### BOROUGH OF FOLSOM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES February 11, 2015

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:44PM** 

### SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY Mayor Lou DeStefano

**OPENING STATEMENT:** Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the open public meeting act, pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said 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 Smith, Jantz, Pagano, Arena, Veneziani and Gummoe

**Also present:** Mayor Lou DeStefano, Solicitor Keith Bonchi, Solicitor Fran Ballak, Engineer Gary Auer, CFO Dawn Stollenwerk and Superintendent John Lapollo

Citizen of the Year Award Presentation. Mayor DeStefano presented the award to Al Effinger for all his years of service to the Community.

Mr. Effinger thanked Mayor and Council for the award. Mr. Effinger congratulated all the new Council members and wished them good luck in the future.

### **APPROVAL OF THE WORKSHOP MINUTES January 14, 2015**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Pagano

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM January 14, 2015**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Pagano and seconded by Councilman Gummoe.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

### APPROVAL OF THE EXEUTIVE SESSION MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 10, 2014

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pagano

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the abstention of Councilman Arena

### APPROVAL OF THE EXEUTIVE SESSION MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 10, 2014

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Pagano

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the abstention of Councilman Arena and Councilman Jantz

### APPROVAL OF THE RE-ORGANIZATION MEEING FROM JANUARY 7, 2015.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Pagano and seconded by Councilman Smith

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:** No comments

### MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC

**CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE**: Ms. Gatto reminded residents that the Free Rabies Clinic will be held on March 21, 2015 from 9:00am until 11:00am. We will be renewing pet licenses at the clinic.

### **ORDINANCES:** (Introduction/First Reading)

### BOROUGH OF FOLSOM ORDINANCE 01-2015

# 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 Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The annual salaries of the officials, officers, and employees of the Borough of Folsom listed below shall be as follows:

<b>Salaried Positions</b>			
Borough Clerk	\$25,000	-	\$45,000
Building Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	-	\$4,000
Chief Financial Officer	\$4,000	-	\$15,000
Construction Official	\$2,500	-	\$5,000
Council Member	\$1,700	-	\$2,500
Court Administrator	\$20,000	-	\$45,000
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	\$500	-	\$1,500
Electrical Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	-	\$4,000
Emergency Management Coordinator	\$500	-	\$1,500
Fire Safety Officer	\$1,000	-	\$1,800
Fire Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	-	\$4,000
Judge (based on 24 sessions annually)	\$1.00	-	\$12,000

Additional sessions (maximum 4)	\$350 per		Session
Mayor	\$2,200	_	\$3,300
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	_	\$4,000
Tax Assessor	\$6,500	_	\$14,500
Tax Collector	\$6,500	-	\$16,000
Zoning Officer	\$1,800	-	\$4,500
Hourly Positions:		_	
Administrative Assistant	\$8.38	_	\$14.50
Deputy Clerk	\$10.00		\$14.50
Deputy Court Administrator	\$8.50		\$14.50
Municipal Administrative Asst	\$25.00		\$75.00 per
•			session
Part-time Laborer	\$8.38	-	\$10.50
Public Works Laborer	\$8.38	-	\$20.00
Supervisor Public Works	\$10.00	-	\$24.60
UCC Technical Asst/Planning & Zoning	\$10.00	-	\$14.50
Secretary			
Interpreter	\$25.00	-	\$50.00 per session

Section 2. The salaries and wages hereby established shall be on a bi-weekly basis with the exception of Mayor and Council, and Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, which shall be quarterly.

Section 3. The provision of this Ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 2015.

Section 4. Any Ordinance or part of Ordinance inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, held on February 11, 2015. Said Ordinance was approved for final adoption at a public hearing held in the Borough of Folsom Municipal Building, 1700 12<sup>th</sup> St., Folsom, NJ on March 11, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

A motion to approve was made by Councilman Pagano and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani

### BOROUGH OF FOLSOM ORDINANCE 02-2015

# CALENDAR YEAR 2015 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, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 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 1.5% 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 2015 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 \$18,921.00 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 2014 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 \$1,026,261, and that the CY 2015 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.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, held on February 11, 2015 and said Ordinance was approved for final adoption at a public hearing held in the Borough of Folsom Municipal Building, 1700 12<sup>th</sup> St., Folsom, NJ on March 11, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

A motion to approve was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Jantz

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

### **BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

### **ORDINANCE NO. #-3-2015**

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 155 RECYCLING ARTICLE 1: RECYCLING PROGRAM SECTION 155-3, ESTABLISHMENT OF MANDATORY SEPARATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Folsom (Folsom) seeks to amend and revise certain provisions of the code of the Borough of Folsom pertaining to the list of recyclable materials which must be removed from the municipal solid waste stream by all persons within the Borough of Folsom as such have been designated within the Atlantic County District Solid Waste Management Plan to be source separated for the purpose of recycling; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED,** by the Council of the Borough of Folsom that the following provisions of the code of Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, is hereby amended as follows:

Section I: Chapter 155, Article 1, Recycling Program, Section 155-3, Establishment of Mandatory Separation Program should be amended to read as follows:

### Section 155 – 3 Establishment of Mandatory Separation Program

There is hereby established a program for the mandatory separation of the following recyclable materials from the municipal solid waste stream by all persons within the Borough of Folsom.

- A. Aluminum can
- B. Ferrous containers
- C. Glass containers
- D. Newspapers
- E. Leaves, grass and brush
- F. Plastic bottles and jugs imprinted with a "1" or "2"
- G. White goods

- H. Asphalt and concrete
- I. Propane tanks
- J. Consumer electronics
- K. Motor oil, kerosene and number 2 home heating oil
- L. Antifreeze
- M. Sealed lead acid (SLA batteries)
- N. Consumer rechargeable batteries
- O. Tires
- P. Paper products
- Q. Aerosol containers
- R. Auto/truck bodies
- S. Block/brick
- T. CFC refrigerants
- U. Florescent bulb
- V. Oil-contaminated soil
- W. Oil filters
- X. Textiles

**AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** all Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies,

**AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** Should any sentence, clause, phrase or provision of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** this Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, publication and adoption in the manner prescribed by law.

	<b>NOTICE IS HEREBY GIV</b>	EN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed
on the	reading, on	, 2015 at a regular meeting of the Borough
Counc	il in the Borough of Folsom, C	County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey. This Ordinance
shall t	ake effect according to law after	er final passage and publication.

A motion to approve was made by Councilman Gummoe and seconded by Councilman Pagano

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

There was a motion to table Ordinance#04-2015 by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Smith

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

### RESOLUTION 2015-31 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

### A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FILING OF THE 2014 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT

**WHEREAS,** The Mandatory Separation and Recycling Act, P.L.1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection had promulgated recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, The recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

**WHEREAS,** A resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants (for calendar year 2014) will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Borough of Folsom to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulation; and

WHEREAS, Such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates John LaPollo to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the monies received form the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

A motion to approve Resolution 2015-31 was made by Councilman Pagano and seconded by Councilman Gummoe

### Borough of Folsom RESOLUTION #2015-32

### MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT APPLICATION Form 1B

Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Fiscal Grant Cycle July 2014 – June 2019

**WHEREAS,** the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities through New Jersey.

**WHEREAS,** the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Borough of Folsom further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials, but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

**WHEREAS**, The Borough of Folsom has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Atlantic;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Borough of Folsom Governing Body does hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough of Folsom does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Borough of Folsom Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2016 in the amount of:

DEDR \$8164.00 Cash Match \$2041.00 In Kind Match \$6123.00

Total Alliance Budget: \$16,328.00

2. The Borough of Folsom acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance Grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

A motion to approve Resolution 2015-32 was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Arena

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

### RESOLUTION 2015-34 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

# A RESOLUTION INTRODUCING THE 2015 BUDGET (READ BY TITLE ONLY)

<b>Public Comme</b>	ent				
Open all in fav	vor	Close all in t	favor		
May I hear a motion to move Resolution 2015-34					
MOTION Kyle Smith SEG		SECOND I	SECOND Ben Pagano		
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This Resolution will be posted, laid over and published according to law. A public hearing, second, and final reading will be held on March 11, 2015.

### RESOLUTION 2015-35 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

## SELF EXAMINATION OF BUDGET RESOLUTION (as required by DCA)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 7.5, the Borough of Folsom has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services, and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the local government meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2015 budget year.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body of the Borough of Folsom that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & 7.6b and based upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has meet the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:

- a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
- b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
- c. Cash deficit of preceding year
- d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
- e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
- f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes
- 2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3 et seq., are fully met (complies with CAP law).
- 3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
- 4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
  - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated
  - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
  - c. In itemization, form arrangement and content, the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
- 5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced and publicly advertised in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.
- 6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services upon adoption.

A motion to approve Resolution 2015-35 was made by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Arena

### RESOLUTION 2015-36 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

### A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

WHEREAS, there is a need for the appointment of Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics; and

WHEREAS, Susan Carroll, has indicated a willingness to serve in such position.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Council of the Borough of Folsom that Susan Carroll is hereby appointed Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics, in and for the Borough of Folsom, for a three year term commencing January 5, 2015 and ending December 31, 2018.

A motion to approve Resolution 2015-36 was made by Councilman Pagano and seconded by Councilman Jantz

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

### **RESOLUTION 2015-37**

### BOROUGH OF FOLSOM A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CREDIT OF AN OVERPAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

**WHEREAS,** it has come to the attention of the Borough Council that payment has been made in excess in 2014 to the below listed property; and

**WHEREAS**, said payments have resulted in overpayment for 2014 property taxes in the amounts listed below;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom that the following overpayments be credited to 2015 property taxes;

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2401	4	\$214.67
2509	114	\$5.67
2704	722	\$.98
2715	528	\$269.64
3102	10	\$411.63

A motion to approve Resolution 2015-37 was made by Councilman Pagano and seconded by Councilman Arena

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

### **RESOLUTION 2015-38**

### BOROUGH OF FOLSOM A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ASSESSOR AS AGENT FOR BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

WHEREAS, from time to time the Assessor discovers an error in calculation, transposing, measurement, computer of typographical errors in the Tax Assessments on the Tax List after the time the County Board of Taxation has certified the tax rate for the tax year; and

**WHEREAS,** the governing body of the taxing district of the Borough of Folsom is desirous that every taxpayer pays his fair share of taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, if the above discovered errors are not corrected the taxpayers affected would be paying more than their fair share of taxes; and

**WHEARAS**, the method of correcting such errors is to file a Petition of Appeals for the current year with the Atlantic County Board of Taxation; and

WHEREAS, the error was not caused by the taxpayer

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the governing body of the Borough of Folsom is hereby authorized to act as an agent for the Taxing District and file a petition of Appeals(s) for the year 2015 with the Atlantic County Board of Taxation to correct such errors and lower such assessments to the current value; and

That a certified copy of this Resolution be forward to the Folsom Tax Assessor to forward to the Atlantic County Board of Taxation with any such Petition of Appeal.

A motion to approve Resolution 2015-38 was made by Councilman Pagano and seconded by Councilman Smith

### BOROUGH OF FOLSOM RESOLUTION 2015-39

### RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF BOROUGH OWNED LAND

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution 2014-91 being entitled a Resolution of the Borough of Folsom Authorizing the Sale of Borough Owned Land a public sale of certain land was held on January 21, 2015 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a); and

WHEREAS, said sale was duly advertised pursuant to law; and

**WHEREAS**, bids were received by the municipal solicitor at such sale for the minimum price established in Resolution 2014-91 for the property identified as Block 15.02, Lot 10 with a location identified as 1226 11<sup>th</sup> Street; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution 2014-91 all such sales are subject to final approval by the Borough council and Borough council reserved to itself the right to remove any property from such sale list at any time and to terminate any sale up to the time of the issuance of a Deed to the purchaser.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that sale of the property identified as Block 15.02, Lot 10 to Booper, LLC in the amount of \$106,000.00 is hereby approved and the Borough Clerk, the Mayor and the Borough attorney are authorized to prepare and execute the required Deed and other documents in order to carry out such transaction.

**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 2015-39 was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Jantz

# RESOLUTION 2015-40 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

### A RESOLUTION CLARIFYING THE LOCATION OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

**WHEREAS,** the following license received a Special Ruling from the Director of Alcoholic Beverage Control pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 for relief for Collings Lakes Food Market, Inc. for license term 2014-2015 for an inactive license; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Folsom approved resolution 2014-82 authorizing the Borough Clerk to issue and deliver said license; and

**WHEREAS**, in the application submitted by the applicant it was referenced that the license would be located at 10 Black Horse Pike, Folsom, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS,** it was understood by the applicant and the Borough of Folsom that the license was only being issued for the left most unit ("unit D") of the building located at 10 Black Horse Pike, Folsom, New Jersey, as was approved by the Planning Board under resolution #04-2014 and not the entire premises;

Licensee Licensee

0110-33-006-005 Collings Lakes Food Market, Inc.

10 E. Black Horse Pike Folsom, NJ 08094

**WHEREAS,** the Borough of Folsom Council seek to clarify the specific location which has been licensed as ("Unit D") the left most unit of the building located at 10 Black Horse Pike, New Jersey.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom it is confirmed that the above referenced license which has been issued is only for the left most unit ("unit D") of the building located at 10 Black Horse Pike, Folsom, New Jersey as was considered and approved by the Planning Board under resolution 04-2014.

A motion to approve Resolution 2015-40 was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pagano.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the abstention of Councilman Arena

Resolution 2015-41 has been pulled from the agenda.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**: Mr. Ballak updated Mayor and Council on the tax appeal.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:** Councilman Smith read the fire report. The following incidents occurred in your community during the month of December 2014

January 4 <sup>th</sup>	Vehicle Crash	Rt322 & Rt 54	22 Members
Responding			
January 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Alarm	Black Horse Pike	16 Members
Responding January 11 <sup>th</sup>			
	Fire Alarm	Black Horse Pike	19 Members
Responding January 19 <sup>th</sup>			
January 19 <sup>th</sup>	Vehicle Crash	E. Collings Dr	16 Members
Responding			
January 22nd	Fire Alarm	Mays Landing Rd	19 Members
Responding			

The Fire department took delivery of 24 New Air Packs along with spare bottles and other equipment as a result of a grant received from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant totaling \$156,806.00, of which the fire departments cost was only 5%. The Fire Department conducted its annual ice rescue refresher along with the yearly CPR refresher during the month. Again check out our website at clfd23.org or follow us on tweeter and Facebook..

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**: Gary Auer updated Mayor and Council on the following:

### 2014 Community Development Block Grant Funding

The funding for the improvement of several walkways at the 13<sup>th</sup> Street recreation complex, public works facility and South River Drive Park has been approved. The Borough should be receiving the agreement document within the next week.

### NIDOT Route 54 / 322

As we requested, the signage alerting motorists that Bell Liquor Store is open are up. The DOT Resident Engineer has indicated he still expects that the portion of the work over Route 322 will be completed in May.

### FY13 State Aid Project – 14th Street

The closeout documents have been prepared and forwarded to the Borough CFO for completion. Upon completion we will be forwarding them on to the DOT to finalize and receive the remaining 25% of the project funding.

Councilman Jantz asked Gary what the status was for the speed limit on 14th Street. Gary stated that Vince Polistina has been researching the Borough ordinance for any conflicts and should have more details for next month.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor DeStefano congratulated the Folsom School and Educational Foundation on another successful comedy night. Mayor also informed residents that the League of Municipalities is offering a \$1,000.00 Mayor's scholarship. Any seniors interested in applying should contact their school. Mayor DeStefano thanked Bryon, Ken and Ben for checking on street lights in the Borough.

### **COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORTS:**

**Councilman Kyle Smith**: updated Mayor and Council on the Folsom Drug Alliance Program. Councilman Smith stated that there is a Basketball Clinic, Life Skills Program (5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grades) and a Forest Friends Program (First Grade). Councilman Smith asked if anyone is interested in volunteering to please call Borough Hall. Kyle stated that there is also summer camp. Councilman Smith reported that Pre-K Registration will be taking place on March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and Kindergarten will be April 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Smith congratulated Al Effinger on his Citizen of the Year award. Kyle also wished his Mom a Happy 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

Councilman Ken Jantz: reported to Mayor and Council that he, Councilman Gummoe and Councilman Pagano drove around Folsom and reported to Atlantic Electric that twenty -four lights were out. Councilman Jantz stated that all but one have been repaired. Councilman Jantz reminded residents to contact Borough Hall or go to the Borough Website to report outages. Councilman Jantz reminded residents to use caution when driving through the construction areas of Rt 322 and Rt 54.

Councilman Ben Pagano: reported to Mayor and Council that he attended an Ethics meeting at the League of Municipalities and that Atlantic City Mayor Don Guardian was the speaker, discussing his "Vision for Atlantic City". Councilman Pagano congratulated Al Effinger on his award. Councilman Pagano reported that the Public Works Department were dispatched six times to salt the roads within the past month. Councilman Pagano thanked the road crew for their work in maintaining the roads during the storms. Councilman Pagano asked residents to report any potholes to Borough Hall.

**Councilman Charlie Arena**: congratulated Al Effinger on his award. Councilman Arena thanked Solicitor Keith Bonchi and Frank Ballak for their work on the amended Ordinance for fees for the field use. Councilman Arena reported that he attended the Parks & Rec meeting and that they had a presentation by Gametime on outdoor fitness equipment. Councilman Arena also reported that the Mayor has earmarked \$5,000.00 to complete the dugouts. Councilman Arena updated Mayor and Council on the girl's softball drainage situation.

**Councilwoman Mimi Veneziani:** congratulated Al Effinger on his award. Councilwoman Veneziani reported that the Personnel Committee held a meeting to discuss job descriptions.

**Councilman Byron Gummoe:** reported that the Borough has acquired a grant to start an E-Waste Program for the disposal of electronics. Councilman Gummoe asked residents to report any illegal dumping by calling 911 or call Borough Hall.

PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS ONLY NO COMMENTS

PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$225,343.13 and \$410,797.85

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

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

### **RESOLUTION:**

### 2015-33 AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT - EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to approve Resolution# 2015-33 was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Council entered into an Executive Session at 8:21PM

Council returned from Executive Session at 8:43PM

Folsom is participating in a **Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.** A HMP is a living document that communities use to reduce their vulnerability to hazards. To inform and engage the public and other local and regional stakeholders in the planning process, a hazard mitigation planning website has been developed and can be visited at: <a href="https://www.aclink.org/PDM/">www.aclink.org/PDM/</a>.

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.

The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be held on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 starting with a half hour workshop meeting at 6:30 pm and continuing with the regular meeting at 7:00 pm in Borough Hall, 1700 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Folsom, NJ

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM with ayes all.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto Municipal Clerk