



Borough of Rocky Hill
Borough Council
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
November 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill was called to order by Mayor Phil Kartsonis at 7:30 PM followed by the salute to the flag.

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Irene Battaglia	Councilwoman	Absent	
Amy Kirtland	Council Member	Absent	
Billy Dawson	Council Member	Present	
John Hagemann	Council Member	Absent	
Mark Sibley	Councilman	Present	
Robert Uhrik	Councilman	Present	
Phil Kartsonis	Mayor	Present	

Also present: Clerk Rebecca Newman, Deputy Clerk Christine Witt, CFO Joe Monzo and Attorney Albert Cruz.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Kartsonis thanked the constable and Fire Department for their assistance with the Mary Jacobs Library fundraiser and the train show.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

B. Borough Council - Second Meeting of Month - Oct 15, 2018 7:30 PM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mark Sibley, Councilman
SECONDER:	Billy Dawson, Council Member
AYES:	Dawson, Sibley, Uhrik
ABSENT:	Battaglia, Kirtland, Hagemann

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carl and Anne Pate, 26 Washington Street, reported that the train show raised over \$2,400 for the First Aid Squad and Fire Department and had over 200 visitors.

STATE POLICE REPORT

No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Generator Grant - The final paperwork is in hand and final payment is on the bill list this evening. Final paperwork will be filed with FEMA over the next several weeks..

Princeton Avenue Phase III - NJDOT is requiring cores of the road which have been ordered.

Lemore Pipe Repair - Revisions to the contract need to be made due to incorrect calculated costs.

Miscellaneous Road Repairs - JML Contract completed. A new issue, an inlet in the cul-de-sac on Hickory Court needs to be repaired.

Water Connection Requests - A letter has been sent to NJDEP requesting some relief on the connection Moratorium. We have not received a response.

BPU Fine -The fine has been paid.

2019 Local Aid Projects - The resolution needed to finalize the application for this year has been sent to NJDOT.

Sewer Study - The subcommittee met via a conference call. The following was discussed:

1. Mr. Sibley has purchased, and will install, for minimal cost, several devices that will be able to measure the water surface of the adjacent water surface level if the streams overflow their banks.
2. After several discussions with one of the VCEA sewer experts, we are proposing that the Borough set aside approximately \$2,000.00 to allow two employees of VCEA to open manholes in the evening after rainfalls to see where the lines may be leaking. This might eliminate the cost of installing temporary meters in location in the sewer system.
3. The same VCEA sewer expert will also be talking to the Montgomery Sewer Operator to see if more exact flow information might be available.
4. The subcommittee also discussed less expensive ways that we may be able to use to fix some of the infiltration issues.

Leaf Collection

The first collection of leaves that was supposed to be done before Halloween was cancelled due to no leaves. Our next scheduled collection should be the week before Thanksgiving.

Tier B Report

We need to keep this on the front burner that we can complete the required number of tasks to make our submission complete at the end of this year.

- A. Motion to rescind Resolution 2018-74 and award a contract to T. Fiotakis in the amount of \$14,150 to repair drainage on Lemore Circle

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mark Sibley, Councilman
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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The CFO reported that there will be budget transfers at the next meeting, and that he is waiting for a check from the County for the Historic Preservation Grant work.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

A. Bill List 2018-11-05

Mr. Sibley moved to approve all vouchers except #6913 and Mr. Dawson seconded.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mark Sibley, Councilman
SECONDER:	Billy Dawson, Council Member
AYES:	Dawson, Sibley, Uhrik
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SPECIAL BUSINESS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCE-2018-11 An Ordinance Adding Chapter 9 to the General Code of the Borough of Rocky Hill
Titled: DEFENSE OR INDEMNIFICATION OF BOROUGH EMPLOYEES

The floor was open to public hearing on the ordinance. Hearing none, the floor was immediately closed.

RESULT:	FINAL ADOPTION [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Billy Dawson, Council Member
SECONDER:	Mark Sibley, Councilman
AYES:	Dawson, Sibley, Uhrik
ABSENT:	Battaglia, Kirtland, Hagemann

B. Follow Up: Actions from the BPU

See Engineer's Report.

C. NJ DEP Moritorium Update

See Engineer's Report.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

The floor was open to public comment, hearing none, the floor was closed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF ANY)

1. RESOLUTION-2018-80 To Retire into Executive Session for the Purpose of Litigation: Schafer Vs. Rocky Hill Borough

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Billy Dawson, Council Member
SECONDER:	Mark Sibley, Councilman
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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.