Oceanport, New Jersey
May 7, 1992

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oceanport was held May 7, 1992 at 8:15 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilpersons Clark, Terra, Filippone, Miller, Taylor, Wolfe and Mayor Cavanagh.

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Borough Attorney, Francis A. Margalotti.

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Borough Clerk, Patricia L. Varca.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Rabbi Daina.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Cavanagh led the audience and members of the Council in the flag salute.

As copies of the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 16, 1992 had been reviewed by the members of the Governing Body, Councilman Terra moved to waive the reading of same and approve the minutes as presented by the Clerk. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

CLERK'S REPORTS:

Mayor Cavanagh commented that since the Clerk is on vacation he reported that the Police Report for the month of APRIL, 1992 will be posted on the Bulletin Board for review by any interested parties and attached to the report are certificates for those officers and patrolmen who have completed various courses and seminars.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN CLARK: Councilman Clark moved to appoint Robert D. Broege to fill a vacancy on the Environmental Commission, which term expires on December 31, 1994. It was seconded by Councilman Terra and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Clark commented that the recycling reports from the businesses throughout the Borough are very delinquent and businesses which have not yet submitted their quarterly reports will be receiving a notice within the next week, which will be step 2 in the process which will result in a summons being issued if the report is not submitted, since these reports are mandatory and without these reports we cannot properly fulfill our obligations to both the County and State.

Councilman Clark reported that on Tuesday he attended a DEPE National Flood Insurance seminar and spent about 4 hours understanding why the bureaucracy is like it is, but with some effort he will undertake filling out the necessary paperwork and filing all the required data, setting up a library of sorts, which will all result in a minimum of a 5% reduction for all the residents in Oceanport who pay flood insurance on their homes and this will be an on going process and the initial report must be submitted by the end of December, so it will be a year or so before the residents will realize the savings.

Councilman Clark stated that in the on going efforts to reduce the amount of material going into the Monmouth County Landfill, they are having a series of mixed paper drives and the nearest one to us will be during the first week in June and the notice is posted and it is for white paper, junk mail, magazines, etc. and it will be in Middletown and there is a notice posted as you enter the Borough Hall. He also commented that he is trying to see if we can have some type of collection base in the Borough and then have it all sent over to Middletown and eventually he would like to have a regular set up for these types of paper products.

Councilman Clark advised that the old telephone directories will be recycled within the Borough and are trying to set up a trailer for the directories only, next to the newspaper trailers and he will have further information in the near future.

Councilman Clark announced that the Borough's solid waste and organic rates for recycling in Oceanport last year were 44.6%, which is a little below our 50% requirement but we are getting there, but in 1995 the goal will be 60% which will be mandated by the County. He also stated there will be a meeting for the volunteers participating in the Cut It and Leave It Program and they will be notified shortly and there will be brochures available in the Borough Hall on this program and about home composting for those residents who are interested.

Councilman Clark congratulated the Brownies and the Daisies for the low garbage day they sponsored again this year in the schools and he does not have the results from that program yet, but it did reduce the garbage at the schools and shows that our young people are concerned about the environment and the garbage that we are generating.

Councilman Clark advised that Fort Monmouth will be celebrating this weekend and urged the residents to stop at the Fort and join in their celebration.

COUNCILMAN TERRA: Councilman Terra moved to authorize the hiring of Raymond Ciani as a Patrolman Grade III in the Oceanport Police Department. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

The Borough Attorney then administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Ciani, after which the Mayor and Council offered their congratulations to the new patrolman.

Mayor Cavanagh stated for the record that the appointment of Patrolman Ciani, in essence replaces the spot that we have not filled since the untimely death of Captain Budinski in December, 1991 and we are now back to a full compliment on our Police force.

COUNCILWOMAN FILIPPONE: Councilwoman Filippone welcomed Patrolman Ciani to Oceanport and wished him well.

Councilwoman Filippone reminded the residents of the Borough that the parade will be on Monday, May 25 and we have sent out invitations to some people, but everyone is invited to participate and march in the parade and we want the children to know this, because many times they feel left out.

Councilwoman Filippone reported we have licensed 56 dogs during this past month for a total of 466 for 1992 and we will be sending out late notices to delinquent dog owners which will be followed by summonses if there is no response. She also reminded the residents that the Boy Scouts are doing the 1992 dog census and she would appreciate if the residents would cooperate with the Scouts, since this census is mandated by law.

Councilwoman Filippone commended Councilman Clark on the fine job he has done under recycling and she is particularly pleased about the recycling of the phone books because they are such a heavy source of trash and will certainly help out with our landfill problems.

COUNCILMAN MILLER: Councilman Miller moved to reject all bids received on May 4, 1992 for the reconstruction of the concrete boat ramp at Blackberry Bay Park and to return all bid bonds to the bidders and to authorize the readvertisement for bids for this project. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Miller also commended Councilman Clark for his recycling efforts concerning the telephone books and he is also pleased about the appointment of Patrolman Ciani and was very impressed by him.

Councilman Miller reported that the first ambient sampling took place on April 25, which was a cold and rainy morning and we are working on six sites which are relative to the ten storm drains that we analyzed last year to see if there is any correlation. He stated that Site #1 which is west of the bridge going into Little Silver had a water quality index of 48 which is bad and the coliform count was 132 which is not great, but under the 200 level; Site #2 off of Gooseneck Point Road in the main Shrewsbury River Channel had a water quality index of 60 which is average and fecal coliform count was 130; Site #3 is at the mouth of Blackberry Bay Park and the water quality index was 53 which is average and the fecal coliform count was 132; Site #4 was the best and it is off Sommers Park and the Sewage Treatment Plant and the water quality index was 62 and the fecal coliform was only 46; Site #5 was just north of the bridge going into North Long Branch where the water quality index was 60 and the fecal coliform was 197; Site #6 was the worst site which was just south of the Bridge into North Long Branch where the water quality index was about 55 and the fecal coliform was 394, which is over the limit. He felt that a lot of the numbers had to do with the storm that was going on that day and the water was being churned about and there was an outgoing tide and it was raining and the storm drains were draining in the direction where we were sampling.

Councilman Miller advised that the second sampling will be conducted this Saturday at 7:00 A.M. and then analyzing the results around 9:00 A.M. and we should have the results by next Wednesday or Thursday. He continued that at 9:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. in conjunction with the Boy Scouts, under the leadership of Joe Zigler and the Cub Scouts under the leadership of Councilman Clark and Mrs. Ross, we will be holding a shoreline clean up relative to the clean streets and clean beaches program and we have targeted five sites on the Branchport side to clean up. He also commented that the Waterways Committee will also be working with the County Department of Health this summer and as soon as school is over, he will be participating in bi-monthly sampling of Branchport Creek to monitor the Creek in relationship with Monmouth Park. He also stated that he has been asked to post pollution notices where required and they will be undertaking that project as well in the near future.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR: Councilman Taylor congratulated Patrolman Ciani on his appointment to the Police Department as well as complimenting Councilman Clark on his recycling efforts.

Councilman Taylor announced he had recently attended a demonstration at Remsen Dodge sponsored by Remsen Dodge and MADD and there was a dodge simulator car there and it is making two tours of New Jersey and students attended the demonstration from Raritan High School and a course was set up

in the back and two students participated at a time around the course, the first time under normal circumstances and the second time, the Remsen representative was in the car as well and he computed the weight of the driver with 3-5 drinks and maneuvered the course the second time and 99.9% of the times, cones were knocked down and hopefully this will create awareness in those students that when you are drinking, you should not drive. He stated that the computer simulates a delayed reaction in the braking and steering systems.

Councilman Taylor reported that the Oceanport Drug Alliance will be meeting on May 20 at Maple Place School at 7:30 P.M. and again on May 27 at Maple Place School at 7:30 P.M. in order to create more awareness in our community.

R-92-40 COUNCILMAN WOLFE: Councilman Wolfe read resolution R-92-40 amending the 1992 temporary budget, after which he moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilman Clark and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe reminded the residents that the Borough wide street sweeping project will be undertaken next week and the sign is up on the Community Events sign in front of Borough Hall and he hoped everyone would take their cars off the road for that week and not leave any debris in the roadway so that the sweeper can get all the sand and grit up off the roadways for the summer.

Councilman Wolfe advised that the NJ Clean Shores Program is going to be in our area and will be cleaning up the shoreline in Long Branch and Oceanport beginning on May 12 and should be in Oceanport for approximately 2-3 days picking up large debris and floatables.

Councilman Wolfe offered his congratulations to Patrolman Ciani and welcomed him to the Department.

MAYOR CAVANAGH: Mayor Cavanagh stated that previously he had appointed Ex-Mayor Elwood Baxter to fill a vacancy on the Planning Board, but due to his schedule he will not be able to serve on this Board. Mayor Cavanagh then appointed Robert D. Broege as a Class II member of the Planning Board, which term expires December 31, 1994.

Mayor Cavanagh offered Patrolman Ciani good luck in his career as an officer in the Oceanport Police Department.

Mayor Cavanagh also welcomed back Rabbi Daina who has not been with us in a while, as well as Mr. Caparn who has returned from Florida.

Mayor Cavanagh then opened the meeting to the public for any comments or questions they might have.

PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

As no one from the public wished to be heard, Mayor Cavanagh closed the public portion of the meeting.

Councilman Wolfe moved to approve the bills listed on the Voucher Register dated May 7, 1992. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor and with the exception of Councilman Terra who abstained from voting on bills due to Ed Brister and was then unanimously approved by Council. TOTAL 1991 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING $3,978.07. TOTAL 1992 VOUCHERS $154,744.31. TOTAL 1992 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING $35,269.36. TOTAL 1992 OPERATING

FUND $190,013.67. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT $102.22. TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TRUST ACCOUNT $210.00. TOTAL TRUST ACCOUNT $1,000.00. TOTAL DOG REGISTRY ACCOUNT $290.20. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-COUNTY TAXES $475,050.60. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-LIBRARY TAXES $17,991.31. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-OPEN SPACE TAX $11,682.97. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-HEALTH TAXES $7,972.92. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-OCEANPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION $100,000.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-THIRD PARTY REDEMPTION $6,321.70. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-SEWER $2,025.98. (SEE VOUCHER REGISTER).

At 8:40 P.M. Councilman Clark moved to adjourn the meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on May 21, 1992 at 8:00 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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