

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
November 6, 1997

- REGULAR MEETING:** The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on November 6, 1997 at 8:08 P.M.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councilpersons Gemma, Filippone, Miller, Taylor, Wolfe, Silkworth and Mayor Cavanagh.
- OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Borough Clerk, Patricia L. Varca.
- OFFICIALS ABSENT:** Borough Attorney, Francis A. Margalotti.
- INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Borough Chaplain Berry.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Cavanagh led the audience and members of the Council in the flag salute.

Mayor Cavanagh commented that prior to the regular order of business, the First Aid Squad wanted to make a presentation and he asked Captain Doris Agaman to come forward.

Captain Agaman stated the Squad members were here this evening to commend the life savings efforts of both Mrs. Screen, School Nurse and Mrs. Kolasa, a teacher at the school, who helped to save the life of another teacher who had suffered a heart attack. She commented that she was pleased to advise that the teacher had surgery and was home recuperating, but without the quick action of these two women, she would have died and she wanted the Mayor and Council to know how lucky we are in this Borough to have people like these working in our schools who are able to respond to emergency situations.

Captain Agaman also stated that the two women were recognized by the First Aid Squad at their last meeting and she just wanted to let the Governing Body know about this situation.

As copies of the minutes from the regular meeting held on Sept. 29 and Oct. 16, 1997 had been made available to the members of the Governing Body, Councilman Wolfe moved to waive the reading of same and approve the minutes as presented by the Borough Clerk. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and unanimously approved by Council.

CLERK'S REPORTS:

1. Police report for the month of OCTOBER, 1997 and a copy will be posted on the Bulletin Board.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN GEMMA: Councilman Gemma reported under insurance we have received a check for approximately \$1,300 as a refund from our insurance company.

Councilman Gemma stated he was in receipt of a letter from Ivan Cohen of the Statewide Worker's Compensation Fund, who had come down to meet with our Public Works Superintendent, Tom Crochet and Chief Joyce and Captain Bebout and was very pleased with the development of various safety programs in place in these departments and he commended those employees involved.

Councilman Gemma congratulated Councilwoman Silkworth on her re-election and to Marty McGann on his election and looked forward to working with them in the future.

COUNCILWOMAN FILIPPONE: Councilwoman Filippone also offered her congratulations to both Councilwoman Silkworth and to Marty McGann on their election to Council.

Councilwoman Filippone called for the second reading and public hearing of an ordinance creating the Wolfhill Foundation Committee and asked the Clerk to read the Affidavit of Publication and the proposed ordinance by title only, as follows: **AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE WOLFHILL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS THEREOF, AND DESIGNATING ITS PURPOSE, POWERS AND DUTIES.** ORD.#
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Mayor Cavanagh opened the meeting to the public for any comments or questions on this subject only.

As no one wished to be heard on this matter, Councilwoman Filippone moved to close the public hearing on this ordinance. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilwoman Filippone then moved to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading and to advertise same in accordance with law. It was seconded by Councilman Miller.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Gemma, Filippone, Miller, Taylor, Wolfe and Silkworth.
NAYS: NONE.
ABSENT: NONE.
ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilwoman Filippone reminded everyone that the Veteran's Day ceremonies would be held on Tuesday, November 11, 1997 at 11:00 A.M. and she commented that everyone was invited and urged everyone to try and come out.

Councilwoman Filippone reported that the Historical Society will be having a meeting at the Community Center on November 24 and Marc VanSant will be giving a presentation of the history of Oceanport and commented that at their last meeting, Richard Bingham gave a presentation on the history of Fort Monmouth which was very well presented and well attended for this Committee.

Councilwoman Filippone moved to appoint Paul Severini as a member of the Historical Society. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilwoman Filippone reported that there will be a flu and pneumonia shots given at the Old Wharf House on Thursday, November 13 from 9 - 11 AM and the flu shot is \$5.00 and the pneumonia shot is \$10.00 but the shots are free if you have Medicare B.

COUNCILMAN MILLER: Councilman Miller offered his congratulations to both Councilwoman Silkworth on her re-election and to Marty McGann on his election to the Council and looked forward to working with them next year.

Councilman Miller reported under the Water Watch Committee, sampling had been done during September and October as well as Chris Widdis sampling in the Branchport Creek and the water quality appears to be improving since the horses have left Monmouth Park and they are going to speak with representatives at the Park to see what the problem might be and the Mayor will be setting up a meeting in the near future.

Councilman Miller also reported that there was a confirmation of a red tide in the Shrewsbury River from the Gooseneck Point area back to behind the Old Wharf Park and the problem appears to be that the area does not get flushed out, causing nutrients to build up in that location.

Councilman Miller reported that Captain Bebout, Sgt. Connor and Patrolman Murphy all completed a seminar in Cell Block Management-Suicide Awareness given by the Department of Corrections.

R-97-61 Councilman Miller then asked the Clerk to read resolution **R-97-61** authorizing the Borough of Oceanport to participate in the development of a regional stormwater management plan for the Shrewsbury River watershed, after which he moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and unanimously approved by Council.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR: Councilman Taylor offered his congratulations to Councilwoman Silkworth on her re-election to the Council and to Marty McGann on his election to this position and wished them both well in the coming years.

Councilman Taylor acknowledged Councilman Miller's efforts over the last several years with his work on the Waterways and Water Watch Committees as well as working with Tom Keller of the County and this resolution that we have just approved, is part of his efforts in keeping the Shrewsbury River clean for all our residents and he commended him for his work in this area.

R-97-62 **COUNCILMAN WOLFE:** Councilman Wolfe asked the Clerk to read resolution **R-97-62** transferring funds, after which he moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe congratulated Councilwoman Silkworth on her re-election to the Council and to Marty McGann on his election to the Council and looked forward to working with them in the coming year.

COUNCILWOMAN SILKWORTH: Councilwoman Silkworth extended her congratulations to Marty McGann and looked forward to working with him over the next three years and commented she was sorry to see Councilman Taylor leaving his position.

Councilwoman Silkworth welcomed a new business in the Borough, Glad Wags, which is replacing Houndstooth and is a dog grooming establishment and it is being run by a friend of hers, Hope Loversidge and she wished her well in this new venture.

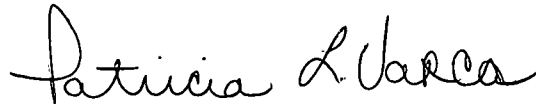
MAYOR CAVANAGH: Mayor Cavanagh stated he had no official report this evening, but wanted to also extend his congratulations to Councilwoman Silkworth on her re-election to the Council and to Marty McGann on his election to Council and wished them both well in the future.

Mayor Cavanagh then opened the meeting to the public for any comments or questions they might wish to make, but hearing none, closed the public portion of the meeting.

Councilman Wolfe moved to approve the bills listed on the Voucher Register dated Nov. 6, 1997. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and unanimously approved by Council. TOTAL 1997 VOUCHERS \$87,867.38. TOTAL 1997 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$86,609.53. TOTAL 1997 OPERATING FUND \$174,476.91. TOTAL DOG REGISTRY ACCOUNT \$158.70. TOTAL TRUST ACCOUNT \$5.00. TOTAL WATER WATCH TRUST ACCOUNT \$80.38. TOTAL RECREATION TRUST ACCOUNT \$225.51. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT \$14,434.03. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-TAX OVERPAYMENT \$948.70. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-SHORE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL \$174,879.60. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-LIEN REDEMPTION \$20,441.90. (SEE VOUCHER REGISTER).

At 8:30 P.M. Councilwoman Silkworth moved to adjourn this meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on November 20, 1997 at 8:00 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman Gemma and unanimously approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA L. VARCA
BOROUGH CLERK