

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
February 10, 2016**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:27PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY Mayor DeStefano

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 Gummoe

Also present: Mayor DeStefano, Attorney Keith Bonchi and Gary Auer

Mayor DeStefano asked for a moment of silence for Animal Control Officer John Hill who passed away Monday, February 8, 2016.

APPROVAL OF THE RE-ORGANIZATION MINUTES FROM January 13, 2016

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Smith

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Jantz's abstention.

APPROVAL OF THE WORKSHOP MINUTES FROM January 13, 2016

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Arena.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Jantz's abstention.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM January 13, 2016

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Gummoe and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Jantz's abstention.

APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE MINUTES FROM January 13, 2016 (Community of Champions)

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Smith

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Jantz's abstention.

APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE MINUTES FROM January 13, 2016 (SJ Gas and Kerr Concrete)

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Jantz's abstention.

SAFETY BEST PRACTICES (REVIEW) Council to review handout

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:

Resident Greg Schenker (1447A Backline Rd.) questioned who handled the transfer of ownership of the Folsom Firehouse to the Borough of Folsom. Mr. Schenker asked if certain tests were done on the Firehouse prior to the transfer. Mr. Schenker also questioned Attorney Keith Bonchi about his 2016 contract with the Borough.

Mr. Richard Harlan of the Rt 54/40 Community Shuttle Program was here this evening to speak about the new Shuttle Program and to encourage residents to please use the new Shuttle.

Resident Greg Schenker (1447A Backline Rd.) thanked Councilman Ben Pagano for attending the Board of Freeholders meetings.

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

Borough Hall Offices will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2016 in observance of Presidents' Day.

There will be an E-Waste day scheduled for Saturday, February 13, 2016 from 8:00am until 1:00pm at the Borough Hall Garage.

Free Rabies Clinic will be held on March 19, 2016 from 9:00AM until 11:00AM at the Borough Hall Garage. We will be renewing dog/cat licenses at the Clinic.

Reminder: The Clerk's office is opened until 7:00PM on Monday evenings.

ORDINANCES: (Adoption/Second Reading)

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
ORDINANCE 01-2016**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND FIXING SALARIES FOR VARIOUS
OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM, COUNTY OF
ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The annual salaries of the officials, officers, and employees of the Borough of Folsom listed below shall be as follows:

Salaried Positions

Borough Clerk	\$25,000	-	\$50,000
Building Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	-	\$4,100
Chief Financial Officer	\$4,000	-	\$15,000
Construction Official	\$2,500	-	\$5,000
Council Member	\$1,700	-	\$3,000
Court Administrator	\$20,000	-	\$50,000
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	\$500	-	\$1,500
Electrical Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	-	\$4,100
Emergency Management Coordinator	\$500	-	\$1,500
Fire Safety Officer	\$1,000	-	\$1,800
Fire Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	-	\$4,100
Judge (based on 24 sessions annually)	\$1.00	-	\$12,000
Additional sessions (maximum 4)	\$350 per		Session
Mayor	\$2,200	-	\$4,000
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$1,000	-	\$4,100
Tax Assessor	\$6,500	-	\$14,500
Tax Collector	\$6,500	-	\$16,000
Zoning Officer	\$1,800	-	\$4,500

Hourly Positions:

Administrative Assistant	\$8.38	-	\$14.50
Deputy Clerk	\$10.00	-	\$14.50
Deputy Court Administrator	\$8.50	-	\$14.50
Municipal Administrative Asst	\$25.00	-	\$75.00 per session
Part-time Laborer	\$9.00	-	\$12.50
Public Works Laborer	\$9.00	-	\$20.00
Supervisor Public Works	\$10.00	-	\$26.00
UCC Technical Asst/Planning & Zoning	\$10.00	-	\$14.50
Secretary			
Interpreter	\$25.00	-	\$50.00 per session

Section 2. The salaries and wages hereby established shall be on a bi-weekly basis with the exception of Mayor and Council, and Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, which shall be quarterly.

Section 3. The provision of this Ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 2016, and shall apply to employees continually employed since January 1, 2016.

Section 4. Any Ordinance or part of Ordinance inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, held on **January 13, 2016**. Said Ordinance was approved for final adoption at a public hearing held in the Borough of Folsom Municipal Building, 1700 12th St., Folsom, NJ on February 10, **2016 at 7:00 P.M.**

A motion to approve was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Gummo

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

(Introduction/First Reading)

BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

ORDINANCE NO. #02-2016

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
AMENDING SECTION 5-4 OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM CODE**

WHEREAS, Section 5-4 (B) of the Borough of Folsom Code provides for the scheduling of regular Council meetings to be on the second Thursday of every month.

WHEREAS, Section 5-4(c) of the Borough of Folsom Code requires, in part, Council at the annual organization meeting to adopt a schedule for setting the regular meetings of Council for the succeeding year.

WHEREAS, the regular meetings for the Borough of Folsom Council have been held on the second Wednesday of each month in accordance with the schedule which has been adopted at the organization meetings at the start of each year; and

WHEREAS, in order to bring consistency to the provisions within section 5-4 of the Borough of Folsom's code, section 5-4(B) is hereby repealed so that it is no longer mandated

that regular meetings of Council be scheduled for the second Thursday of each month but rather will be scheduled and held in accordance with the schedule which is approved by Council at the annual organization meeting.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 5-4(B) entitled Council Meetings. Is hereby repealed.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any prior or existing Ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed and/or modified to the extent of such inconsistencies;

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication as required by law.

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A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Gummo

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
ORDINANCE 03-2016**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2016
AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 0.0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom in the County of Atlantic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2016 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$34,461.00 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized herein above that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, in the County of Atlantic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2016 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Folsom shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$1,067,593.52, and that the CY 2016 municipal budget for the Borough of Folsom be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, held **on February 10, 2016 and said Ordinance was approved for final adoption at a public hearing held in the Borough of Folsom Municipal Building, 1700 12th St., Folsom, NJ on March 09, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.**

A motion to approve was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Jantz

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

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A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Smith

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

ORDINANCE NO. 04-2016

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER FOR
THE REGULATION OF ALARM SYSTEMS**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the counsel of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey as follows:

PURPOSE. An ever increasing number of homeowners and business owners are installing alarm systems in an effort to prevent crime. The installation of these systems should certainly be encouraged, because they tend to make the community safe. A result, however, of having so many properties with alarm systems is that the State Police are called upon to respond to false alarms. It is the purpose of this article to curtail the number of false alarms received by the State Police.

DESIGNATION OF FALSE ALARM. If the State Police receives a call which requires an officer to be dispatched to a residence or dispatched to a business or dispatched to any location in the Borough of Folsom and upon arrival it can be determined that no property or person was in threat of harm or injury and the call or alarm to the State Police was made by mistake, neglect or with the purpose to annoy and there is no justifiable reason to initiate the dispatch, the alarm shall be considered false.

CONSTITUTION OF VIOLATION. An individual shall be considered to have violated this article if he or she initiated the false alarm or negligently allowed the false alarm to be made. It shall be presumed that the owner of any property that has an alarm system is the person who initiates or allows the alarm to be made. The presumption may be rebutted.

VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES. Anyone who is convicted of violating this article in the Borough of Folsom Municipal Court is subject to the following penalties:

- A. First offense and second offense: a warning with no fine or Court appearance required.
- B. Third offense: a fine of \$50 and no Court appearance required.
- C. Fourth offense: A Fine of \$100.00 and no Court appearance required.
- D. Fifth offense: A fine of \$200.00 and a Court appearance required.
- E. Sixth and Subsequent offenses: A fine of \$300.00 and a Court appearance required.

TERMS DEFINED. A “second offense, or subsequent offense” shall be defined as any false alarm which occurs within a twelve-month period from January 1 through December 31 annually.

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

A. All security providers who maintain a panel within the Borough of Folsom State Police for security systems for homeowners and businesses are required to notify all such users annually as to the false alarm ordinance by certified mail, return receipt requested, and provide a copy of said letter and proof of service to the office of the Borough of Folsom Clerk/Administrator and State Police.

B. Any failure on the part of a provider to provide notice as contained within this section shall not be considered a defense to the violation of this article.

C. Any provider who fails to comply with the notification requirements contained herein shall forfeit his/her right to maintain a direct connection panel within the Borough of Folsom State Police.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent they are inconsistent to the ordinance herewith and the balance shall remain in full force and effect.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, held on February 10, 2016. Said Ordinance was approved for final adoption at a public hearing held in the Borough of Folsom Municipal Building, 1700 12th St., Folsom, NJ on March 9, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

A motion to approve was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

**RESOLUTION 2016-38
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE ACIA CDBG FUNDING
PROJECT, ATLANTIC COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AID-CONTRACT NO.18**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40a:1-1 et seq, previously awarded and entered into a contract for the ACIA CDBG Funding-Contract No. 18, a County Aid Project from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority with Kline Construction, Inc. for the installation of ADA walkways in the Borough of Folsom; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of several quantities for the ACIA CDBG Funding project is a result of the constructed quantities being slightly lower than anticipated; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of the quantities of the ACIA CDBG Funding project does not substantially change the quality or character of the work to be provided by the Contractor; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, in the County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that:

A change order is approved for the ACIA CDBG Funding project to include a reduction in the constructed quantities of ADA walkways at a net decrease of \$508.96 and for a resulting total Contract amount of \$35,824.40; and

The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an execute on behalf of the Borough and amendatory contract covering the approved changed order, such amendatory contract to be in a form satisfactory to the Borough Attorney.

A motion to approve Resolution #2016-38 was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani

There was a roll call vote with ayes all

**RESOLUTION 2016-39
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

A RESOLUTION REVISING THE ANNUAL SCHEDULE OF WORKSHOP AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM COUNCIL FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM as follows:

Workshop and Regular meetings of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom are to be held at the Municipal Building, 1700 12th Street, Folsom, NJ. The Workshop Meeting will start at 6:00 PM and the Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM according to the following schedule for the period of January 1, 2016 through to December 31, 2017 along with the reorganization meeting of 2017 inclusive:

January 13,2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
February 10, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
March 9, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
April 13, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
May 11, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
June 8, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
July 13, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
August 10, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
September 14, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
October 12, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
November 9, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
December 14, 2016	Wednesday	6:00 PM	1 hour	Workshop/Regular Meeting
January 4, 2017	Wednesday	6:00 PM		Reorganization Meeting

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the meetings will be advertised in our official newspapers of publication, the Hammonton Gazette and The Press of Atlantic City.

A motion to approve Resolution #2016-39 was made by Councilwoman Veneziani and seconded by Councilman Arena

Smith-N Jantz-Y Pagano-Y Arena-Y Veneziani-Y Gummoe-Y

**RESOLUTION 2016-40
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSON-TO-PERSON TRANSFER AND PLACE-
TO-PLACE TRANSFER OF RETAIL PLENARY CONSUMPTION LICENSE
#0110-33-003-006 SMASHED HAT TAVERN, INC. TO HARLEY DAWN, INC.
LOCATED AT 1402 BLACK HORSE PIKE, FOLSOM, NJ 08037**

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for Person-to-Person and Place-to-Place Transfers of Plenary Retail Consumption License Number 0110-33-003-006, heretofore issued to Smashed Hat Tavern, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Harley Dawn, Inc. 1402 Black Horse Pike, Folsom, NJ 08037 has submitted a Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control Application and a New Jersey State Police Background Investigation report; and

WHEREAS, application for the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and a transfer tax clearance has been received; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, does hereby approve effective February 10, 2016 the Person-To-Person and Place-to-Place Transfers of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0110-33-003-006 heretofore issued to Harley Dawn, Inc. 1402 Black Horse Pike, Folsom, New Jersey, and does hereby direct the Alcoholic Beverage Control Secretary to endorse the license certificate to the new ownership.

A motion to approve Resolution #2016-40 was made by Councilman Gummoie and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Arena's abstention.

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
RESOLUTION 2016-41**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom of the County of Atlantic, New Jersey, has experienced natural hazards that result in public safety hazards and damage to private and public property and;

WHEREAS, the hazard mitigation planning process set forth the by State of New Jersey and the Federal Emergency Management Agency offers the opportunity to consider natural hazards and risks, and to identify mitigation actions to reduce future risk and;

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management is providing federal mitigation funds to support development of the Atlantic County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and;

WHEREAS, a Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by the Mitigation Planning Committee and;

WHEREAS the Hazard Mitigation Plan includes a prioritized list of mitigation actions including activities that, over time, will help minimize and reduce safety threats and damage to private and public property, and;

WHEREAS the draft plan was provided to each participating jurisdiction and was posted on the County Office of Emergency Preparedness website so as to introduce the planning concept and to solicit questions and comments; and to present the Plan and request comments, as required by law, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom:

1. The Atlantic County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan update, as approved by the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on February 5, 2016, is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Borough of Folsom in the County of Atlantic.
2. The Municipal departments identified in the Plan are hereby directed to pursue implementation of the recommended high priority activities that are assigned to their departments.
3. Any action proposed by the Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the Mayor and Council and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such appropriations.

The Emergency Management Coordinator is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments, and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the Atlantic County Office of Emergency Preparedness according to the predetermined timeline and procedures outlined in the Plan's Section 7: Plan Maintenance and Integration

A motion to approve Resolution #2016-41 was made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilwoman Veneziani

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

SOLICITOR REPORT: no report

FIRE CHIEF REPORT:

The following incidents occurred in your community during the month of January 2016

January 12 th	Arcing Wires	Mays Landing Rd	17	Members Responding
January 19 th	Vehicle Crash	Rt 54	22	Members Responding
January 24 th	Investigation	N. Pinewood Dr.	27	Members Responding
January 28 th	Alarm System	Black Horse Pike	19	Members Responding

Members of the Fire Department attended 6ABC “Save A Life” smoke detector program and received smoke detectors, anyone needing one should contact the firehouse via email clfd23.org or contact town hall and they will pass the information along

During the Blizzard which occurred over the weekend of the 23rd and 24th personnel were in station around the clock available for an immediate response to prevent any delay due to the inclement weather. During that period crews responded to Folsom (3) times to assist EMS by lifting, shoveling and providing the initial patient assessments. Crews also responded to a cardiac arrest arrived within (2) minutes and began CPR.

Each and every Tuesday night members are in station starting at 7pm anyone interested is certainly welcome to stop by or follow us on Facebook and twitter.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

2014 Community Development Block Grant Funding –

ADA Access Project All work for the project has been completed, with the change order for the adjustment of quantities on the agenda for tonight's meeting. Upon approval of the final payment to the contractor our office will be submitting the request for reimbursement from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority

(ACIA). FY15 State Aid Project – 8th Street- Due to the recent weather the contractor has been unable to complete the remaining punchlist items. We are hopeful over the next few weeks the remaining items can be addressed. We expect to recommend the initial payment for the project next month

2015 Community Development Block Grant Funding - Senior Center-The Borough was awarded \$70,100 from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA) for the conversion of the former Folsom Fire Hall house into a Senior Center. If the Borough decides not to proceed with the conversion of the Fire Hall the ACIA has indicated the funds could be used for other compliant projects.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor DeStefano thanked the Public Works Department for all their hard work during the past snow storms. Mayor DeStefano discussed the Folsom salt situation. Mayor DeStefano reminded residents about the 2nd Annual Louis Bay Scholarship and will forward the information over to the Folsom School.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORTS:

Councilwoman Veneziani: reported that the Finance Committee met regarding the 2016 Budget which will be introduced next month. Mimi also reported that the Personnel Committee will be meeting next month. Councilwoman Veneziani also wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Councilman Kyle Smith: thanked the Public Works Department for their work during the storms. Kyle wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Councilman Ken Jantz: stated that he will finish the audit of street lights next month. Councilman Jantz reported that there may be need for an additional street light at 5th Road. They are in the process of researching it. Ken reminded residents to report any street light outages to Borough Hall or visit the Borough website.

Councilman Ben Pagano: reported that he attended the League of Municipalities meeting last week and they had two (2) guest speakers. Mr. Vince Jones spoke about the Centralized Dispatch and Mr. Max Slusher spoke about the Community of Champions Program.

Councilman Charlie Arena: reported that Parks and Rec met on Tuesday and team scheduling is taking place. Charlie also stated that they will be looking into the drainage issues on the girls' softball field.

Councilman Byron Gummo: expressed his concerns regarding Verizon going before the BPU to discontinue the copper lines.

Council voted to approve Councilman Jantz and Councilman Arena to the Ad Hoc Committee for solar energy.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS ONLY:
NONE**

Folsom is participating in a **Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan**. A HMP is a living document that communities use to reduce their vulnerability to hazards. To inform and engage the public and other local and regional stakeholders in the planning process, a hazard mitigation planning website has been developed and can be visited at: www.aclink.org/PDM/.

Mayor DeStefano reminded the public that all other monthly reports are on file in the minute book and to please visit the Borough website with updated information along with the Folsom Borough Facebook Page.

The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 starting with a half hour workshop meeting at 6:00 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 8:34PM with ayes all.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto
Municipal Clerk