

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
September 10, 2019**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY Mayor DeStefano

OPENING STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act", pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice of this meeting has been advertised in the Hammonton Gazette and has been posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board showing the time and place of said meeting.

ROLL CALL: Councilpersons: Conway, Jantz, Arena and Hoffman

Also present: Mayor Lou DeStefano, Attorney John Carr and Jen Heller (Vince Poistina & Assoc.)

Absent: Councilman Pagano and Councilman Schenker

Mayor DeStefano asked for a moment of silence for those who lost their lives on September 11.

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES FROM August 13, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Hoffman

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM August 13, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Jantz

There was a roll call with ayes all.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM August 13, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Hoffman

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Mayor Destefano asked for a motion to approve the Plans & Specs for the 2019 Road Program. The motion was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Hoffman.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: No Comments

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

Reminder: Clerk's office is open until 7:00PM on Mondays.

Annual Shred Day is scheduled for September 14, 2019 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM at Borough Hall

Movie Night is scheduled for September 20, 2019 at 7:00PM.

RESOLUTIONS:

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
RESOLUTION NO 2019-88**

ROCK SALT CONTRACT AWARD

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Lead Agency of the Atlantic County Cooperative, advertising for sealed bids to be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing and delivering Rock Salt was received in June 14, 2019

WHEREAS, the winning bid was submitted by Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC, New Castle, PA 16001 at a price of \$56.88 per ton.

WHEREAS, participating members of the Cooperative must award and execute a new contract with the winning bidders;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Folsom that a contract for Rock Salt is awarded to Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC for Rock Salt at a price of \$56.88 per ton. The term of the contract shall be for a period commencing September 1, 2019 and terminating May 31, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC and sign the necessary agreements as representatives of Borough of Folsom.

There is no certification of the Chief Financial Officer attached hereto because this contract was bid as an open-ended contract and, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.5(c)(2)(ii), funds will be certified and encumbered on individual purchase order forms when submitted to the Purchasing Agent.

A motion to approve Resolution #2019-88 was made by Councilman Conway and seconded by Councilman Hoffman

There was a roll call vote with ayes all

**RESOLUTION 2019-89
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom hereby appoints resident Michelle Morris to the open seat on the Parks & Recreation Commission until 12/31/2020;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing appointment was adopted at the regular meeting of Mayor and Council on September 10, 2019 in the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey.

A motion to approve Resolution #2019-89 made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Hoffman

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2019-90

RESOLUTION EXCLUDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITHIN A PORTION OF A MEETING OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

WHEREAS, meetings of the Mayor and Borough Council are subject to the provisions of a Statute entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act" codified within N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, et. seq.;

WHEREAS, the said Act provides for public participation within all meetings, except those meetings or business which involve certain enumerated activities of a public body as further set forth in the said Statute; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to discuss and act upon matters subject to the exclusions of said Act under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10-4-12, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Act hereinabove recited provides that a public body may exclude public participation within any meeting wherein such matters may be discussed or acted upon provided that a Resolution be adopted at a meeting to which the public is admitted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, as follows:

A. The public shall and will be excluded from that portion of a meeting conducted by the Borough Council on Tuesday, September 10, 2019, pertaining to matters contemplated in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 et seq., and to specifically include a matter under N.J.S.A.10:4-12(7) (8) possible litigation and a personnel matter.

B. Directing the Clerk to separately record the minutes of that portion of the aforesaid meeting dealing with such matters and retain same within a confidential file until such time that those matters have been fully acted upon by the Borough Council.

A motion to approve Resolution #2019-90 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Arena

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: John Carr distributed to Mayor and Council his written report earlier in the week. Mr. Carr reviewed the report with Council. Mr. Carr updated Mayor and Council on tax appeals. Mr. Carr stated that Bill Johnson the tax assessor does a great job.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Councilman Jantz read the fire report.

August 8 th	Alarm System	E. Collings Drive	17 Members Responding
August 9 th	Alarm System	Rt 54	15 Members Responding
August 11 th	Vehicle Fire	Rt 322	21 Members Responding
August 13 th	Public Assist	South River Drive	16 Members Responding
August 21 st	Vehicle Accident	E. Collings Drive	18 Members Responding
August 22 nd	Alarm System	Mays Landing Rd.	22 Members Responding
August 22 nd	Alarm System	Mays Landing Rd	17 Members Responding
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August the annual hose test along with ground ladder testing was completed. The department also participated in the county 4H Fair displaying our antique truck one night as well as our new engine on another night. Fire school started for some of the members wishing to take classes. New radios were installed in 4 of the trucks which will allow us to start utilizing the counties 800 radio system. Just a reminder anyone needing smoke detectors should contact the fire department or contact your town hall which can forward the information. Again, we are in the station every Tuesday night and we encourage folks to stop by and check us out. We also post information on our Facebook page, Twitter and our website clfd123.org.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: (Jen Heller)

Action Items:

NJDOT FY2019 Municipal Aid Project:

The plans and specifications for the 2019 Road Program - Resurfacing of Backline Road have been forwarded to the NJDOT for review and approval. The project begins on Backline Road, just south of the intersection at Memory Lane (where the 2018 Road Program ended), and continues south to 13th Street. Within the project limits, there are two pipe crossings and the plans do specify the replacement of the existing pipes.

NJDOT FY2018 Municipal Aid Project:

The construction work has been completed for the 2018 Road Program and the municipal building parking lot. The Contractor has submitted pay estimates for the work completed for payment.

Current Projects:

NJDOT - 2018 TAP Program - Folsom 13th Street Pedestrian Path Project

We will submit a proposal to the Borough for the costs associated with the construction management of the project since construction management was not funded by the grant.

Planning Board Resolution #2019-8:

The Planning Board would like Council to consider amending Section 200-40.1 of the Borough Code to address the current technology for wireless communication and to preserve the rural character of the Borough.

Review of the Ordinance changes, as updated by the Pinelands Commission on June 10, 2019:

In a discussion with the Pinelands Commission, they have offered some clarifications on the issues raised regarding the consistency of the ordinance and the Master Plan Re-examination Report. A re-wording of the language in §200-17.1A(8) will allow for the single family dwellings existing at the time of the adoption of the ordinance, to be a permitted use and no other residential is permitted within the RDC zone. While the Pinelands Commission did review the Master Plan Re-examination Report and supported the creation of the new RCD zone, the Commission did not want to delay the adoption of the report, so it was suggested that the Borough move forward with the adoption of report and that revisions to the ordinances would be needed prior to ordinance adoption.

Mayor DeStefano inquired about the crooked striping of the Borough parking lot. Mayor Destefano asked for “No Parking Signs” across the back of the lot to prevent people from blocking the road and the entrance to the park.

MAYOR’S REPORT: No report

COUNCIL MEMBER’S REPORTS:

Councilman Greg Conway: thanked John (DPW) and his crew on the loss control report survey conducted by the JIF. The report stated that the Borough has great housekeeping and safety training and there is no need for improvement. Greg reported that he attended a webinar regarding our Social Media policy and distributed to Council some changes he thinks would be good for the Borough.

Councilman Ken Jantz: stated he did not agree with the Parks Commission on the placement of the Veteran’s Memorial. Ken asked residents to report any lights out to the Borough Hall or visit the Borough website.

Councilman Pagano: absent

Councilman Arena: updated Council on Parks & Rec.meeting. Councilman reported that the Parks Commission agreed to place the Veterans Memorial behind Borough Hall at right center field behind the fence. Charlie reported that the Community Garden has been cleaned up and thanked Jake Blazer for that.

Councilman Arena discussed the field lighting issue with the fall teams. Charlie stated that he feels the Borough should not be paying for lights for practice in the fall. They should be turned on for games only. Charlie encouraged anyone to come and discuss this issue with him.

Councilman Hoffman: reported that he received the quotes from the contractors to repair the plumbing in the restrooms. Councilman Hoffman requested approval to move forward with the quote from Bruce Bellace for \$6494.00. Councilman Hoffman made a motion to approve and seconded by Council Jantz. All in favor vote. Councilman Hoffman made a public announcement and asked residents to remove the portable basketball nets off the roadway and place back on your property. Jim asked the kids not to play in the streets.

Councilman Schenker: absent

PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS ONLY:

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Ron Esposito (**2102 Laurel Lane**) commented on Councilman Hoffman's concern over the portable basketball nets with regards to placing in the park.

PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$448,609.81

A motion to approve payment was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Conway

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Mayor DeStefano reminded the public that all other monthly reports are on file in the minute book and to please visit the Borough website with updated information along with the Folsom Borough Facebook Page.

The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 starting with the workshop meeting at 6:00 pm and continuing immediately thereafter with the regular meeting at Borough Hall, 1700 12th Street, Folsom, NJ.

Council entered into an executive session at 7:46PM

Council returned from executive session at 8:02PM

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 8:04PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto
Municipal Clerk

