REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
April 19, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on April 19, 2012 at 8:36 P.M. with Mayor Mahon announcing that the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilpersons Bertekap, Ibex

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Borough Clerk, Kimberly A. Jungfer and 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.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resolution authorizing the payment of bills. **R-12-66**
2. Resolution authorizing a contract for Class A recyclables. **R-12-67**
3. Resolution authorizing a MOU with the MC Mosquito Extermination Commission. **R-12-68**
4. Resolution endorsing the submission of the 2011 Recycling Tonnage Grant application. **R-12-69**
5. Resolution supporting the Employment Initiative Program. **R-12-70**
6. Resolution authorizing a tax refund for overpayment. **R-12-71**
7. Approval of the Workshop meeting minutes of April 5, 2012.
8. Approval of the Regular meeting minutes of April 5, 2012.
9. Approval of the Executive Session minutes of April 5, 2012.

The Clerk stated there were 9 items on the consent agenda and asked for a motion. Councilman Irace made a motion to approve the Consent agenda which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council with Councilman Gallo and Councilwoman Kahle abstaining from Items 7, 8 and 9.

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Ms. Jungfer stated she was in receipt of the Police Reports for March 2012, which had been distributed and would be posted.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN GALLO: No report

COUNCILMAN IRACE:

1. Resolution authorizing a Bond Refunding per Refunding Bond Ordinance adopted 10-21-2010 **R-12-72**
2. 2012 Budget Presentation, Public Hearing.
3. Resolution Amending the 2012 Capital Budget **R-12-73**
4. Adoption of the 2012 Budget. **R-12-74**

Councilman Irace gave an explanation of the Resolution authorizing a Bond Refunding and that over the life of the bond would save the Borough $50,000 and then made a motion to approve the Resolution authorizing a Bond Refunding per Refunding Bond Ordinance adopted 10-21-2010 which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

The Clerk stated that the motion carried.

Councilman Irace gave mention to the members of the Finance and Administration Committee – Councilman Ibex, Councilman Johnson, Clerk/Administrator Kim Jungfer, CFO Greg Mayers and Auditor Bob Oliwa.

Councilman Irace presented the 2012 municipal budget using a PowerPoint presentation explaining the budget process, what the budget entails, what items of the budget were outside the cap and their commitment to stay under the 2% cap including some items that were outside the cap providing a true 2% cap, how the Borough commits to other resources such as shared services and part time employees rather than reduce services to meet the cap, a forecast of future funding and that the budget, the challenges of facing wants versus needs, steps taken to minimize tax increases, shared services, departments maintaining flat budgets and highlighted the Public Works department which has come in under budget 2 years in a row by fixing equipment themselves, the Office of Emergency Management which has been instrumental in obtaining grant funding for the Borough which have offset costs such as those related to the hurricanes and announced that there would be no increase to the municipal and thanked the Borough's employees and others that have made it happen.

Mr. Oliwa added that the surplus that had been built up was used to keep the tax rate stable and was hopeful that the surplus would be regenerated and enable the same amount to be used for the 2013 budget. Mr. Oliwa gave additional details on the rate, the plan for following years, and the inclusion of new ratables.

Councilman Irace added that the municipality was about 23% of the tax bill and for that 23% a resident receives police, fire, first aid, public works, plowing, leaf pickup, sewer, recreation, parks, trash collection and more. Councilman Irace continued that 50% of a tax bill comes from the schools and the remaining 20+% was for County services and that the municipal portion included open space for 2 cents.

Mayor Mahon commented on the employees and that for the last couple years they had taken no pay increases and wanted the public to be aware that at the last meeting Council had authorized him to sign a contract with the PBA which included 4 consecutive years of raises under the 2% cap and specifically zero increase in 2012 as the rest of the employees had taken and the remaining raises through the rest of the contract were well under the cap.

Councilman Irace opened the meeting for questions and comments from the public on the 2012 Municipal Budget.

PUBLIC:

Stuart Briskey, 46 Werah Place, referring to the notice on the budget in the LINK News, asked about the increase of $130,000 in the debt service from the 2011 amount.

Mr. Oliwa explained that it was the difference in the anticipation notes, unfunded amounts, bonds and interest over 2 years.

Ms. Jungfer further explained that it was actually 2 years of interest on the bonding because the Borough did not see a debt service increase in 2010 because of financing through the Monmouth County Improvement Authority (MCIA) and rather than close in the end of 2010 and pay that debt service in 2011 it was closed in the beginning of 2011 so it was actually an increase in debt service for 2 years rather than one year because of when the loans were closed.

Mr. Briskey asked what it was for and Councilman Irace answered that it was the normal work – road program.

As there was no one else from the public that wished to be heard, Mayor Mahon closed the public portion of the hearing.

Ms. Jungfer stated the next item was for a Resolution amending the 2012 Capital Budget as explained during the Workshop, the total remains the same but the funding sources were changing rather from bond funding it would be grant funding as the Borough received $200,000 in DOT grant funding after the introduction of the capital budget.

Councilman Irace made a motion to approve the Resolution amending the 2012 Capital Budget which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

The Clerk stated that the motion carried.

Councilman Irace then made a motion to adopt the 2012 Municipal Budget which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

The Clerk stated that the motion carried.

Councilman Irace thanked everyone for their hard work

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON:

1. Introduction of a Bond Ordinance.
2. Introduction of a Re-appropriation Bond Ordinance

Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of **AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED EXPENSES FOR THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT AND APPROPRIATING $550,000 THEREFOR INCLUDING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $200,000 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND A COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $121,000 AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF $222,000 IN GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT TO FINANCE SAME** and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only, after which Councilwoman Kahle moved to approve the Ordinance upon first reading and to hold the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at the Council meeting of May 3, 2012 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilman Irace.

The Clerk called roll:

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

The Clerk stated that the motion carried.

Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of **ORDINANCE REAPPROPRIATING $31,514.15 PROCEEDS OF OBLIGATIONS NOT NEEDED FOR THEIR ORIGINAL PURPOSES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY** 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 3, 2012 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

The Clerk stated that the motion carried.

Councilman Johnson reported that after a lengthy process the Borough had received a piece of World Trade Center steel that week and thanked the front office, Jeanne and Kim, for helping out with the notifications and all the paperwork, Public Works for preparing Borough Hall for a presentation that hadn't taken place due, Captain Baldanza for lending his vehicle in order to pick up the piece of steel and Wes Sherman who went with him to up to Hangar 17 to retrieve it. The piece of steel was in the building under lock and key and hopefully would be making a presentation shortly.

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE: No report

MAYOR MAHON: No report

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.

Bill List: Capital Trust $375.00 Dog Registry $73.40 Escrow Trust $1,210.00 Open Space Trust $8,154.95 Recycling Trust $711.00 2011 Vouchers Paid $297,520.64 2011 Vouchers Paid this Meeting $0.00 Total 2011 Vouchers Paid $297,520.64 2012 Vouchers Paid $7,266,896.347 2012 Vouchers Paid this Meeting $605,292.76. Total 2012 Vouchers Paid $7,872,189.10

At 9:00 p.m. the Clerk read a Resolution authorizing the meeting to enter Executive Session for the purposes of land acquisition and personnel on a motion made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Irace and approved by Council.

At 9:34 p.m. the Council returned from Executive Session and re-opened the Regular Meeting on a motion by Councilman Johnson which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Johnson, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,

KIMBERLY A JUNGFER
BOROUGH CLERK