# BOROUGH OF FOLSOM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES December 11, 2013

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:05PM** 

#### SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY MAYOR BALLISTRERI

**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 News and has been posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board showing the time and place of said meeting.

ROLL CALL: Councilpersons Smith, Gazzara, Schenker, Kemmerer, Esposito, Gummoe

**Also present:** Solicitor Mike Fitzgerald and Engineer Vince Polistina

# APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MINUTES FROM November 13, 2013

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Gazzara and seconded by Councilman Esposito. There was a roll call vote with ayes all and abstention by Councilman Kemmerer.

# **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM November 13, 2013**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Schenker. There was a roll call vote with ayes all and abstention by Councilman Kemmerer.

# **MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:**

Marie Anastasia (1315 13<sup>th</sup> St.) informed Mayor and Council that there is a problem with Comcast airing our Council Meetings. Inaudible. Marie wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Stanch Engineers and a representative from NJDOT gave a presentation on the temporary 8<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Replacement. The Project is expected to begin in the Spring of 2014. Mayor Ballistreri and Council questioned the Engineer on the duration of the project, bridge material, permits, weight restrictions, safety concerns and why has this project been delayed.

Mayor Ballistreri introduced Gary Conover who appeared on behalf of the Atlantic County Utility Authority to give an update on their budget. Mr. Conover distributed to Mayor and Council the Annual Report Card for the Borough of Folsom.

## **CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:**

Ms. Gatto reminded residents that Borough Hall Offices will be closed on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in observance to Christmas and January 1, 2014, New Year's Day,

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

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.

# RESOLUTION 2013-86 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

## A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL CLERK

**WHEREAS Patricia M. Gatto** has passed all of the requirements and is certified by the State of New Jersey as a Registered Municipal Clerk.

**WHEREAS** N.J.S.A.40A: 9-133.1 states that this is a statutory position in the State of New Jersey, and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that **Patricia M. Gatto** be hereby appointed Municipal Clerk for a three (3) year term effective December 11, 2013

# BOROUGH OF FOLSOM Resolution# 2013-87

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2013 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PER N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-58

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides that appropriation transfers may be made during the last two months of the year;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that the following transfers be made:

Account Description Public Works – Salaries & Wages	Account Number 26-290-010	<u>From</u>	<b>To</b> \$5,000
Public Works – Other Expenses	26-290-020	\$5,000	

A motion to approve Resolution 2013-86 and Resolution 2013-87 was made by Councilman Esposito and seconded by Councilman Kemmerer.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**: Mike Malinsky stated the new E-Waste ordinance was discussed with Judge Frank Raso.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:** Councilman Smith read the fire report for Chief Donnelly. Councilman Smith stated that there were four (4) calls for the month of November that members responded to. The department participated in a Tender Task Force drill in Weymouth Township. Santa will be coming to Folsom on December 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Chief Donnelly wished everyone a safe and Happy Holiday.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Mr. Polistina stated that the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Project will be delayed due to the weather. The funding is in place.

MAYOR'S REPORT: thanked the Fire Department for bring Santa to Borough Hall. Mayor Ballistreri gave condolences to the Killian family. Mayor Ballistreri stated that Marie was a longtime Folsom resident and the first person he met in Folsom along with Jack and Marie Anastasia. Tom stated that Marie was a great person and will be missed. Tom congratulated Clerk Patti Gatto on passing her clerk's exam. Tom stated it is good for the Borough to have a Registered Municipal Clerk. Mayor Ballistreri wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year!

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

**Councilman Byron Gummoe**: stated that there were six (6) tickets issued to residents who violated the new E-Waste Ordinance. Councilman Gummoe reminded residents not to place e-waste in trash bags.

**Councilman Gary Kemmerer**: stated the new truck purchase is an asset to the Borough of Folsom. Gary sent his condolences to the Killian family. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Safe and Happy New Year.

Councilman Ron Esposito: informed Mayor and Council of the Stockton College central dispatch system. Councilman Esposito thanked everyone involved in the tree lighting and stated Councilman Smith did a great job as MC. Councilman Esposito thanked the Public Works department for an excellent job clearing the roads. Ron gave his condolences to the Killian family. Ron stated that Marie was a great woman. Ron congratulated Clerk Patti Gatto on passing her clerk's exam. Ron thanked all the residents who voted for him over the years. Ron stated he enjoyed working over the years with all the employees and professionals. Ron congratulated Kyle and Byron on their first year and also congratulated Mimi and Skip on their recent election. Councilman Esposito stated he enjoyed working with the Parks and Rec

Committee with everyone and all the successfully projects they completed for the Borough. Councilman Esposito wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Councilman Greg Schenker:** wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Councilman Schenker stated he enjoyed working with the employees, Professionals, Mayor and Council over the years. Greg thanked everyone who voted for him. Councilman Schenker congratulated Mimi and Lou on their election.

**Councilman Butch Gazzara**: expressed his condolences to the Killian family. Councilman Gazzara congratulated Clerk Patti Gatto on passing her Clerk's exam and congratulated Skip and Mimi on their election. Butch wished everyone a very Happy Holiday.

Councilman Kyle Smith: thanked Greg and Ron for all their work over the years. Councilman Smith thanked everyone who was involved with the Tree Lighting. Kyle stated he hopes to have decorations for next year. Councilman Smith reminded residents that Santa will be visiting on December 22 on the south side of Folsom and on December 23 will be on the North side of Folsom. Kyle wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

# PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$279,365.80

A motion to approve payment was made by Councilman Gazzara and seconded by Councilman Kemmerer.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be the Re-Organization meeting held on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 7:00 PM followed by our regular Council Meeting in Borough Hall, 1700 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Folsom, NJ

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM with ayes all.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto, RMC/CMR