

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
WORKSHOP MINUTES
December 11, 2018**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:16 PM

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: Smith, Jantz, Arena, Hoffman and Schenker

Absent: Councilman Pagano

Also Present: Mayor DeStefano, Attorney Brian Lozuke and Engineer Mark Herrmann

Mayor DeStefano informed Council that the Master Plan was approved at the Planning/Zoning Meeting. Mayor DeStefano thanked everyone who was on the Committee.

Mayor DeStefano reported that he received a letter from Atlantic County that the Folsom School Beacon needs to be replaced. The County will replace it this time and the Borough and the School will need to maintain it.

Mayor reported that he was contacted by the school and they have only two (2) children attending that have motel addresses.

Mayor DeStefano stated that the Borough needs to decide if it wants to sell some land to Green Acres. Mayor stated he will refer this issue to the Land sale Committee.

Clerk Gatto reported on a request the Borough received from South Jersey Gas for an easement for a homeowner located 1361 Mays Landing Road. A discussion ensued. Solicitor Lozuke suggested to have the property owner appear at the next Council meeting with an updated survey.

Clerk Gatto reminded Council that the JIF Elected Officials meeting will be held on February 6, 2019 at the Savoy Inn in Vineland at 5:30PM.

Mayor reviewed Agenda with Council.

Councilman Schenker discussed the email the Borough received from a concerned resident regarding some activity at one of the hotels in Folsom. Clerk Gatto forwarded the email to the State Police. A discussion on living arrangements for customers at the hotels in Folsom ensued.

Councilman Schenker asked if newly elected Councilman Greg Conway could attend this evening's closed session meeting to help him become better informed so he can vote next month. Councilman Schenker felt it would save some embarrassment. Solicitor Lozuke stated that Mr. Conway cannot sit in the closed session.

MEETING IS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY. NO VOTES WILL BE TAKEN

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Greg Conway (**1315 Memory Lane**) stated that he felt he should be able to attend this evening's closed session because he needs to vote in January on the subject being discussed in the closed session.

Gary Conover from the Atlantic County Utility Authority was present this evening to give a brief presentation regarding 2019 budget. Mr. Conover also discussed some of the newest changes to recycling.

Mr. Lozuke updated Mayor and Council on the legalization of Marijuana. A discussion ensued.

Councilman Hoffman asked if anyone has noticed that 8th Street is falling apart and it's only been paved approximately 4 or 5 years ago. A discussion ensued.

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned with ayes all.

OPEN TO PUBLIC: Leslie Robeson (**1458 Backline Rd.**) asked if the tax on marijuana would help with property taxes.

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 7:20PM with ayes all.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto
Municipal Clerk