

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
February 5, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on February 5, 2009 at 8:43 P.M. with Mayor Mahon stating the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

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

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.

Mayor Mahon asked for a motion to take the Agenda out of order and move to a special recognition which was moved by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Irace and approved by Council.

Mayor Mahon then asked for former Mayor Clem Sommers to come forward and presented him with the Mayor's Lifetime Achievement Award and then named some of the services Mr. Sommers had given to his community and read portions of a Proclamation which was presented to Mr. Sommers.

Mr. Sommers accepted the award and handed out a notice that he had printed while he was in office which said "Oceanport is a great place to live".

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resolution authorizing the payment of bills. **R-09-26**
2. Resolution waiving permit fees for the installation of HVAC system for Borough Hall **R-09-27**
3. Resolution appointing a Certified Public Works Manager. **R-09-28**
4. Resolution waiving permit fees for the 17 Willow Court for reconstruction due to fire. **R-09-29**
5. Resolution authorizing professional services for Charles Park **R-09-30**
6. Resolution authorizing application for a Shared Services grant. **R-09-31**
7. Resolution authorizing the disposition of a 1984 Chevy Step Van. **R-09-32**
8. Approval of the Reorganization minutes January 1, 2009
9. Approval of the Regular meeting minutes of January 15, 2009
10. Approval of the Workshop meeting minutes of January 15, 2009.
11. Approval, Raffle Application, Shore Pop Warner, Off Premise Merchandise Raffle.
12. Resolution authorizing participation in the Long Branch Commodity Resale System. **R-09-33**

The Clerk stated there were 11 items listed on the consent agenda with #12 being added which was discussed during the workshop meeting and asked for a motion. Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by the Council.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN BRISCIONE: Councilman Briscione congratulated Mayor Sommers on his well deserved achievement award.

Councilman Briscione reported on Public Works and that they were having a busy month and reminded residents that although the overnight parking ban was rescinded, there is no parking on Borough streets when they are snow covered as it is difficult for the plows to get through when cars are parked on both sides of the road.

Councilman Briscione reported on Buildings and Grounds and that the HVAC unit for the Meeting Room had to be replaced as it was too old to repair and that the furnace in the Old Wharf building was being replaced due to its aging condition.

Councilman Briscione also made comments about an article in the paper regarding a possible reassessment and why he thought the article was misleading and that they are continuing to review the issue with the Assessor as the year progresses.

COUNCILMAN GALLO: Councilman Gallo congratulated Mayor Sommers on his award and stated there were a couple of projects upcoming that he would be reporting on in the weeks ahead.

COUNCILMAN IBEX: Councilman Ibex also congratulated Mayor Sommers and that was the end of his report.

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON: Councilman Johnson called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO FIX AND DETERMINE THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN BOROUGH OFFICIALS" PASSED AND APPROVED MARCH 16, 1939.** 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 Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of an **AMENDMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FEE ORDINANCE** and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only, after which Councilman Ibex moved to approve the Ordinance upon first reading, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson made a motion to hold the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at the Council meeting of February 19, 2009 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilman Briscione.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR INSTALLATION OF NEW HEATING, VENTILATION AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY,**

APPROPRIATING \$20,000 THEREFORE 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, which was seconded by Councilman Ibex.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson made a motion to hold the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at the Council meeting of February 19, 2009 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilman Irace.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson reported that the Planning Board had not met yet this year as there have been no applications.

Councilman Johnson also congratulated Clem on an award that was long overdue.

COUNCILMAN IRACE: Councilman Irace also congratulated Clem Sommers and thanked him for his help and guidance.

Councilman Irace reported on Finance and Administration, meetings on the budget since January and provided information regarding a research brief he received which gave a fiscal outlook of cities and some of the spending cuts that those cities are making including hiring freezes and layoffs and delay or cancellation of capital infrastructure projects. Councilman Irace continued that those are some of the things that they are considering and wanted people to be aware.

Councilman Irace also thanked Councilman Johnson who rushed over to his house one Saturday morning when his smoke detectors were going off and also Councilwoman Kahle who took time to see his grandmother on a Sunday as they couldn't get a nurse.

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE: Councilwoman Kahle congratulated Mayor Sommers on a well-deserved award and thanked him for all that he had done for Oceanport and the County.

MAYOR MAHON: Mayor Mahon stated he had no report as he gave it all in the workshop but did add that some people know what Clem Sommers has meant to the Borough but one thing that was not in the proclamation was how Mr. Sommers sat him down and told him that the town needs a bank and if one drives down to the Village Center there is a bank that is going in. Mayor Mahon stated it was also his pleasure to be able to acknowledge Mr. Sommer's service as Mayor and that it was long overdue.

PUBLIC:

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

Reverend Robert Mills, Elizabeth Drive, commented about the bank and that many of his congregation are thrilled that the bank is going to open. Reverend Mills also asked Councilwoman Kahle if anything further had been done regarding the welcome signs and banners.

Councilwoman Kahle responded that they determined they can't do the banners but for the sign they started a Quality of Life Committee and that they are coming.

Reverend Mills stated that if they can be sponsored by an organization they are interested to which Councilman Irace and Councilwoman Kahle assured him that they would be.

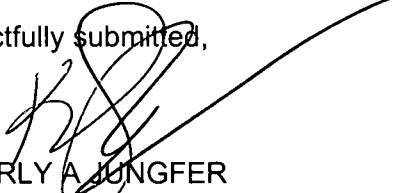
As no one from the public wished to be heard Mayor Mahon closed the public portion of the meeting.

Bill List: Capital Trust \$40,207.34. Dog Registry \$554.60. Escrow Trust \$807.50. Off Duty Police \$53.27. Open Space Trust \$15,315.00. 2008 Vouchers Paid \$73,159.37. 2008 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$26,607.91. Total 2008 Vouchers Paid \$99,767.28. 2009 Vouchers Paid \$1,854,001.60. 2009 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$1,923,551.85. Total 2009 Vouchers Paid \$3,777,553.45

At 9:05 p.m. the Clerk read a Resolution authorizing the meeting to enter Executive Session on a motion made by Councilman Ibex and seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council.

At 9:20 p.m. the Council returned from Executive Session and re-opened the Regular Meeting and as there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Irace, which was seconded by Councilman Ibex and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



KIMBERLY A. JUNGFER
BOROUGH CLERK