

**BOROUGH OF STOCKTON
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
APPROVED: 11/13/17**

**REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Stockton was called to order by Mayor Timothy Nemeth at 7:34 pm on September 11, 2017. Mayor Nemeth read the “Sunshine Statement” indicating the meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and led the flag salute.

The following members of the Borough Council were present: Mr. Adam Juncosa, Mr. Aaron Lipsen and Mr. Don Vandegrift. Mr. Tony Grecco, Mr. Nic Messina and Mrs. Kate Steffanelli were absent. Borough Attorney Michael Butler and Borough Administrator/Clerk Michele Hovan were also present. There were no members of the public present.

Mayor Nemeth opened the meeting to the public for comments. There being no questions or comments, the meeting was closed to the public on motion by Mr. Vandegrift, seconded by Mr. Juncosa and carried.

Presentation – Verizon Wireless Request for Consent

Ms. Kathryn Windsor, Senior Site Acquisition Specialist for Tilco, acting on behalf of Verizon Wireless, presented Council with a summary of a project to install small network nodes in the public rights-of-way across NJ, largely on existing utility poles. Ms. Windsor stated that the nodes augment coverage and capacity, thus enabling the telecommunications company to provide better service, particularly in emergencies and said greater coverage was important since many households no longer have landlines. A broad but brief discussion followed. Ms. Windsor stated that municipal consent would be required but did not have a project timeline to offer. She stated she would be in contact again in the future once the details for Stockton Borough were decided. Mayor Nemeth thanked her for her time.

Minutes – the meeting minutes of the September 11, 2017 Regular Meeting were approved on motion by Mr. Lipsen, seconded by Mr. Juncosa and carried.

Resolutions – the following Resolutions, as listed below and as filed in the Borough Clerk’s office, were adopted on motion by Mr. Juncosa, seconded by Mr. Lipsen and carried unanimously:

2017-60	BAN Certificate of Determination and Award
2017-61	Best Practices Checklist 2017 Submission
2017-62	NJDOT SAGE filing – Hilltop Drive & Moore Street

Roll Call: Ayes: Juncosa, Lipsen, Vandegrift, Nemeth
 Nays: None
 Absent: Grecco, Messine, Steffanelli
 Abstain: None

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2016 Municipal Audit – Resolution Nos. 2017-63 and 2017-64, as filed in the Borough Clerk’s office and listed below were adopted on motion by Mr. Juncosa, seconded by Mr. Lipsen and carried.

Resolution No. 2017-63 - Acceptance of 2016 Municipal Audit
Resolution No. 2017-64 – Acceptance of Corrective Action Report

Roll Call: Ayes: Juncosa, Lipsen, Vandegrift, Nemeth
 Nays: None
 Absent: Grecco, Messine, Steffanelli
 Abstain: None

Claims for Payment – On motion by Mr. Juncosa, seconded by Mr. Vandegrift and carried, the claims for payment were approved.

Roll Call: Ayes: Juncosa, Lipsen, Vandegrift, Nemeth
 Nays: None
 Absent: Grecco, Messine, Steffanelli
 Abstain: None

Meeting Open to the Public – Hearing no comments or questions, motion to close the meeting to the public was set forth by Mr. Juncosa, seconded by Mr. Vandegrift and carried.

Council Liaison Reports

Mr. Lipsen inquired about the status of West Amwell Police Department as it was on the ballot to retain or be disbanded. Mr. Lipsen said he was trying to organize a meeting of the park subcommittee without success and was frustrated. Mayor Nemeth said that the issue with the crossing guard’s hours may be unresolved. Mr. Juncosa and Mr. Vandegrift discussed the electronics disposal project. Mayor Nemeth and Mr. Vandegrift mentioned a profanity incident and said that the police were aware.

Next Meeting

Mayor Nemeth announced the next Council meeting will be held on November 13, 2017, at 7:00PM. There being no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm on motion by Mr. Juncosa, seconded by Mr. Vandegrift and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Hovan, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk