

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
Oct. 16, 1997

- REGULAR MEETING:** The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on Oct. 16, 1997 at 8:22 P.M.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councilpersons Gemma, Filippone, Miller, Taylor, Wolfe, Silkworth and Mayor Cavanagh.
- OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Borough Clerk, Patricia L. Varca and 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.

CLERK'S REPORTS:

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

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN GEMMA: Councilman Gemma advised that last week he attended a meeting with representatives of the Monmouth County Planning Board to discuss the Cross Acceptance which is a State wide program and Oceanport is now considered to be in a Tier I Plan, which is an area relatively built up and they are considering a different Tier with regard to our down town village plan, but we want to see if there are any advantages for the Borough with this other designation and he will report further on this matter in the near future.

Councilman Gemma also reported that last week a seminar was held by the Statewide Worker's Compensation Fund.

COUNCILWOMAN FILIPPONE: Councilwoman Filippone called for the introduction of an ordinance with regard to the creation of the Wolfhill Farm Committee and asked the Clerk to read 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.**

Councilwoman Filippone moved to approve this ordinance on first reading. 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 moved to hold the public hearing on this ordinance at the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on November 6, 1997 and to advertise same in accordance with law. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth.

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilwoman Filippone then gave the Oceanport Volunteer First Aid Squad Captain's Report for the month of September, advising that there were 14 emergency calls, 3 motor vehicle, 3 mutual aid, 1 fire and 1 transportation for a total of 322 man/woman hours and they traveled 25 miles as well as receiving 8 total advanced life support calls and 3 calls to Monmouth Park.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that in regard to the First Aid Squad's fund drive, this is the first time in many years that they have received over 50% response from the residents and they feel this is due to the publicity they have been receiving in the Bulletin and they have received in the 1997 fund drive \$27,798.

Councilwoman Filippone also advised that there is a happy ending for the teacher at Wolfhill who was seriously ill and she has been operated on and is now home recuperating.

COUNCILMAN MILLER: Councilman Miller reported that according to the Police Report for September, the Dispatchers received 1,155 and our Police patrolled 11,522 miles during the past month. He also advised that Captain Bebout, Sgt. Connor and Patrolman Murphy satisfactorily completed a seminar in Cell Block Management-Suicide Awareness.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR: No Report.

COUNCILMAN WOLFE: Councilman Wolfe reported as a follow up to a meeting between the Governing Body and the Baseball Association regarding the Community Center ballfield, he has been in touch with Eatontown and has arranged for our Public Works Department to go over tomorrow morning and pick up 6 tons of leaf mulch, which will be dumped at the Community Center field.

Councilman Wolfe moved to award a bid for electrical inspections to Garden State Electrical Inspection Services, Monmouth Junction, NJ for a three year contract, retroactive to October 4, 1997. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe moved to award a bid for elevator inspections to EIC Inspection Agency Corp., Jersey City, NJ for a two year contract, retroactive to October 1, 1997. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe moved to reject the bids received for the reconstruction of Tecumseh Avenue and to authorize the Borough Engineer to re-advertise for bids for this project, as well as to return all bid bonds received. It was seconded by Councilman Gemma and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe commented that this was being done due to the fact that the bids received were again, over the amount of the grant received from the DOT.

Councilman Wolfe moved to return the performance guarantees for the following on the recommendation of the Borough Engineer:

- a) Oceanport Estates, Section I - \$3,204. for Blk. 10, Lots 13, 14 & 20 and Blk. 8, Lots 10 & 11.
- b) Oceanport Estates, Section II - \$7,296. for Blk. 10, Lots 13, 14 & 20 and Blk. 8, Lots 10 & 11.

It was seconded by Councilman Gemma and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe also advised Mayor Cavanagh that he had visited the NMCRSA this morning to check on a vehicle they have and are looking to get rid of same and will speak with the Mayor on this matter in the near future.

COUNCILWOMAN SILKWORTH: Councilwoman Silkworth reported that the Public Works employees have made some repairs to the roof at Borough Hall and hopefully, the Mayor's Office will now stay dry.

MAYOR CAVANAGH: Mayor Cavanagh read a proclamation proclaiming a curfew in the Borough for Mischief Nights and Halloween and commented that this year we have changed the time from 8:00 PM to 7:00 PM since it is dark at an earlier hour at the present time.

Mayor Cavanagh then opened the meeting to the public for any comments or questions they might have.

PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Alan Schneider, 79 Horseneck Point Road stated he is here to try and prevent a serious problem from occurring on his street. He continued that there is a major reconstruction project of a home on that street between 90-95 and during the day the tradesmen are there, but they park on the actual property, but at night, there are many cars parking on both sides of the street and on two occasions, the First Aid Squad was unable to get through as well as regular delivery trucks at times. He felt that perhaps when the construction is completed this will end, but he felt the Council should be aware of the potential problems that could arise from this matter.

Mayor Cavanagh directed the Borough Clerk to have Chief Joyce take a look at the situation and see if he felt something should be done regarding the parking matter brought up by Mr. Schneider.

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

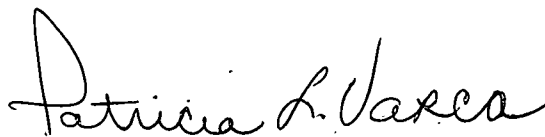
Councilman Wolfe moved to approve the bills listed on the Voucher Register dated October 16, 1997. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor and unanimously approved by Council. TOTOAL 1997 VOUCHERS \$111,708.94. TOTAL 1997 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$70,997.229. TOTAL 1997 OPERATING FUND \$182,706.23. TOTAL DOG REGISTRY ACCOUNT \$79.20. TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE II ACCOUNT \$1,407.00. TOTAL TRUST ACCOUNT \$499.57. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT \$350.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-SEWER LIENS \$250.95. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-OCEANPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION \$413,956.13. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-GRADEN STATE ELECTRICAL INSPECTION \$306.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-REFUND RAFFLE LICENSES \$170.00. (SEE VOUCHER REGISTER)

At 8:40 P.M. Councilwoman Silkworth moved to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss the Police Contract negotiations. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

At 8:50 P.M. Mayor Cavanagh advised for the record that the Council members were all back on the dais and there was no action being taken at this time.

At 8:51 P.M. Councilwoman Silkworth moved to adjourn this meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on November 6, 1997 at 8:00 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA L. VARCA
BOROUGH CLERK