

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
May 2, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on May 2, 2013 at 8:00 P.M. with Mayor Mahon announcing that the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilpersons Bertekap, Gallo, Ibex, Irace, Johnson, Kahle, Mayor Mahon

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Borough Clerk, Kimberly A. Jungfer and Attorney Christopher Ackerman for Borough Attorney, John O. Bennett, III

INVOCATION: Borough Chaplain Robert Mills gave the invocation.

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

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: The Clerk stated there were 6 items on the consent agenda and described 1 additional item added from Workshop and asked for a motion. Councilman Irace requested that Item 7 be taken separately. Councilman Johnson asked questions about the resolutions for temporary relief and their time allowance which Mr. Ackerman explained his concern was that the "temporary" not be forgotten. Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve Items 1-6 of the Consent agenda which was seconded by Councilman Irace and approved by Council with the exception of Councilpersons Bertekap and Kahle whom abstained from Items 4, 5 and 6.

The Clerk asked for a motion on Item #7 which was moved by Councilwoman Kahle and seconded by Councilman Ibex which was approved by Council with the exception of Councilman Irace whom voted no.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resolution in support of A-3393 regarding Telecommunications Tax Support. **R-13-66**
2. Resolution providing temporary relief from Borough Code 390-25F9(2) **R-13-67**
3. Resolution providing temporary relief from Borough Code 390A **R-13-68**
4. Approval of the Regular Meeting minutes of April 18, 2013
5. Approval of the Workshop Meeting minutes of April 18, 2013
6. Approval of the Executive Session minutes of April 18, 2013
7. Resolution designating the Patterson Army Hospital as Area in Need of Rehabilitation **R-13-69**

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN BERTEKAP: No report

COUNCILMAN GALLO: Councilman Gallo gave details on the upcoming Paper Shredding Day on Saturday May 11 sponsored by Monmouth County

COUNCILMAN IBEX: No report

COUNCILMAN IRACE:

1. Introduction of the 2013 CAP Ordinance
2. Resolution introducing the 2013 Municipal Budget **R-13-70**

Councilman Irace called for the introduction of **AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40a:4-45.14)** and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only, after which Councilman Irace moved to

approve the Ordinance upon first reading and to hold the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at the Council meeting of May 16, 2013 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilman Johnson.

The Clerk called roll:

AYES: Bertekap, Gallo, Ibex, Irace, Johnson, Kahle
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

The Clerk stated that the motion carried.

Councilman Irace gave an overview of the 2013 municipal budget numbers and stated that the bottom line was there would be no increase in the 2013 municipal tax rate, the tax rate 50.8 cents of \$100 per assessed value, amounts to be raised by taxation, the drop in assessed values of the Borough, the amount of State aid to be received, revenues anticipated and reason for increase due to funding to be received for Sandy costs, expenses and salaries, recognized Borough Auditor and CFO for their contributions and general comments on the progress made over the last 5 years. Councilman Irace also discussed the 2013 capital budget and improvements proposed with Ms. Jungfer advising that the capital budget was being amended and would include \$160,000 in grant funding towards road improvements.

Councilman Irace announced that the public hearing on the budget would be held June 6, 2013 at Maple Place School and asked for a motion to approve the resolution introducing the 2013 municipal budget which was moved by Councilman Ibex and seconded by Councilman Bertekap and was approved by Council.

Councilwoman Kahle asked about the schools' budgets and had there been any impact. Mayor Mahon answered that he had attended meetings for both school district budgets and that both boards had taken the same approach as the Borough realizing it was a difficult year to do anything that would increase the burden on the taxpayers. Mayor Mahon also gave details on the budget introduced by Sea Bright and that he and Ms. Jungfer had met with local officials and state officials in order to minimize any impact on Sea Bright's taxpayers through the Community Disaster Loan program and gave additional details on that program.

Councilman Johnson questioned why there was no Clean Communities funding in the budget. Ms. Jungfer advised that there usually was no notification provided. Mr. Mayers added that the funding was expected but sometimes in time for inclusion in the budget and other times a resolution would be done to amend the budget.

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON:

1. Introduction of the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance incorporating the ABFE Map

Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of **AN ORDINANCE REPLACING IN ITS ENTIRETY CHAPTER 229 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT ENTITLED "FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION" OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY PASSED AND APPROVED OCTOBER 17, 2009** and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only, after which Councilman Johnson moved to approve the Ordinance upon first reading and to hold the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at the Council meeting of May 16, 2013 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilman Johnson.

The Clerk called roll:

AYES: Bertekap, Gallo, Ibex, Irace, Johnson, Kahle

NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

The Clerk stated that the motion carried.

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE: No report

MAYOR MAHON: Mayor Mahon thanked the Legislators and the Governor's Office for facilitating the meeting on the Community Disaster Loan program and the Sea Bright budget.

Mayor Mahon also reported on a letter received by the Council on Affordable Housing notifying of seizure of trust funds from specific dates, that the Borough's professionals had reviewed and the receipt of a revised letter advising that the balance to be seized from Oceanport's trust fund was \$0.00 and that the Borough's professionals and legal team would be preparing the necessary response and certifications. Mayor Mahon further explained that the Borough had been able to appropriate funding against certain expenditures for work done on the Borough's Fair Share Plan that led to the \$0.00 available for seizure.

Mayor Mahon reported that he was had met with a group of realtors at the request of a resident and discussed with them the demands for housing and rentals and the Borough's plans for addressing the needs and how the Borough responded to the advisory base flood elevations and housing at Fort Monmouth by FEMA. Mayor Mahon advised that this information was important as Oceanport residents move out of shelters and hotels and back into their own homes and what those approximate numbers were and that the Governor's Office liaison had trailer homes available for those needing that resource.

Mayor Mahon also gave updates on the increased security being addressed for the NJ Marathon coming up that weekend.

Mayor Mahon then opened the meeting for anyone from the public who wished to be heard.

PUBLIC:

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

At 8:29 p.m. the Clerk read a Resolution authorizing the meeting to enter Executive Session for the purposes of personnel and land acquisition on a motion made by Councilman Ibex and seconded by Councilman Gallo and approved by Council.

At 8:50 p.m. the Council returned from Executive Session and re-opened the Regular Meeting on a motion by Councilman Johnson which was seconded by Councilman Ibex and approved by Council.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Ibex, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



KIMBERLY A JUNGFER
BOROUGH CLERK