

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
October 7, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on October 7, 2010 at 7:48 p.m. with Mayor Mahon stating the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilpersons Bertekap, Gallo, Irace, Kahle and Mayor Mahon

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilpersons Briscione, Johnson

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Borough Clerk, Kimberly A. Jungfer and Borough Attorney, John O. Bennett, III

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Mahon led the audience and members of the Council in the flag salute.

PUBLIC HEARING: Monmouth County Green Acres Grant application for a \$25,000.00 for a walking trail at Maria Gatta Community Park.

Mayor Mahon introduced Jeff Bottger, Recreation Committee Member, opening the Public Hearing for the matter. Mr. Bottger stated the purpose of the application was for a Monmouth County Green Acres Grant application for \$25,000 for a walking trail at Maria Gatta Community Park.

Mr. Bottger presented a concept design to create a walking trail at Maria Gatta Community Park that would be used to apply for a funding from the Monmouth County Green Acres Grant program. Mr. Bottger described where the trail would be constructed, the materials that would be used in the construction and that it would have no impact on the wetland areas or on the existing soccer fields. Mr. Bottger stated the projected costs were \$50,000 exclusive of soft costs and that the grant if approved would provide 50% - \$25,000.00 and as it was a matching program the Borough would match that amount with funds from the Borough's Open Space Trust Fund. Mr. Bottger concluded the presentation with a timeline for the project.

PUBLIC:

Chris Baggot, 200 Comanche Drive, asked what the track would be made of which Mr. Bottger responded gravel but a very compact gravel that would also be ADA compliant. Mr. Baggot asked if earth-friendly "green" materials were considered. Mr. Bottger answered yes, what other materials were considered and that loose gravel was a natural material.

As no one else from the public wished to be heard Mayor Mahon asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing which was made by Councilwoman Kahle and seconded by Councilman Irace and approved by Council.

GUESTS: Councilwoman Kahle thanked all of the students for a great job on the mural which was initiated by the Quality of Life Committee and presented students of the Shore Regional International Baccalaureate Program for their work on the Mural at Old Wharf Park with Certificates of Recognition.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resolution authorizing the payment of bills. **R-10-139**
2. Resolution authorizing a change order for Charles Park. **R-10-140**
3. Approval of the workshop meeting minutes of September 16, 2010
4. Approval of the regular meeting minutes of September 16, 2010.

The Clerk stated there were 4 items on the Consent Agenda and Items 3 & 4 had changes from the workshop and stated what they were 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 the exception of Councilman Bertekap who abstained from Items 3 and 4, Councilman Gallo who abstained from Items 3 and 4.

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: No report

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN BERTEKAP: Councilman Bertekap reported that Public Works was gearing up for leaf pickup season, thanked them for their hard work and reminded residents to check the leaf pickup schedule for their designated week(s).

COUNCILMAN GALLO: Councilman Gallo thanked everyone who participated in Summer's End which was a great success.

COUNCILMAN IRACE:

1. Resolution certifying review of the 2009 Audit **R-10-141**

Councilman Irace asked Ms. Jungfer to read a resolution certifying review of the 2009 audit by title only and then made a motion to adopt the resolution which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council.

As Councilman Johnson was not able to attend Councilman Irace offered the following items after Ms. Jungfer gave an explanation of the items.

1. 2nd reading and public hearing of a Refunding Bond ordinance.
2. 2nd reading and public hearing an amendment to the Fee Ordinance regarding Tax Collector Fees. **#886**

Councilman Irace called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of **REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE BOROUGH'S GENERAL OBLIGATION, SERIES 2002, HERETOFORE ISSUED TO FINANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$582,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$582,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF** and then asked the Clerk to read the affidavit of publication by title only.

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.

Councilman Irace stated that this matter would be carried to the October 21, 2010 meeting for action on this item.

Councilman Irace called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of **AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 204 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT ENTITLED FEES TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ARTICLE IV ENTITLED TAX COLLECTOR FEES** and then asked the Clerk to read the affidavit of publication by title only.

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.

Councilman Irace 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: Bertekap, Gallo, Irace, Kahle
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Bertekap, Johnson

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE: Councilwoman Kahle reported that the Board of Health would be holding their annual flu clinic on October 29, 2010 from 9-12pm.

MAYOR MAHON: No report

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

PUBLIC:

Ed Ryan, 24 Willow Court, commented that on the last lighting outage he wanted to compliment the dispatchers for the calmly way they worked the radio with the street department, fire department and police department as on his home radio he heard other towns that were chaotic but not Oceanport's dispatchers. Mr. Ryan continued that he had read in the newspaper that the Mayor had cut down the town's sirens and stated his opinion was that if they cut out the 3rd siren first aid call that it should go off for the 1st one and explained why they shouldn't rely on the pagers as there were problems in the past with pagers being disconnected about 8-9 years ago when someone in the police department removed a cable, also they were without them for about a 1 ½ years a few years back, when someone was in a pool, and asked that they stop and think about that. Mr. Ryan offered additional comments about the number of volunteers and the amount of training required and other examples as to why they should not do away with the siren on the 1st and 2nd calls for first aid.

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

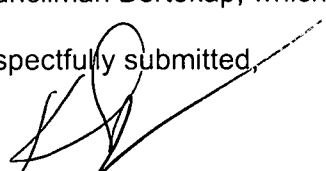
Bill List: Ad Hoc Trust \$100.00 Capital Trust \$9,165.25. Dog Registry \$787.40 Escrow Trust \$4,013.75 Fireworks Trust \$119.96. Open Space \$5,307.60 Water Watch Trust \$56.54 2009 Vouchers Paid \$400,045.24. 2009 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$1,260.00 Total 2009 Vouchers Paid \$401,305.24. 2010 Vouchers Paid \$15,922,200.60. 2010 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$1,196,783.70. Total 2010 Vouchers Paid \$17,118,984.30

At 8:12 p.m. the Clerk read a Resolution authorizing the meeting to enter Executive Session for the purposes of personnel and that formal action may be taken after the Executive Session on a motion made by Councilwoman Kahle and seconded by Councilman Bertekap and approved by Council.

At 8:58 p.m. the Council returned from Executive Session and re-opened the Regular Meeting on a motion by Councilman Irace which was seconded by Councilman Bertekap and approved by Council.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Bertekap, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,


KIMBERLY A JUNGFER
BOROUGH CLERK