

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
October 6, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor Mahon on October 6, 2011 at 7:36 P.M. with Mayor Mahon stating the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

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

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

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 requested Council's consent to take the Agenda out of order and as there were no objections asked the Clerk to read a Resolution promoting Michael S. Chenoweth to the rank of Sergeant. Councilwoman Kahle made a motion to adopt the resolution which was seconded by Councilman Johnson.

The Clerk called roll:

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

The Clerk stated that the motion passed unanimously. **R-11-145**

The Oath of Office was administered to Michael S. Chenoweth, Sergeant.

Mayor Mahon commented that they were promoting the Borough's Traffic Safety Unit and that both officers had been consistently excellent officers and have set examples for the younger officers in the Department and due to their positive attitudes and leadership they are the Department Field Training Officers teaching new probationary officers besides performing all of the normal duties of police officers. Both have been heavily involved in traffic safety throughout their careers through enforcement and education. If you see a sign on the roadway with a message about traffic safety or a notice in the Borough bulletin, it's usually one of these officers that put it there.

Mayor Mahon spoke about Michael Chenoweth, hired June 5, 1997, who was consistently commended by members of the public for his professionalism and his caring attitude and that the Court received a letter commenting on his professionalism which was enclosed with the payment of the ticket. Officer Chenoweth has received the Life Saving Award, the Chief's Achievement Award, Exceptional Duty Awards, Honorable Service Awards and Department Commendations.

Mayor Mahon spoke about Michael P. Kelly, hired June 1, 1998, who has completed traffic engineering for the Police Officer and is involved with all traffic planning for any road projects in the Borough. Officer Kelly has received the Nationally Certified Drug Recognition Expert and a Certified Child Safety Seat Technician. Officer Kelly has received the Chief's Achievement Award, Exceptional Duty Awards, Honorable Service Awards, Department Commendations and Outstanding Service Awards by the NJ Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

Mayor Mahon asked the Clerk to read a Resolution promoting Michael P. Kelly to the rank of Sergeant. Councilwoman Kahle made a motion to adopt the resolution which was seconded by Councilman Ibex.

The Clerk called roll:

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

The Clerk stated that the motion passed unanimously. **R-11-146**

The Oath of Office was administered to Michael P. Kelly, Sergeant.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resolution authorizing the payment of bills. **R-11-147**
2. Resolution authorizing renewal of membership with the Monmouth Municipal JIF. **R-11-148**
3. Resolution authorizing a tax lien for property maintenance, Block 11, Lot 12 **R-11-149**
4. Resolution authorizing a tax lien for property maintenance, Block 83, Lot 6 **R-11-150**
5. Resolution authorizing tax refunds due to overpayment. **R-11-151**
6. Resolution authorizing a tax sale certificate redemption. **R-11-152**
7. Resolution requesting approval of a special revenue item from the Division of Local Government Services. **R-11-153**
8. Resolution authorizing signature of Developer's Agreement for the Village Center project **R-11-154**
9. Resolution authorizing signature of Dedication of Right of Ways for Village Center project. **R-11-155**
10. Approval of the Special meeting minutes of September 14, 2011.
11. Approval of the Executive Session minutes of September 14, 2011.
12. Approval of the Workshop meeting minutes of September 15, 2011.
13. Approval of the Regular meeting minutes of September 15, 2011.
14. Approval of the Executive Session minutes of September 15, 2011.
15. Approval of the Special meeting minutes of September 28, 2011.

The Clerk stated there were 15 items on the consent agenda and asked for a motion. Councilman Johnson moved to approve the consent agenda as presented which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council with the exception of Councilpersons Bertekap and Ibex whom abstained from items 10 and 11.

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN BERTEKAP: No report

COUNCILMAN IBEX: No report

COUNCILMAN IRACE: Councilman Irace reported that the Borough was notified earlier that day by the Governor's office the results of the pension benefit reform and asked Ms. Jungfer to give details on the amounts. Ms. Jungfer stated that the Borough's next year pension payment obligation would be reduced by \$132,000 – the equivalent of a penny on the tax rate.

Councilman Irace also wanted to acknowledge the sponsors of the Summer's End Festival which is not supported by taxpayer dollars and commended: the St. Barnabas Health Care System (Monmouth Medical Center), Homemade Medical, the Gruskos Family, Scala's Pizzeria, Les Vreeland Associates,

Calvary Baptist Church, NJ RoadRunners, Ryser's Landscaping Supply, T&M Associates, Santo Inc., AForce Inc., Maser Consulting, Jersey Printing, Future Sanitation and Dilworth Paxson.

COUNCILMAN GALLO: No report

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON: The agenda item for introduction of an ordinance repealing and replacing an ordinance entitled "Fire Department" was tabled pending a review of the Public Safety Committee and a recommendation back to the Governing Body.

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE: Councilwoman Kahle reported on her attendance for the Mayor's Roundtable Breakfast and Tour at Monmouth Medical Center on Sept. 26th including their 125th Anniversary in 2012, new programs implemented, new technology regarding a Gamma Knife now being used for brain tumors or brain cancer, a separate geriatric section of the emergency department and the hiring of new physicians of their Children's Hospital trying to bring it up to the same level as some of the premier facilities in the nation such as Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Councilwoman Kahle also commented that Monmouth Medical Center employs 34 residents of Oceanport and as such was a significant employer. Councilwoman Kahle concluded her report with statistics including the number of Oceanport patient admissions of 383 and more than 4,000 emergency room visits by Oceanport residents.

Councilwoman Kahle also reported that in conjunction with the Quality of Life Committee, they would be joining Monmouth Medical in the campaign for Breast Cancer Awareness for the month of October and mentioned some of the initiatives they would be implementing this year including a "Lunch and Learn", an exercise class and pink bows displayed all around town and invited anyone to contribute their suggestion for a campaign slogan. She also reported that the Borough's businesses would be handing out tote bags with a pen and magnet and information on various programs including free mammogram screenings.

Councilwoman Kahle continued by acknowledging Jeanne Smith, the Borough's Deputy Clerk and Rich Arlt from Public Works for their work at the Paper Shredding Day held on October 1st and that the event was well attended with no long wait times for unloading and that the tonnage amount from its recycling would benefit the Borough and reduces the tonnage costs for ordinary disposal.

Councilwoman Kahle also advised that there would be a receptacle in Borough Hall for the recycling of inkjet cartridges and if you drop off your used inkjet cartridges \$4 would go back into the Borough's recycling program.

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON added to his report that on September 19th he along with Councilwoman Kahle, Councilman Ibex and Borough Administrator Kim Jungfer met with the Board of Education concerning Shared Services, mentioned some of the existing Shared Services Agreements for sanitation/recycling, landscaping and snow removal, sports fields, CodeRed system, DARE officers, OEM and that they were discussing possible shared services for IT, psychologist services and that the members decided to meet quarterly and welcomed other suggestions for sharing services.

MAYOR MAHON: Mayor Mahon thanked Councilwoman Kahle for attending the Mayor's Roundtable meeting with St. Barnabas and other Council members that attend on his behalf when he was not able – especially during the business day. Mayor Mahon also commented that he dropped off his shredding and then was able to drop off his electronics at the event for West Long Branch.

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

PUBLIC:

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

Bill List: Ad Hoc \$155.00 Capital Trust \$34,650.55 Escrow Trust \$9,379.25 Open Space Trust \$10,155.25 Trust Other \$234.00 Water Watch Trust \$162.00 **2010 Vouchers Paid \$344,516.17 2010 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$0.00 Total 2010 Vouchers Paid \$344,516.17 2011 Vouchers Paid \$15,663,963.35 2011 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$1,247,989.35 Total 2011 Vouchers Paid \$16,911,952.70**

At 8:03 p.m. the Clerk read a Resolution authorizing the meeting to enter Executive Session for the purpose of personnel matters on a motion made by Councilwoman Kahle and seconded by Councilman Ibex and approved by Council.

At 8:46 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 Ibex and approved by Council.

Mayor Mahon announced that the Oceanport's Over 40 Men's Softball Team Oceanport 1 were the 2011 Champions of the Two Rivers Men's Softball League and that this was the 3rd year in a row that this team had risen to the top and claimed the Championship.

Mayor Mahon presented a Certificate of Recognition to Team Oceanport 1 on behalf of the Mayor and Council.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. on a motion by Councilwoman Kahle, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,

KIMBERLY A JUNGFER
BOROUGH CLERK