

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
July 10, 2013**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:11 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY MAYOR TOM 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 Gazzara, Kemmerer, Schenker, Gummoe and Smith

Absent: Councilman Esposito

Also present: Mayor Tom Ballistreri, Solicitor Mike Fitzgerald and Engineer Vince Polistina

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MINUTES FROM June 12, 2013

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM June 12, 2013

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

APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FROM June 25, 2013

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

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: **Christine Parker** (1404 Backline Road) inquired about the Whitmyer property on 15th Street as to what happened and were they fined. Mr. Polistina stated they were fined for over-excavating without the proper permits and approvals. She also inquired about the request for police presence on Backline Road for the vehicles speeding. She is concerned for the parents walking their babies or the seniors walking during the day. She asked about the possibility of placement of speed bumps. Mayor Ballistreri stated he will be scheduling a meeting with the new State Police commander and would ask if they could show a presence. He also stated that if they should contact the State Police with information of vehicles in violation. Councilman Smith stated he contacted the State Police with regards to the concerns.

She also asked about 14th Street heading into Hammonton and the possibility of requesting the large pot holes in the road be repaired. Mayor Ballistreri stated the Road Department would address this with the Hammonton Road Department and also send a letter requesting assistance.

Ms. Parker questioned when the weeds be cut and trash picked up on 14th Street off Route 322 and also what was being done about the homes that are not maintaining their lawns. Mayor Ballistreri stated the Zoning officer is handling these issues. Some of the residents are being brought to court.

Meeting closed to the public.

RESOLUTIONS:

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
RESOLUTION 2013-58**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM TO AWARD THE
BID FOR THE SUPER DUTY DIESEL TRUCK; 37,000 GVW
RE-BID #2013-03**

WHEREAS, bids were accepted on July 2, 2013 at 10:00 AM at the Borough Hall in the Borough of Folsom; and

WHEREAS, all bids were opened and announced to those in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the apparent lowest responsible Bidder, is: **Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc.** and

WHEREAS, the amount of the Bid submitted by **Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc.** is \$105,725.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom that Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc. is hereby awarded the contract for the Super Duty Diesel Truck: 37,000 GVW for the amount of \$105,725.00.

A motion to approve Resolutions 2013-58 was made by Councilman Kemmerer seconded by Councilman Schenker.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE: Nothing.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: No report.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Five (5) incidents in the month of June were reported. The Fire Chief reported that training continues on a weekly basis, annual testing on pumps and ladders have been completed. New tiers have been installed on their tender. They attended a joint housing for Williamstown and Cecil where the department captured seven (7) trophies, one of which was for the best appearing department in show. Their open house will be held on October 4th. They are at the station every Tuesday night or their website is clfd23.org

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mr. Polistina reported the IBEW is continuing with the construction of the project. Some of the base course paving has been installed and the contractor continues the work on the building. He also stated they completed the surveying for the reconstruction of 14th Street and are working on the design. They expect to advertise for the project sometime in the fall. He met with Superintendent John LaPollo after a rainfall to inspect the drainage situation at this residence. There is a low area adjacent to the roadway which appears to be created by traffic going into the shoulder of the road. It does not appear that the situation can be resolved without the installation of an inlet and some pipe or a regrading of the roadway, neither of which can be handled by the Borough Public Works. He stated should the Borough desire to look at a long term solution, they would survey the area in order to determine the most effective and cost effective manner to proceed.

MAYOR'S REPORT: No report

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORTS:

Councilman Byron Gummoe: No report

Councilman Gary Kemmerer: No report

Councilman Ron Esposito: Absent

Councilman Greg Schenker: Councilman Schenker discussed the Pine Lane issue. He stated it was discussed earlier in the Workshop meeting and the possibility of placing some type of material to fill in the area. He stated it's not feasible at this time.

Councilman Butch Gazzara: Councilman Gazzara wanted to let the residents of Penny Pot know they are doing everything they can at this level regarding the 8th Street bridge. Because there is only one exit out of Penny Pot at this time he is stressing for everyone that is exiting and entering the intersection of S. Pinewood Drive and Route 322 to please be patient, careful and take your time when pulling out onto Route 322. Due to the shore traffic it is extremely hard to exit.

Mayor Ballistreri stated this was discussed in the Workshop meeting, that the County had given a timeframe for the installation of the 8th Street Bridge. Mr. Polistina stated the County informed him that they should be advertising early 2014 and hopefully they bridge would be installed by Memorial Day 2014. Mayor Ballistreri again urged the residents to attend a County meeting to voice their concerns regarding the bridge.

Councilman Kyle Smith: No report.

PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$173,942.86

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

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Mayor Ballistreri 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 Wednesday, August 14, 2013 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 12th Street, Folsom, NJ

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM with ayes all.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Thompson
Deputy Clerk