

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM  
COUNCIL MEETING  
WORKSHOP MINUTES  
May 11, 2016**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:17PM**

**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, Veneziani and Gummo

**Also Present:** Mayor DeStefano, Attorney Keith Bonchi and Engineer Gary Auer

Mayor DeStefano reported that he received a phone call that the Borough will be awarded \$7,500.00 in Clean Communities grant money.

Mayor DeStefano reviewed with Council the Loss Control Report from JIF. Councilman Arena reported that John LaPallo was addressing most of the park issues. JIF was requesting that the Borough get an inspection done at the Firehouse by a qualified licensed person for the asbestos flooring, pipe wrap and ceiling tiles and then proper removal and disposal of the material. Mayor DeStefano stated that we are selling the Firehouse "as is".

Councilman Arena reported that Folsom school donated some mulch which will address some of the issues listed in the Loss Control Report.

Mayor DeStefano discussed with Council the hiring of Pat Blisard's replacement. A discussion ensued over hiring procedures.

Mayor DeStefano asked for volunteers for the land sale along with Council President Pagano. Councilman Gummo said he could try.

Mayor DeStefano reported that no one picked up the RFP for a land use attorney. Attorney Keith Bonchi requested to have an executive session this evening to discuss the land use attorney. Mayor and Council agreed to extend the RFP until May 31, 2016.

Councilman Jantz suggested Council President Pagano for the planning/zoning board appointment. Mayor DeStefano expressed his concern over Council President Pagano recusing himself from the Ferris issue. It was agreed that it would be Council President Pagano.

Mayor DeStefano asked Councilman Jantz to address the 5<sup>th</sup> Road street light. It was the Street Lighting Committee's opinion that the street light should be installed because it's at least a half a mile from the nearest street light and the road is very dark should emergency vehicles need to access the area. A discussion ensued and it then was recommended by the Mayor and the Committee to move forward with the light installation.

Mayor DeStefano stated that the Alarm Ordinance is on the agenda for this evening and the Feral Cat Ordinance will be on for next month.

Councilman Jantz reported that Council needs to make a decision on what ADA project Council wants to spend the \$56,000.00 in grant money on. A discussion ensued and it was agreed the Borough will do the small walking trail project at Penny Pot Park.

Mayor DeStefano reported that someone has inquired about purchasing a piece of Borough owned land that is land-locked. Council President Pagano will research it.

Councilman Arena asked Mayor and Council if his wife could hand out some literature because he is going to speak during the public portion and there are some residents that are coming to the meeting tonight to speak.

Council President Pagano suggested that we may have to make some changes with our audio recording system if continue to have problems with the recording. Council President Pagano also stated that he had several items to talk about but will wait until next month.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE**

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto  
Municipal Clerk