

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
October 12, 2021**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:15**

**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, Whittaker, Porretta, Norman, Hoffman and Blazer

**Also present:** Mayor Greg Schenker, Attorney Angela Costigan, Jen Heller (Vince Poistina & Assoc.) and CFO Dawn Stollenwerk

**APPROVAL OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES from September 14, 2021**

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

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

**APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES from September 14, 2021**

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

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

**APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING SPECIAL MINUTES from September 21, 2021**

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

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

**MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: No Comments**

**Clerk's Correspondence:**

*Voter registration deadline for General Election is October 12, 2021*

*Halloween Trick or Treat Hours will be October 31, 2021 from 6:00PM to 8:00PM*

*Leaf Pick-up begins on October 18, 2021 and ends December 13, 2021*

*Please remember to vote on Tuesday, November 2, 2021-Polls open from 6:00AM until 8:00PM*

*Borough Hall Offices will be closed on November 2, 2021 for Election Day*

*Our next E-Waste drop off day is November 13, 2021 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM at the Borough Garage.*

*Shred Day-recycled 850 pounds*

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

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**ORDINANCE# 14- 2021**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 152 OF THE CODE OF THE  
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Folsom wishes to amend the Code of the Borough of Folsom which established a registration requirement for its rental properties; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the Council of the Borough of Folsom may amend its ordinances in order to preserve the public health, safety and welfare of its residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey as follows:

**Section 1. Chapter 152 is amended as follows:**

**§152-3 Landlord Registration Form.**

- a. The owner of every rental unit in the Borough of Folsom shall file a Landlord Registration Form with the Clerk or designee. Persons who qualify as a senior citizen and occupy a property while renting one to two units of the same property will be required to register but will not be required to pay the fee. When providing a copy of same to any other person or entity requesting same, the Borough Clerk, Construction Code Office and all other Departments of the Borough of Folsom shall redact the names and addresses, age and gender of the tenants.

**§152-6 Issuance of a Landlord Registration Certificate.**

1. Upon the filing of a completed Landlord Registration Form, payment of the prescribed fee and a satisfactory inspection, when required and as necessary, the owner shall be entitled to the issuance of a Certificate commencing on the date of issuance and expiring on the anniversary of the initial registration. A Landlord Registration Form shall be required for each rental unit, and a Landlord Registration Certificate shall be issued to the owner for each rental unit, even if more than one rental unit is contained in the property.

**§152-8 Fees.**

1. Landlord Registration Certificate.....\$50.00
2. Landlord Registration Certificate Annual Renewal.....\$50.00

3. Landlord Registration Certificate-Change in Ownership.....\$50.00
4. If the owner of a property is a senior citizen of 65 years and older and Rents out one or two units of one property.....no fee
5. If any fee is not paid within 30 days of its due date, a late fee of \$30.00 shall be imposed

**Section 2. Inconsistent Ordinance Repealed.** Should any provision of this Ordinance be inconsistent with the provisions of any prior ordinances, the inconsistent provisions of such prior ordinances are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of any inconsistencies.

**Section 3. Invalidity.** In the event that any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance which may be given effect, and, to realize this intent, the provisions and applications of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

**Section 4. Captions.** Captions contained in this Ordinance have been included only for the purpose of facilitating reference to the various sections and are not intended and shall not be utilized to construe the intent and meaning of the text of any section.

**Section 5. Effective date.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication

*A motion to approve Ordinance# 14-2021 was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Blazer*

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

*Mayor Schenker asked Council if anyone would like to remove a resolution from Consent Agenda.*

*Resolution 2021-88 was tabled.*

**Consent Agenda:** All matters listed under Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by this Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**2021-89** AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT - EXECUTIVE SESSION (Hammonton Joint Municipal Court and Collings Lakes Fire District)

**2021-90** A RESOLUTION TO HIRE A PART-TIME ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL (**John LaPollo**)

**2021-91** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

**2021-92** A RESOLUTION RESCINDING THE LAND SALE BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OFFOLSOM AND ANDREW SOBOLEWSKI

*A motion was made by Councilman Norman to approve Resolutions 2021-89 thru 2021-92 and seconded by Councilman Whittaker.*

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

**2021-82** RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY ORDINANCE IN THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

*A motion was made by Councilman Conway to approve Resolution 2021-82 and seconded by Councilman Blazer*

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

#### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

*Ms. Costigan updated Mayor and Council on the status of the contract with the Fire District.*

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT:** No report

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

#### **NJDOT FY2020 - Resurfacing of Lake Drive**

The contractor is replacing the pedestrian warning signs in the center of the crosswalk.

#### **NJDOT FY2021 - Resurfacing of Park Avenue**

The contractor will begin the drainage work on Park Avenue at the end of the September/beginning of October. Paving will follow the 30-day minimum settlement period. The project is anticipated to be completed by the end of November.

#### **South River Drive**

After a recent storm, a pipe in the roadway at 28 South River Drive collapsed. Public Works filled the hole with crushed stone and covered it with a steel plate. We will be preparing a plan and specification to solicit informal bids for the replacement of the damaged pipe and trench restoration. We expect to award a contract next month and have the repair completed this fall.

The Borough should consider applying for discretionary funding from the NJDOT Municipal Aid to replace the corrugated metal pipes in this area to prevent any future sink holes. We can work with Public Works to identify any pipe crossings that need to be replaced.

### **Eighth Street Bridge**

The bridge is still closed. A full detour for Eighth Street continues to be in effect indefinitely.

Council entered into Executives Session at 7:30PM

Council returned from Executive Session at 7:57PM

### **2021-93 APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COLLINGS LAKES FIRE DEPARTMENT, DISTRICT #5 AND THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

*Councilman Porretta made a motion to approve Resolution #2021-93 and seconded by Councilman Whittaker*

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

**Mayor's Report:** *Mayor Schenker read letter he received from the NJDOT referencing a new grant for Freight Infrastructure. Greg discussed the complaints about speeding on Mays Landing Rd. Greg wished everyone a Happy Halloween and to please use caution.*

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

**Councilman Conway:** *Greg thanked everyone for their help with the Ceremony.*

**Councilman Norman:** *Al reported that he is still waiting for fire report. Al stated he is going to speak to John regarding his monthly Zoning report follow-ups.*

**Councilman Porretta:** *no report*

**Councilman Whittaker:** *Jim thanked Councilman Conway on the Veteran Day Service. Jim thanked Council for all they do on their Committees. Jim updated Council on the speeding issues and what is being done to prevent this from happening. Jim suggested adding the speed digital signs.*

**Councilman Hoffman:** *Jim thanked Councilman Conway on the Veteran Day Ceremony which will be held on November 14, 2021 at 9:00am at Borough Hall. Jim reminded all to use caution on Halloween.*

**Councilman Blazer:** *Jake reported on the new swing set for Falcon's Nest. Jake asked for a motion to approve the set.*

*Councilman Hoffman made a motion to approve the purchase of the swing set and it was seconded by Councilman Norman. There was a roll call vote with ayes all. Jake thanked everyone.*

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS: NO COMMENTS**

### **PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$216,530.54**

*A motion to approve payment was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Norman*

*There was a roll call vote with ayes all.*

*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, November 9, 2021, 2021 starting at 6:00 pm in Borough Hall, 1700 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Folsom, NJ*

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto  
Municipal Clerk



