

**BOROUGH OF STOCKTON  
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
APPROVED:**

**REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 11, 2018**

A Special Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Stockton was called to order by Mayor Timothy Nemeth at 7:08 pm on June 11, 2018. 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. Michael Mann, Mr. Nic Messina and Mr. Don Vandegrift were present. Mr. Paul Bergquist and Mr. Aaron Lipsen were absent. Borough Administrator/Clerk Michele Hovan was also present. There were no members of the public present.

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

Ordinance No. 18-03 – Lease Authorization for Use of the Howell Graveyard  
Second Reading/Public Hearing

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF STOCKTON IN HUNTERDON COUNTY AUTHORIZING, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14, A GROUND LEASE FOR THE HOWELL GRAVEYARD”

Ms. Hovan read Ordinance No. 18-03 by title and explained that the ordinance permits the execution of the lease with Mt. Amwell Project, Inc. and that the lease itself appears later on the agenda. In response to a question raised by Mr. Vandegrift, Mayor Nemeth stated that there has been no further communication from the neighbors since the initial contact over a year ago. Mayor Nemeth opened the meeting to the public. There being no questions or comments, the meeting was closed to the public on motion by Mr. Juncosa, seconded by Mr. Mr. Messina and carried.

Resolution No. 2018-40, as filed in the Borough Clerk’s office and to introduce Ordinance 18-03 was adopted on motion by Mr. Lipsen, seconded by Mr. Juncosa and carried.

Roll Call:       Ayes: Juncosa, Mann, Messina, Vandegrift  
                      Nays: None  
                      Absent: Bergquist, Lipsen  
                      Abstain: None

Ordinance No. 18-04 – Cable Franchise Renewal – First Reading

“AN ORDINANCE GRANTING RENEWAL OF MUNICIPAL CONSENT TO COMCAST TO CONSTRUCT, CONNECT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IN THE BOROUGH OF STOCKTON, NEW JERSEY”

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Ms. Hovan read Ordinance No. 18-04 by title and explained that it would authorize the renewal of the franchise agreement for Comcast to operate in the Borough and the ordinance is essentially unchanged from the version put forward back in 2016.

Resolution No. 2018-45, as filed in the Borough Clerk's office and to introduce Ordinance 18-04 was adopted on motion by Mr. Vandegrift, seconded by Mr. Mann and carried.

Resolutions

Resolution Nos. 2018-46 through 2018-50, as listed below and as filed in the Borough Clerk's office, were adopted on motion by Mr. Vandegrift, seconded by Mr. Juncosa and carried.

2018-46	Liquor License Renewal – Tilch Fine Wines LLC
2018-47	Liquor License Renewal – Strackhouse Restaurant LLC
2018-48	Personnel – CFO Tenure
2018-49	Shared Services Agreement – Municipal Court Services
2018-50	Lease Agreement with Mt. Amwell (Howell Graveyard)

Roll Call:       Ayes: Juncosa, Mann, Messina, Vandegrift  
                       Nays: None  
                       Absent: Bergquist, Lipsen  
                       Abstain: None

Claims for Payment – the claims for payment, as attached, were approved on motion by Mr. Messina, seconded by Mr. Vandegrift and carried, with Mr. Juncosa abstaining from approving payment of his own escrow charges.

Roll Call:       Ayes: Juncosa, Mann, Messina, Vandegrift  
                       Nays: None  
                       Absent: Bergquist, Lipsen  
                       Abstain: None

Discussion – Open Space Tax – Local Referendum

Ms. Hovan stated the draft language for the open space ballot question was provided, asked if it was acceptable, and said the resolution so authorizing the question would appear on the August agenda. There were no comments regarding the language. Mr. Vandegrift said that the results of the survey sent out about the park and recreation should mirror support at the polls.

Discussion – Drainage Issues – South Main

Ms. Hovan directed attention to a letter from the NJDEP that was sent to property owners on South Main regarding property, including bridges, that need to be removed to increase drainage and that the letter said the structures are on State property. Ms. Hovan said the letter was provided to the governing body in case any residents approached them about it.

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Mayor's Report – Mayor Nemeth said that the liquor store was asking about the no parking signs for Bridge Street and a short discussion followed regarding the whereabouts of the signs.

Mr. Vandgrift said that he was in the process of soliciting bids for the parking lot project in the park.

Mayor Nemeth announced that the next meeting would be held on July 9, 2018, at 7pm. There being no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm on motion by Mr. Juncosa, seconded by Mr. Vandegrift and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Hovan, RMC  
Borough Administrator/Clerk