

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
August 21 , 1997

- REGULAR MEETING:** The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on August 21, 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 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.

As copies of the minutes from the regular meeting held on July 17, 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.

Mayor Cavanagh stated the next order of business was for the Borough Clerk to administer the Oath of Office to our newest Patrolman, Michael S. Chenoweth, after which the members of the Governing Body offered their congratulations to Patrolman Chenoweth and wished him well in the future.

CLERK'S REPORTS:

1. Police report for the month of JULY, 1997 and a copy will be posted on the bulletin board.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN GEMMA: Councilman Gemma advised that in the coming months, the Planning and Zoning Boards will be reviewing some of the Borough ordinances in order to update some of our regulations and recommendations will be made to the Governing Body in this regard, once the reviews are completed.

Councilman Gemma also offered his congratulations to Patrolman Chenoweth.

COUNCILWOMAN FILIPPONE: Councilwoman Filippone called for the second reading and public hearing of an amendment to the Borough's Fees ordinance and asked the Clerk to read the Affidavit of Publication and proposed ordinance by title only as follows: **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED THE "BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT FEES ORDINANCE" PASSED AND APPROVED APRIL 16, 1981.**

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Mayor Cavanagh opened the meeting to the public for any comments or questions they might have on this subject only, but hearing none, Councilwoman Filippone moved to close the public hearing on this subject. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously approved by Council.

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

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilwoman Filippone offered her congratulations to Patrolman Chenoweth and welcomed him to the Borough and hoped he would be happy in the Department.

Councilwoman Filippone moved to accept the resignation received from Patricia Orlando from the Oceanport Board of Health and to appoint Carole Connor to fill this vacancy, which term expires on December 31, 1999. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilwoman Filippone extended her appreciation to Pat Orlando, who was a vital member of the Board of Health and she will be missed.

Councilwoman Filippone commented that she had the Captain's Report for the First Aid Squad during the month of July and stated that they were extremely busy last month and appear to be even busier this month. She continued that during July there were 30 emergency calls, 4 motor vehicle accidents, 2 fires, 7 mutual aid calls and 23 other, many of which were at the Lions Club Fair, for a total of 394 miles that month and 734 man/woman hours. Councilwoman Filippone reported that there were also 15 life support calls and 3 calls to Monmouth Park.

COUNCILMAN MILLER: Councilman Miller stated he attended the Peach Festival at the United Methodist Church last evening and had a very nice time.

Councilman Miller advised everyone that the lines that are in the roadway on both Monmouth Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue are car counters, which the County has temporary installed to see how much traffic is going through this area. He continued this is being done due to a request from Chief Joyce to the County for a traffic light at the intersection of Monmouth Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue.

Councilman Miller also advised that Chief Joyce and Jim Slattery, with some assistance from the Mayor, have requested permission from the County to use an area near the Myrtle/Adrian Avenue intersection, during high tides, for the people on Gooseneck Point to park their cars. He stated that a letter has been forwarded to the County and we are presently awaiting their response.

Councilman Miller reported that the local PBA will be conducting a Casino Night on September 20, 1997 at the Shrewsbury Sailing Club and the proceeds will be donated to charity.

Councilman Miller also wanted to commend the Oceanport Police Department, and in particular, Patrolman Murphy and Detective Sgt. Sutton, who in checking his home while he was on vacation, found a rear door unlocked and contacted the person staying at the home, who responded and luckily everything was found to be in order and they did a great job not only addressing the situation, but in calming down his niece as well.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR: Councilman Taylor moved to award a contract for concrete curb work under the ADA regulations to the low bidder, Aldarelli Enterprises, Ocean, NJ in the amount of \$27,150, as well as to approve a change order to increase the amount of said contract by 20% above the original bid amount not to exceed a maximum of \$32,580 in order to further complete other locations, subject to the approval by the Monmouth County Community Development Office and to return the bid bonds to the unsuccessful bidders. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilman Taylor reported that he recently attended a Recycling Coordinators meeting on Tuesday and there was a representative from the County Household Waste Facility who advised that this program is going better than ever expected and so far they have collected 210,000 tons of hazardous waste material. He continued that the one major problem is that you must make an appointment before going out and many people are not following that requirement and he reported that 33 Oceanport residents have been to the facility and only 7 did not have appointments.

Councilman Taylor stated that this facility was also going to provide a service whereby municipalities who find hazardous type materials dumped in their town may take them out to the County Facility in order to dispose of them properly, but the Public Works Department would also have to make an appointment prior to going out.

COUNCILMAN WOLFE: Councilman Wolfe stated he wanted to let everyone know that our Public Works Superintendent had surgery on Wednesday and is home and feeling okay and he will be out for the next week to ten days, before coming back to light duty and doing administrative type work for awhile and he extended get well wishes from the entire Governing Body to Tom Crochet.

Councilman Wolfe congratulated Mike Chenoweth on being sworn in this evening as a Patrolman and wished him well.

Councilman Wolfe offered his thanks to Connie Savarese for coordinating a group showing of a film on Hepatitis B, which is mandatory for members of the First Aid Squad, Fire, Police and Public Works departments and they had a very good turn out the other evening and she is doing a very good job with this program.

Councilwoman Filippone added that there will be the Hepatitis B shots given out at the First Aid Squad on Tuesday evening and asked that Councilman Wolfe make his people aware of this, so if they are interested, they should be there on that night.

COUNCILWOMAN SILKWORTH: Councilwoman Silkworth echoed her congratulations to our newest Patrolman, Michael Chenoweth.

Councilwoman Silkworth reported that the roof at the Old Wharf House has been repaired with new plywood and shingles and hopefully will last a very long time.

MAYOR CAVANAGH: Mayor Cavanagh announced that on Thursday, August 28, 1997 at 8:00 P.M. the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders will hold their meeting here in our Borough Hall and he will be here to welcome them and requested the Clerk to have a welcome sign on our Community Events Sign that evening.

Mayor Cavanagh stated that during the weeks of September 8 and 15, 1997, the Northeast Monmouth County Regional Sewer Authority will be testing the lines in the Port-au-Peck Section including Hiawatha Ave., Bayview Place, Algonquin Ave. and Pocano Avenue and this will be done during midnight through 6 AM and the only inconvenience may be the sound of the diesel engines.

Mayor Cavanagh asked Chief Joyce if he knew how much it cost to purchase the equipment being used in neighboring Police Departments, which shows the driver how fast they are going by lighting up their speed, to which the Chief stated he thought it would be anywhere from \$4,500 - \$6,000 and asked where exactly the Mayor would want to use this equipment and also commented that it has been found to be very successful when drivers see exactly how fast they are going.

Following a brief discussion as to whether we might be able to purchase this equipment with another town and share it or possibly rent it from perhaps Monmouth Beach for a short time and stated he will speak with the Mayor of Monmouth Beach about the possibility of working something out with this equipment.

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

Councilman Wolfe moved to approve the bills as listed on the Voucher Register dated August 21, 1997. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor and unanimously approved by Council. TOTAL 1996 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$207.00. TOTAL 1997 VOUCHERS \$2,101,338.21. TOTAL 1997 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$148,475.36. TOTAL 1997 OPERATING FUND \$2,249,813.57. TOTAL DOG REGISTRY ACCOUNT \$46.20. TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE II ACCOUNT \$2,990.50. TOTAL RECREATION TRUST ACCOUNT \$5,9114.75. TOTAL TRUST ACCOUNT \$1,527.99. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT \$22,710.55. TOTAL WATER WATCH TRUST ACCOUNT \$67.19. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-TAX OVERPAYMENT \$1,412.36. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-FIRE PREVENTION \$45.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-LOCAL EXPENSE PAYMENT \$19,885.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-GARDEN STATE ELECTRICAL INSPECTION \$1,492.00.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-STATE TRAINING FEE \$1,033.18. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-SHORE REIGONAL HIGH SCHOOL \$174,,8879.60. (SEE VOUCHER REGISTER)

At 8:35 P.M. Councilwoman Silkworth moved to adjourn this meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on September 4, 1997 at 8:00 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman Gemma and unanimously approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA L. VARCA
BOROUGH CLERK