

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
WORKSHOP MINUTES
March 14, 2012**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:51PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

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 Eckhardt, Schenker, Gazzara, Esposito, Kemmerer and Olive

Also present: Attorney Mike Fitzgerald, Vince Polistina and John LaPollo, Public Works Superintendent

THIS MEETING IS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY. NO VOTES WILL BE TAKEN.

Mayor Ballistreri gave the floor to American Galvanizing, Inc. representatives who were here this evening to get approval from Mayor and Council on the Fifth Road Extension Project. Steve Fillippone from Engineering Design and Associates presented their roadway improvement plan for Fifth Road. Borough Engineer Vince Polistina did a review of this project which there was some technical review comments that the applicant has agreed to comply with all. American Galvanizing will require additional items from the Borough once the Borough has approved this project. American Galvanizing attorney Michael Gruccio addressed Mayor and Council regarding the three (3) documents that the Borough will be requiring. Mr. Gruccio stated that these documents, the dedication of the cul-de-sac portion of the roadway improvement, the Maintenance Agreement once the road has been approved and a drainage easement will be prepared and presented to Mayor and Council for approval. Mr. Fitzgerald asked for a timeframe and Mr. Gruccio stated he hopes to have the drafts presented to Mayor and Council within the month.

Mayor Ballistreri introduced Chuck Endicott from Endicott Engineering who was also here this evening to get approval from the Governing Body on the application for Vacation of Roads "B & C". A discussion ensued between Mr. Endicott and Council regarding the maintenance of the road.

Vince Polistina wanted to make Mayor and Council aware that Ferris & Associates are seeking approval from Planning & Zoning to continue mining after posting their Performance Guarantee. A discussion ensued as to whether Ferris & Associates can continue mining at that location. Vince Polistina stated they will be looking into this further.

Vince Polistina stated the ANJEC Grant was not applicable to what the Borough was trying to accomplish.

Vince Polistina noted that the NJDOT RT 322 Project Information Session went well and he will continue to monitor and update Mayor and Council regarding this project. Vince also informed the Governing Body that he is working with the DOT to secure a permit for the "Welcome to Folsom" sign which is on dedicated property owned by the DOT.

Vince Polistina updated Mayor and Council on the flooding issues. He stated a representative from DEP Enforcement visited part of the property and could not gain access to fully inspect all of it. The DEP representative said they have no permits on record for any of the construction that was done on the property. The representative will try to contact the land owner to gain full access to the property.

Vince informed Mayor and Council that South Jersey Gas has requested a Road Opening Permit for E. Collings Dr. Vince stated that they are requesting (6) six openings on this road with another (23) twenty-three in the near future. Vince expressed his concern with the so many openings in the right hand tire lane. He stated there would be thirty (30) 4X4 bumps on E. Collings Dr. that homeowners would have to travel over. Vince is going to suggest that South Jersey Gas repave that area.

Vince completed his report this evening informing Mayor and Council that he is applying for the CDBG 2012 Grant.

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 with ayes all.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Gatto
Acting Municipal Clerk