

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
March 10, 2020**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:35PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY Mayor Greg Schenker

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, Porretta, Arena, Hoffman and Blazer

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

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES FROM February 11, 2020

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

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM February 11, 2020

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

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Mayor Schenker asked for a moment of silence for Folsom residents Paul Barrie and Dorothy Schellhas

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: Charles Eby (1213 Mays Landing Rd.) asked Mayor and Council if anything can be done to stop the speeding on Backline Rd.

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

Next e-waste drop-off day is March 14, 2020 from 8:00am to 1:00pm at the Borough Garage.

Free Rabies Clinic will be held on March 21, 2020 at Borough Garage from 9:00am until 11:00am. We will be renewing dog/cat licenses at the Clinic.

Borough Hall will be closed on April 10, 2020 in observance of Good Friday.

ORDINANCES:

(Second Reading/Adoption)

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE 02-2020**

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE AND AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SALE OF SAME PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A: 12-13 ET SEQ.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that the attached parcels of real property set forth in the annexed Exhibit A (attached hereto and hereby incorporated herein by reference) are no longer needed for public use and that the same shall be placed for sale to the highest bidder;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that such sale shall be subject to reasonable conditions set forth by the Borough Council, sale to be subject to confirmation at the next succeeding Borough of Folsom Council Meeting following the sale, sales shall be “as is and where is” and bidders shall be instructed and strongly recommended to by way of illustration and not limitation, “undertake due diligence with regard to the subject properties including confirmation of the suitability of the subject properties for a Buyer’s particular use, zoning, survey and title issues”. The Borough of Folsom Council shall reserve the right to reject all bids if the highest bid is not accepted;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that no representation is made by the Borough as to the potential use of any property or as to the condition of any property to include any and all environmental constraints and/or title. A successful bidder shall be required to deposit 10% of the purchase price in either cash or certified funds on the date of sale and the balance of the purchase shall be paid in cash or certified funds within 30 days of the Borough Council’s acceptance of the bid.

Section One. Repealer. All former Ordinances of the Borough of Folsom which are in conflict with the provisions contained in this Ordinance are hereby repealed upon the adoption of this Ordinance.

Section Two. Severability. If any part or parts of this Ordinance are held to be invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section Three. This Ordinance shall take effect after final approval and publication as required by law.

LIST OF PROPERTIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE

Block	Lot	Location	Minimum Price
2202	11	4 th Road	\$1,300.00

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion to approve Ordinance#2-2020 was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
ORDINANCE 03-2020**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2020
AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom in the County of Atlantic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2020 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$10,378.25 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized herein above that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, in the County of Atlantic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2020 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Folsom shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5

%, amounting to \$1,074,195 and that the CY 2020 municipal budget for the Borough of Folsom be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion to approve Ordinance#3-2020 was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Jantz

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
ORDINANCE 04--2020**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND FIXING SALARIES FOR VARIOUS
OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM, COUNTY OF
ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The annual salaries and compensation for the various Borough officials, officers, and employees of the Borough of Folsom, listed below, shall be as follows for calendar year 2020:

Salaried Positions			
Borough Clerk	\$25,000	-	\$50,000
Chief Financial Officer	\$4,000	-	\$17,000
Council Member	\$1,700	-	\$3,000
Code Enforcement	\$1,800	-	\$5,000
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	\$300	-	\$1,500
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$15,000	-	\$35,000
Emergency Management Coordinator	\$500	-	\$1,500
Mayor	\$2,200	-	\$3,900
Municipal Administrative Assistant	\$15,000	-	\$50,000
Social Media Manager	\$100	-	\$500
Tax Assessor	\$6,500	-	\$17,000
Tax Collector	\$6,500	-	\$18,000
Zoning Official	\$1,800	-	\$5,000

Hourly Positions:		-	
Part-time Laborer	\$9.00	-	\$15.00
Public Works Laborer	\$9.00	-	\$20.00
Superintendent of Public Works	\$10.00	-	\$30.00

SECTION II. The salaries and wages hereby established shall be on a bi-weekly basis with the exception of Mayor and Council, which shall be quarterly, unless otherwise specified.

SECTION III. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 2020, and shall apply to employees continually employed since January 1, 2020.

SECTION IV. Any Ordinance or part of an Ordinance inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION V. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion to approve Ordinance#4-2020 was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Conway

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION 2020-42
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**A RESOLUTION SETTING THE SALARIES OF THE EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF
THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Folsom has adopted a salary ordinance setting salary ranges for the various positions in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, each employee and official of the Borough will receive compensation within that range; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough to formally approve the salary rate for each employee and official of the Borough.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom that the following employee and official salaries are hereby approved for the year 2020, retroactive to January 1, 2020 for all employees continually employed by the Borough.

Employee

All Members of Council

Salaried Positions

Council Member

\$3,000

Schenker, Greg	Mayor	\$3,900
Cappuccio, Bertha	Tax Collector	\$17,240
Carroll, Susan	Deputy Clerk	\$26,528
DeYoung, Catherine	Municipal Administrative Assistant	\$48,179
Gatto, Patricia	Borough Clerk	\$47,569
Johnson, Bill	Tax Assessor	\$15,924
Bauer, Alexander	Zoning Officer & Code Official	\$5,525
Bauer, Alexander	Emergency Mgmt Coordinator	\$800
Social Media Manager	Social Media Manager	\$500
Smith, Kyle	Deputy Emergency Mgmt Coordinator	\$300
Stollenwerk, Dawn	Chief Financial Officer	\$16,646

Hourly Rates

LaPollo, John	Superintendent Public Works	\$27.44
Stadtmueller, Kevin	Public Works Laborer	\$18.03
Hadoulis, Chris	Public Works Laborer	\$17.34

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-42 was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Conway

There was a roll call vote with ayes all

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO P.L. 2017, C.183 OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"

**GROUP AFFIDAVIT FORM FOR MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES
NO PHOTO COPIES OF SIGNATURES**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
COUNTY OF *Atlantic*

We, members of the governing body of the Borough of Folsom being duly sworn according to law, upon our oath depose and say:

1. We are duly elected members of the Borough of the Folsom in the county of Atlantic;
2. Pursuant to P.L. 2017, c.183, we have familiarized ourselves with the contents of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012);
3. We are familiar with the local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history;
4. We certify that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance.

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The Municipal Clerk shall set forth the reason for the absence of signature of any members of the governing body.

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION’S
“Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment
Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964”**

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
RESOLUTION# 2020-43**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit’s hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s “Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964,” *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit’s hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual’s criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Borough of Folsom, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit’s hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-43 made by Councilman Conway and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
RESOLUTION #2020-44
A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF
WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

WHEREAS, the year 2020 marks the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, guaranteeing and protecting women's right to vote; and

WHEREAS, this centennial offers an opportunity to commemorate a milestone of democracy; that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the federal or state governments on account of gender; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has had a long, storied history in the suffrage movement with New Jersey women playing a crucial role in pursuing the rights of women to vote; and

WHEREAS, in 1776 women property owners were enfranchised under the New Jersey State Constitution, which was unique in the nation at the time. However, in 1807, the New Jersey Legislature eliminated the property requirement for voting rights and limited the ballot to white males; and

WHEREAS, in 1867 New Jersey residents Lucy Stone and Harry Blackwell organized the New Jersey Woman Suffrage Association (NJWSA), devoted to gaining women's suffrage; and

WHEREAS, in 1909 New Jersey's first open air suffrage rallies were held in Orange and Newark, led by Dr. Emma O. Gantz and Martha Klatshchken with NJWSA collecting 5,000 signatures for a petition in support of the federal amendment guaranteeing and protecting women's constitutional right to vote; and

WHEREAS, although the 1912 state referendum on woman's suffrage was soundly defeated in the New Jersey Legislature a corner was turned for the New Jersey suffrage movement; and

WHEREAS, in 1913 an automobile rally led by "General" Rosalie Jones traveled through New Jersey on the way to Washington, D.C., in a Suffrage Parade of over 8,000 marchers with many New Jersey women including event organizer Alice Paul; and

WHEREAS, in 1915 a second suffrage constitutional referendum was pursued in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts with active campaigns by many suffrage organizations, including the "Passing of the Torch of Liberty" via tug boats on the Hudson River from New York to New Jersey, but was defeated in all four states October 1915; and

WHEREAS, in 1917 New Jersey suffragists Allison Turnbull Hopkins, Julia Hulburt, Beatrice Reynolds Kinkead, and Minnie D. Abbott picketed in front of the White House as part of the Silent Sentinels and subsequently were arrested and imprisoned; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 1919 Congress passed the 19th Amendment guaranteeing all American women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 1920, New Jersey became the 29th state to ratify the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, shortly after the ratification of the 19th Amendment Margaret Laird and Jennie Van Ness were the first two women elected to the New Jersey Assembly in 1921 and in 1925 Rebecca Estelle Bourgeois Winston of Estell Manor was New Jersey's first woman mayor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Ratification of the 19th Amendment (insert name of municipality) will light the municipal building in purple, one of the colors of the New Jersey Suffrage movement, for the week of February 10; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the (insert the name of municipality) supports the efforts of New Jersey's Suffrage Centennial NJ Women Vote and strongly encourages local celebrations of this historic milestone; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Governor, Secretary of State and New Jersey League of Municipalities.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-44 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-45
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE POLICY FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYERS

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom situate in Atlantic County from time to time updates its personnel policies for purposes of seeking to stay current with updated laws and case law; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Insurance Fund prepared and forwarded the form of Domestic Violence Policy for Public Employers as is annexed hereto (A); and,

WHEREAS, on recommendation of the Joint Insurance Fund and the Risk Manager for the Borough of Folsom, the Borough of Folsom hereby adopts by Resolution the updated Domestic Violence Policy for Public Employers in a form as is annexed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that the updated Domestic Violence Policy for Public Employers is hereby adopted.

THIS RESOLUTION was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom on March 10, 2020.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-45 made by Councilman Blazer and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
RESOLUTION 2020-46**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF BOROUGH OWNED
LAND**

WHEREAS, the property identified as Block 2202, Lot 11 is owned by the Borough of Folsom and is not needed for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to sell such land to generate revenue, reduce taxes and reduce liabilities; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to advertise this land for public sale to the highest bidder in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Borough Clerk is authorized, subject to the conditions set forth herein, to offer for sale by public auction all of the Borough's right, title and interest in and to the property located at Block 2202, Lot 11 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.
2. The minimum bid for Block 2202, Lot 11 is one thousand three hundred dollars and no cents (\$1300.00). No bid less than the minimum amount set forth will be considered.
3. The Borough Clerk is authorized to notify by letter the contiguous owners of record in accordance with the current tax assessments and to advise each such contiguous owner of the lot being offered for sale. The failure, however, to notify any contiguous owner shall not invalidate the sale. The Borough Clerk is further authorized to notify by letter or telephone any other property owners, real estate developers, builders, real estate brokers and agents, and other potentially interested parties and other potentially interested parties as the Borough Clerk may deem appropriate.
4. The property being offered for public sale hereunder is not necessary for public municipal purposes and the best interest of the public shall be served in selling said property by public sale to the highest bidder at or above the minimum price set forth in paragraph 2 above, with the Borough Council reserving the right to accept or reject or otherwise remove the lot from sale. The public sale shall take place on April 6, at 6:00p.m. at the Folsom Borough Hall, 1700 12th Street (Route 54) Folsom, NJ 08037. Bids shall be received by the Borough Clerk in accordance with procedures to be announced by the Borough Clerk. A deposit by certified check, bank check or money order made payable to the Borough of Folsom in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the bid must be paid by the successful bidder at the time of the sale. The Clerk may by the announcement made at the time and place scheduled for the public sale adjourn the sale to another date and time and such announcement shall be deemed adequate notice to all interested parties.
5. All bids shall be referred to the Borough Council for review and final approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 and the Borough reserves the right to accept the highest bid or to reject any and all bids for any property. The deposits with respect to any unsuccessful bid and any rejected bid shall be returned.
6. The successful bidder shall be responsible for the cost of preparation of the deed of conveyance and any related documents for the transfer of title, not to exceed \$150.00. The balance of the purchase price, together with cost of preparation of the deed of conveyance and related documents for the transfer of title must be paid by certified check, bank check or money order made payable to the Borough of Folsom and provided to the Borough Clerk within ten (10) days of the date of sale. The successful bidder shall be responsible for the recording of the deed and for the cost of such recording.

7. A bargain and sale deed without covenants shall be delivered at the Office of the Borough Clerk on or before 45 days after the sale. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said deeds and other conveyance documents and the Borough Attorney is authorized to prepare such deeds and documents.
8. In addition to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the successful bidders agree to the imposition of the following conditions by the Borough:
 - a. In the event that the successful bidder fails to close title, the bidder agrees to forfeit to the Borough any and all monies deposited with the Borough.
 - b. The Borough does not warrant or certify title to the property and in no event shall the Borough be liable for any damages to the successful bidder if title is found defective or unmarketable for any reason, and the bidder waives any and all rights and damages or by way of liens against the Borough, the sole remedy being the right to receive a refund prior to closing a title of the deposit paid and in the event title is found defective or unmarketable. It is the right of the successful bidder to examine title prior to closing. In the event of closing and a later finding of a defect of title, the Borough shall not be required to refund any money or correct any defect in title and shall not be held liable for damages. Acceptance of an offer to purchase shall constitute a binding agreement by the bidder and the successful bidder shall be deemed obligated to comply with the terms and conditions contained herein.
 - c. The deed of conveyance shall be subject to all matters of record which may affect title, what an accurate survey would reveal, the Ordinances of the Borough of Folsom, and the reservation of an easement for all natural or constructed drainage systems, swales, pipes, drains, inlets, waterways and easements, if any, on the land and a continued right of maintenance and flow thereof. The Borough shall be without obligation to provide access, public or private, or to provide any improvements.
 - d. The deed will contain a covenant that neither the purchaser nor any future owner or potential developer of the lot may assert a claim against the Borough of Folsom based upon the inability to develop or use the lot including, but not limited to, a claim for inverse condemnation or damages of any kind.
 - e. The Borough makes no warranties whatsoever regarding said lands and assumes no responsibility for environmental conditions, known or unknown, regarding said lands. The bidder shall be responsible for the exercise of due diligence in determining the condition of the land, including but not limited to, the determination of any title conditions, environmental conditions, zoning and development restrictions and any other condition or restriction that might impact the use of the land.
9. The Borough Clerk, the Mayor and the Borough Attorney are authorized to prepare and execute any and all such documents and to take any and all such actions as may be required to effect the transactions set forth herein.
10. The Borough Clerk shall file with the Director of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs any required affidavits verifying the publications of the advertisements required by N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b).

11. The sale of such lands is subject to applicable New Jersey Law concerning the disposition of municipal real estate and all other applicable laws and ordinances of the State of New Jersey and the Borough of Folsom.
12. All potential sales are subject to final approval by the Borough Council.
13. The Borough reserves the right to waive any and all defects, informalities and irregularities in any bid. The Borough further reserves the right to reject all bids in each instance where the highest bid is not accepted and to, in its discretion, readvertise the property for sale. No bid shall be considered finally accepted until confirmed by the Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Resolution shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-46 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Conway

There was a roll call votes with ayes all

**RESOLUTION 2020-47
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND READ THE BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2020 was approved on the 10th day of March, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the it is the desire of the Borough of Folsom governing body to read the budget by title only, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been set for April 14, 2020 and will be advertised as such; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this Resolution was approved by the Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, at 1700 12th St., Folsom, NJ on the 10th day of April, 2020 at 6:00pm.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-47 made by Councilman Jantz and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call votes with ayes all

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: John Carr reviewed his report that he sent Council earlier in the week.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Councilman Jantz read the Fire Chief's report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: (Jen Heller)

CDBG/ACIA 2020 Funding Application:

The ACIA has their annual kick-off meeting next week for the CDBG funding projects for 2020. The Borough should begin the process of selecting an eligible project for the 2020 funding cycle. Applications for 2020 funding are due in mid-April. A resolution authorizing the Borough to participate in the funding program will be required for the submission and this resolution should be adopted at the April 14, 2020 meeting.

NJDOT FY2019 Municipal Aid Project:

The Contractor has installed the drainage improvements on Backline Road. The cause of the sinkhole at 1410 Backline Road was found and has been fixed and an old seepage pit was found and removed during construction. Now that the drainage improvements have been completed, the Contractor will allow for the minimum 30 days for the settlement period and once the weather is ideal, the roadway will be paved. We anticipate that the construction will be completed by the late spring/early summer.

NJDOT FY2020 Municipal Aid Project:

We have submitted a proposal for the design and construction management of the FY2020 Municipal Aid project for the resurfacing of Lake Drive and North Pinewood. Once the proposal is accepted by the governing body, we will begin the survey.

2018 TAP Grant - Bike Path Project:

The NJDOT has finalized their approved list of consultants for the 2018 TAP Grant Design Assistance Program and a meeting was held at the end of February. The Borough must select one of the four qualified consultants for the work.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor asked for a motion from Council to pick one of the design firms on the State Certified List. Councilman Hoffman made a motion to approve GPI and Councilman Conway seconded that motion. Greg asked all residents to complete the 2020 census. Mayor Schenker reported that the Borough will be having an open forum at the next Council meeting to discuss the support of the second amendment resolution. Greg read a resignation letter from Parks & Rec Chair Ron Esposito. Greg thanked Ron for all his years of service to the Borough. Greg wished everyone a Happy Easter.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORTS:

Councilman Conway: Greg discussed banning the use of plastic bags and asked Council to decide if we should accept or reject the use at the next Council meeting.

Councilman Jantz: Ken reported that two lights were repaired this month and asked residents to report any outages to Borough Hall or visit the website.

Councilman Porretta: Mike reported that the Environmental Commission is sponsoring an Arbor Day Contest. Mike also reported that the Commission is also working on a grant for a pollinator garden.

Councilman Arena: Charlie reported that the Parks & Rec budget was reduced, however DPW still has their Parks fund to work from if anything is needed.

Councilman Hoffman: Jim attended the ACUA Hazardous Waste event. Jim stated that he thought it was a very successful event. Jim reminded residents to recycle properly.

Councilman Blazer: Jake reported that April 1 is Folsom Community Garden Opening day and March 28, 2020 is clean-up day. Jake reported that the land sale committee gave a report to Council on which properties the Borough has available to sell.

PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS ONLY:

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: NONE

PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$197,774.85

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

Mayor Greg Schenker reminded the public that all other monthly reports are on file in the minute book.

The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 starting at 6:00 pm in Borough Hall, 1700 12th Street, Folsom, NJ. There will be a public forum starting at 5:30 on the Second Amendment Resolution.

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto
Municipal Clerk

