

Oceanport, New Jersey
September 5, 1991

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oceanport was called to order on September 5, 1991 at 8:10 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilpersons McGee, Filippone, Miller, Rodman, Wolfe and Mayor Cavanagh.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Terra.

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Borough Clerk, Patricia L. Varca.

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Borough Attorney, Francis A. Margalotti.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Rabbi Daina.

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

As copies of the minutes from the regular meeting held on August 15, 1991 had been made available for review by 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 Councilman Miller and approved by Council with the exception of Councilman Rodman who abstained from voting because he was absent at that meeting.

CLERK'S REPORTS:

1. Police report for the month of AUGUST, 1991 and a copy will be posted on the Bulletin Board.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN MCGEE: Councilman McGee advised Councilman Wolfe that following the discussion at the work shop meeting concerning the lighting at Relwof and Bridgewaters Drive, he made an inspection of the area and found that there are three poles at that location but no lights presently and he suggested that they meet there with the Borough Engineer and the Police Chief to determine where best to have lights installed.

COUNCILMAN TERRA: ABSENT.

COUNCILWOMAN FILIPPONE: Councilwoman Filippone reported that we have now licensed 618 dogs in the Borough and she urged that cat owners make sure they vaccinate them against rabies. She also reported that by the end of September we will have in place an ordinance which will mandate that all cat owners have their cats vaccinated against rabies and in the newspaper tonight there was an article that stated that Ocean County now has 5 cases of confirmed rabies in raccoons and they are very close to the Monmouth County border and it is just a matter of time when the rabies comes into Monmouth County.

Councilwoman Filippone also suggested that all parents educate their children to stay away from animals they are not familiar with or who are not acting normally.

Councilwoman Filippone wished Rabbi Daina and all our Jewish friends in the Borough a Happy New Year.

COUNCILMAN MILLER: Councilman Miller also extended to Rabbi Daina and all our Jewish residents a Happy New Year.

Councilman Miller reported under the Waterways and Water Watch Committees that there are several new members that have been working with the Litterbug to clean up our river of any floatables and they are Bill Stine, Doug White, Bart Boyle, Fred Filippone and Peter Kemmerer. He also thanked Councilman Terra and wished him well and Councilman Wolfe. Councilman Miller also gave a special thanks to Fred Filippone for watching the Litterbug during Hurricane Bob.

Councilman Miller stated that the last time an analysis was done of the Borough's storm drains by the Water Watch Committee the one behind the First Aid Building on Pemberton Avenue had a coliform count of 1,700; Asbury Ave. was 80; drain at Monmouth Blvd. and Bayview Pl. was 1,700; the drain at the Pleasure Bay Bridge on the Branchport side was 500. He stated that on August 13 the Litterbug went out and sampled on the Oceanport and Parker Creek side and those results were very edifying and right by the railroad bridge on Oceanport Creek the fecal coliform count was 50; near Charles Park was 23; by Parker Creek by the railroad bridge was 170; Parker Creek near Horseneck Point was 30 and to show us what happens when a marina has a pump out facility, we took samples near the Branchport Creek and at Long Branch Marina the count was 13 and at the Patton Avenue Marina the count was 4. He continued that one of the things he is striving to do is get Assemblymen Villapiano and Jacobson to expedite a DEP Permit for additional slips at Seeley's Marina and not so much for the additional slips, but because they will have to put in a pump out facility which will help out our river.

Councilman Miller stated just to summarize, on the 8th of August the County took some samples of the track area and they were not nearly as bad at the bridge near Casa Comida as they have been in the past and are down around 500-700, but the tide was coming in that day, but within the track the numbers were still quite high.

Councilman Miller reported that there will be a meeting of the Water Watch Committee on September 10 and because of an article in the Asbury Park Press last week where the County Health Officer, Lester Jargowsky, was quoted as saying "towns that use the County Health Dept. Laboratory for the testing of storm drains as an end result of the Infrastructure Act will be charged \$5.00 per sample for fecal coliform and total coliform tests and \$4.00 per sample for enterococcus tests. He stated these cost are only if the Borough has some way of doing the sampling ourselves and as he has mentioned in the past, we have a very dedicated group of waterwatchers and Bill Simmons who is in charge of the Water Quality Testing for the County will be at that meeting and speak to us about the process under which the samples must be taken and in the end it will save the town thousands of dollars.

Councilman Miller advised that there were several meetings held last week, one on Monday and he and Councilwoman Filippone attended a meeting in Fair Haven that was set up by Assemblymen Villapiano and Jacobson to deal with the environmental problems of both the Navesink and Shrewsbury Rivers and it was a very interesting meeting. He stated that the consensus from this meeting was that there are a lot of good things happening in both rivers with a lot of fish and crabs and many water birds this year than in the past, but there is still a lot of work to be done especially in pinpointing the non point source pollution. He stated the other meeting was attended by himself, Councilman Wolfe and Mayor Cavanagh at the track to speak about some of the things the track is

doing and he found it very informative and a lot transpired between the two parties. He stated that although we are pleased with some of the improvements at the track, there are still things to be addressed especially concerning their housekeeping and the people who work at the track must be educated to try and do a better job with transporting the manure from the stables to the roll offs, cleaning up, etc.

Councilman Miller reminded all the residents that the Summer's End Festival will be held this Sunday at Blackberry Bay Park and the Fort Monmouth Army Band will be performing, there will be tailgate picnics, over 35 softball game and fireworks in the evening. He reported that the Fireworks Fund is in good shape with \$4,000 collected and we need another \$500 more to complete the fund and anyone who donates \$50 or more will receive a Summer's End tee shirt.

COUNCILMAN RODMAN: Councilman Rodman wished all our Jewish citizens a Happy New Year and wished Councilman Terra a speedy recovery.

COUNCILMAN WOLFE: Councilman Wolfe acknowledged the County road project on Myrtle Avenue and commented that he had been in contact with Paul Bedford, County Road Supervisor, prior to the work being begun and he assured both Chief Joyce and himself that it would only be a one day project, which it was and an excellent job was done by the County and after the recent rain storm, it has definitely helped out with some drainage problems with ponding and he offered his thanks to Mr. Bedford for the fine job that was done.

Councilman Wolfe wanted to remind everyone that the new school year has begun and urged all drivers to obey the speed limits and the Chief and his Department will be strictly enforcing and monitoring the traffic laws within the Borough.

Councilman Wolfe reported that last week at Blackberry Bay Park on Port-au-Peck Avenue there was a re-paving job that was done, not by the Borough, but part of a final restoration undertaken by Mike Lyons of the NMCRSA, who had promised to complete this after a major pipe had failed several months ago and he commented that they lived up to their agreement and repaved the entire parking lot, which project was done by our own Vinny Fiore and his paving company and they did a good job.

Councilman Wolfe wished all our Jewish residents a happy and healthy New Year.

MAYOR CAVANAGH: Mayor Cavanagh offered the name of Judith Ricci to fill a vacancy as a School Crossing Guard, which term expires December 31, 1991.

Councilman Wolfe moved to approve this appointment. It was seconded by Councilman McGee and unanimously approved by Council.

Mayor Cavanagh commented as Councilman Miller reported on earlier, we have begun working on next year and the river and as he said in the beginning of this season, it is a sometimes painstaking process that is contributed to by a lot of people all summer. He continued that as was reported, it has borne some results that are positive and he does not know of any substitute for accomplishing more results other than to continue to plug away at the situation and hopefully with the continued cooperation of the Authority and others, we will be able to continue to upgrade the quality of the water in the river.

Mayor Cavanagh extended to the Rabbi and to all our Jewish residents his best wishes for the New Year.

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

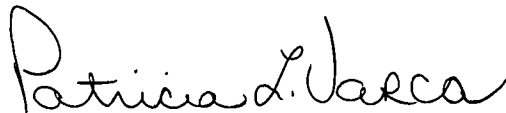
PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

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

Councilman Wolfe moved to approve the bills as listed on the voucher Register dated September 5, 1991. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council. TOTAL 1991 VOUCHERS \$64,335.55. TOTAL 1991 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$22,994.23. TOTAL 1991 OPERATING FUND \$87,329.78. TOTAL TRUST ACCOUNT \$421.00. TOTAL RECREATION TRUST ACCOUNT \$1,799.50. TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TRUST ACCOUNT \$420.00. TOTAL DOG REGISTRY ACCOUNT \$47.40. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-TAX OVERPAYMENT \$328.23. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-OCEANPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION \$796,678.60. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-MIDDLE DEPARTMENT INSPECTION AGENCY \$298.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-FIRE PREVENTION \$9.75. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-HOMESTEAD REBATE \$1,100.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-TAX SALE CERT. REDEMPTION \$177.47. (SEE VOUCHER REGISTER)

At 8:27 P.M. Councilman Rodman moved to adjourn the meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on September 19, 1991 at 8:00 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA L. VARCA
BOROUGH CLERK