REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
April 2, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on April 2, 2009 at 7:57 P.M. with Mayor Mahon stating the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilpersons Gallo, Ibex, Johnson, Irace and Mayor Mahon

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilpersons Briscione, Kahle

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-09-55**
2. Resolution supporting Assembly Bill No. 3570 abolishing COAH. **R-09-56**
3. Resolution marking April 19, 2009 as "Support Our Troops Day" **R-09-57**
4. Resolution authorizing T&M to go to bid for Charles Park. **R-09-58**
5. Resolution rejecting all bids received for the refurbishment of the trailers. **R-09-59**
6. Approval of the Regular minutes of March 19, 2009
7. Approval of the Workshop minutes of March 19, 2009.

The Clerk stated that there were 7 items presented on the Consent Agenda and then asked for a motion. Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo and approved by the Council.

CLERK'S REPORT:

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN GALLO: Councilman Gallo reported on improvements to the Community Center baseball fields including covered dugouts. Councilman Gallo also reminded everyone about the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt and provided the details.

COUNCILMAN IBEX: No report

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON: Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO FIX AND DETERMINE THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN BOROUGH OFFICIALS"** and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only, after which Councilman Johson moved to approve the Ordinance upon first reading, which was seconded by Councilman Irace.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson made a motion to hold the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at the Council meeting of April 16, 2009 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilman Irace.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of **AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AND ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 279 SECTION 8, SCHEDULING PROCEDURES, EXEMPTING CERTAIN RECREATIONAL SPORTS GROUPS FROM FEE REQUIREMENTS** and then asked the Clerk to read the affidavit of publication.

Mayor Mahon then opened the meeting to the public for anyone who wished to be heard. As no one from the public wished to be heard Mayor Mahon closed the public portion of the hearing.

Councilman Johnson then made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on second and final reading and advertise same in accordance with the law, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson stated he wished to publicly thank Sergeant Steve Cioffi of the Oceanport Police Department regarding an incident that a resident experienced with a garbage truck that damaged the resident's property and gave the details.

COUNCILMAN IRACE: Councilman Irace gave details on a gala in honor of Maria Gatta, former Mayor of Ocenaport, which will benefit children's program at the Wellness Community.

MAYOR MAHON: Mayor Mahon told of an opportunity he had to speak with a 1st grade class at Wolf Hill School who have been learning about local government and that Mrs. Blair, their teacher, had encouraged them to write letters in order to make a difference and stated that he had received one from student Shannon Scesa of Sea Girt Avenue and read the letter to the Council which asked them to fix Sea Girt Avenue. Mayor Mahon advised that the Borough Engineer would be looking at it and the 2009 Road Program and that he would be writing back to the 1st grader.

Mayor Mahon also advised of a petition that had been signed by 50 residents of 274 E. Main Street which is the Oceanport Gardens, stating their opinion on the dispatcher shared services being considered. Mayor Mahon gave an update on some of the other feedback being received about the same matter.

Mayor Mahon also gave a Proclamation establishing April as Alcohol Awareness Month and read the proclamation.

PUBLIC:

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

Hugh Sharkey, 39 Algonquin Ave., asked if there was any update on his request made at the last meeting.

Mayor Mahon stated to Mr. Bennett that that information was under executive session to which Mr. Bennett responded that he would speak with him privately.

Mayor Mahon advised so that everyone would understand, there are certain matters that are executive and although the individual parties can be informed, it is not a matter for public and that is why there is not a response at this point.

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

Bill List: Capital Trust $3,875.00. Open Space Trust $680.00. 2008 Vouchers Paid $121,954.25. 2008 Vouchers Paid this Meeting $2,953.41. Total 2008 Vouchers Paid $124,907.66 2009 Vouchers Paid $6,455,970.49. 2009 Vouchers Paid this Meeting $318,279.93. Total 2009 Vouchers Paid $6,774,250.42

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Irace, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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BOROUGH CLERK