



STOCKTON BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 6, 2025 7:00 P.M.

Held through Zoom

Mayor Aaron Lipsen., called the regular meeting of the Stockton Borough Council to order on October 06, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Lipsen announced that this meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was transmitted to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Trenton Times, was posted on the Borough Website, posted on the door at the Municipal Building and filed with the Borough Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Lipsen led those in attendance in the pledge to the nation's flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilperson Brown, Councilperson Fisher, (left meeting at 7:45) Councilperson Hunt, Councilperson Meltzer, , Mayor Aaron Lipsen, Borough Attorney Lisa Maddox and Borough Clerk, Laurie A. Courter. Absent: Council President Michael Mann,(excused) Councilperson Folz (excused).

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT – PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion by Brown, seconded by Meltzer to approve a resolution to go into executive session, all were in favor.

RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this governing body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Stockton Borough, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
Litigation update re: Affordable Housing: IMO the Application of the Borough of Stockton (Docket No. HNT-L-58-25).
Additional Funding for sewer generator A/B switch

The discussion is anticipated to take approximately 30 minutes. Action may be taken.
3. It is intended at this time that the above-stated subject matter will be made public when the matter has been resolved.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

A motion by Hunt and seconded by Meltzer to return to regular session was unanimously approved by voice vote.

ACTION ON ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Hunt and seconded by Brown to approve Resolution 2025-76.

Roll call: Brown, Hunt and Meltzer.

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

Motion passes.

Stockton Borough Council Resolution 2025-76

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #2 TO CONTRACT FOR NEW EMERGENCY GENERATOR FOR SEWER SYSTEM TO FOLEY, INC. NOT TO EXCEED ADDITIONAL \$12,350.00

WHEREAS, by Resolution #24-89 adopted on December 16, 2024, the Borough of Stockton awarded a contract to Foley, Inc. for the purchase and installation of a new emergency generator for its sewer system for the sum of \$137,430.00; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #25-59 adopted on June 19, 2025, the Borough Council approved Change Order #1 to authorize additional preparatory work for installation of the generator, specifically surveying, engineering and permitting services for an additional cost of \$18,825.00, thereby increasing the total contract amount to \$156,255.00; and

WHEREAS, in its original proposal, Foley, Inc. offered to furnish and install an A/B switch, which enables an automatic switch between the new generator and an alternate electric source (i.e., existing generator or emergency portable generator), creating added protection and safety in the event of mechanical failure, for an additional \$12,350.00, but at the time of execution of the original contract, this option was not elected; and

WHEREAS, the work under the contract has commenced, and Borough staff, along with the

Infrastructure Committee, have determined that there is a need for said A/B switch at this time; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stockton, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby incorporated as if fully restated.
2. The original contract with Foley, Inc. shall be amended to increase the contract price by an additional \$12,350.00 to enable the installation of A/B switch. This Resolution, when counter-signed by Foley, Inc., shall serve as Change Order #2 for the purpose of increasing the contract price for a total contract amount of \$168,605.00.
3. The scope of work for the additional work shall be as set forth in Foley, Inc.’s original proposal.
4. All remaining provisions of the original agreement between the parties not inconsistent herewith shall remain in full force and effect.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Hunt to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Laurie A. Courter

Laurie A. Courter, Borough Clerk