried.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lipsen, Messina, Nemeth, Giocondo
 Nays: None
 Absent: Esposito, Steffanelli, Vandegrift
 Abstain: None

Mr. Esposito arrived to the meeting.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Giocondo reported that the State passed a law to enable greater enforcement on neglected foreclosed properties and he distributed a draft prepared by Mr. Butler for Council’s review. Mayor Giocondo asked if Council members could review the document and be prepared to discuss the ordinance at the next meeting. Discussion followed regarding fire hydrants and Mr. Lipsen said the inventory needs to be painted. Mayor Giocondo asked if that task could be offered to the fire department as a possible service for junior members. Discussion also included the Boy Scouts as an option. Mr. Nemeth said he would provide Mr. Lipsen with the contact information.

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Council Liaison Reports

Mr. Nemeth said that talked to NJSP Station Commander John Beyer regarding the utilization of Delaware Township Police for additional enforcement duties and that Commander Beyer had no objection. Mr. Nemeth said that he also spoke to Lt. Chris Kane from DTPD and that he would be setting up another meeting to discuss the idea.

Mr. Lipsen reported that he ordered and installed new fence posts in the park.

Mr. Messina said that he removed the trash cans from the tow path and placed them in the park by the storage building. Mr. Messina suggested the Borough consider a part-time worker for small tasks like garbage and signs and other limited tasks.

Mayor Giocondo announced the next meeting would be Monday, October 13, 2014. There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm on motion by Mr. Messina, seconded by Mr. Nemeth and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Hovan, RMC
Borough Clerk