

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
WORKSHOP MINUTES
August 10, 2016**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:18PM

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, and Veneziani

Absent: Councilman Gummoe

Also Present: Mayor DeStefano, Attorney Kris Facenda and Engineer Gary Auer

Attorney Kris Facenda addressed Mayor and Council with a few reminders on general rules and parameters. Kris reminded Mayor and Council that any discussion on ligation must be done in a closed session. With regards to employment issues there must be a rice notice given and Kris went on to explain them.

Borough Engineer Gary Auer discussed the 14th Street Project and shifting Phase II. A discussion ensued.

Mayor DeStefano discussed the storage issues at Borough Hall. The school has offered to give us storage trailers.

Mayor DeStefano thanked the school for donating the rubber mulch.

Mayor DeStefano thanked Councilman Jantz, Councilman Arena and Councilwoman Veneziani for agreeing to take over our land sale.

Mayor DeStefano asked if there were any questions with regards to the agenda. Mayor and Council reviewed Resolution 2016-87.

Mayor DeStefano reported that there were no bids on the Firehouse sale. A discussion ensued. Councilman Jantz suggested to lower the price to \$179,900.00 and everyone agreed.

Land Use Attorney Brian Lozuke introduced himself to Mayor and Council.

Councilwoman Veneziani reported that Dr. Dan Blachford Superintendent of Hammonton Schools would like to give a presentation at our September council meeting.

Councilman Jantz asked Attorney Brian Lozuke what is the next step with regards to Ferris & Associates. Mr. Lozuke spoke briefly on the matter. Councilman Jantz suggested an executive session.

Council President Pagano suggested revisiting the Community Champions Program. A discussion ensued and Attorney Kris Facenda stated he will contact the Clerk to get the previous legal advice on this subject.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Brian Sacco stated that he lives on Mays Landing Road and is interested in the Firehouse. Mr. Sacco stated that he has some concerns with the property and the 10% deposit.

Donna Sutts (15 E.Park Ave) stated that she brought all the information to Council with regards to abandon property.

John Iulianetti (3212 Reading Ave. Hammonton) stated that he is interested in purchasing two (2) Borough owned properties. A discussion ensued. Councilwoman Veneziani suggested to wait until the landsale with the newly formed land sale committee. Council President Pagano stated that there really is no land sale committee at this time because it was not voted on. Attorney Kris Facenda suggested to Council President Pagano that he forward over the information to the Committee.

Burley Clark (1315 Mays Landing Rd.) who wanted to inquire about the use of the baseball fields. Mr. Clark stated that he has been leasing the field for the past year and thanked the Borough and Clerk Patti Gatto for their help. Mr. Clark asked if the Borough could make a procedure that would be easier and more affordable to use the lights. Councilman Arena will research this issue. Mr. Clark once again thanked the Borough.

Councilwoman Veneziani reported the school asked to use Borough property to place a bounce house on it. Councilman Arena asked if we were covered for this. Kris Facenda stated that the JIF has come out with restrictions on bounce houses. Kris stated that he would forward the JIF memo on bounce house.

MEETING IS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY. NO VOTES WILL BE TAKEN

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto
Municipal Clerk