

REGULAR MEETING

Oceanport, New Jersey
August 18, 1994

- REGULAR MEETING:** The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on August 18, 1994 at 8:12 P.M.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor, Wolfe and Mayor Cavanagh.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Councilman Miller.
- OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Borough Clerk, Patricia L. Varca and Borough Attorney, Francis A. Margalotti.
- 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 21 and the Emergency Meeting held on August 8, 1994 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 Clerk.

CLERK'S REPORTS:

1. Police report for the month of JULY, 1994.
2. Raffle license applications made by the following:
 - a) Monmouth Park Charity Fund, Inc., to be held 8/21/94, 50/50 cash raffle.
 - b) Monmouth Park Charity Fund, Inc., to be held 9/2/94, Washington Road trip.
 - c) Monmouth Park Charity Fund, Inc., to be held 9/3/94, 50/50 cash raffle.

The Clerk advised that the paperwork for the above listed raffles was found to be in order and the required fees had been paid, after which Councilman Clark moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilman McGee and unanimously approved by Council.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN CLARK: Councilman Clark advised that earlier this evening he had spoken with Mrs. Daina who advised that Rabbi Daina had suffered another heart attack and was receiving 24 hour a day care and he told her that we are all keeping them both in our prayers and wishing them well.

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Councilman Clark called for the second reading of a bond ordinance regarding the 1994 road improvement program and asked the Clerk to read the Affidavit of Publication and the proposed bond ordinance by title only as follows: **BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$140,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$133,00 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR**

**VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE
BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY.**

Mayor Cavanagh opened the meeting to the public for any comments or questions anyone might care to make.

As no one from the public wished to be heard, Councilman Clark moved to close the public hearing on this matter. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and approved by Council.

Councilman Clark moved to adopt this bond ordinance on second and final reading and to advertise same in accordance with law. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor and Wolfe.

NAYS: NONE.

ABSENT: Councilman Miller.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilman Clark called for the introduction of an ordinance authorizing park improvements and asked the Clerk to read the proposed ordinance by title only as follows: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING REPAIR OF BASKETBALL COURT AT COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE SUM OF \$3,500., AND PURCHASE OF SHRUBBERY FOR OLD WHARF PARK FOR THE SUM OF \$3,000.**

Councilman Clark then moved to approve this ordinance on first reading. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor and Wolfe.

NAYS: NONE.

ABSENT: Councilman Miller.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilman Clark moved to hold the public hearing on this ordinance at the meeting scheduled to be held on September 1, 1994 and to advertise same in accordance with law. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor and Wolfe.

NAYS: NONE.

ABSENT: Councilman Miller.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilman Clark called for the introduction of a bond ordinance for the purchase of a leaf vacuum and asked the Clerk to read the proposed ordinance by title only as follows: **BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$15,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$14,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY.**

Councilman Clark moved to approve this bond ordinance on first reading. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor and Wolfe.
NAYS: NONE.
ABSENT: Councilman Miller.
ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilman Clark moved to hold the public hearing on this ordinance at the Council meeting scheduled to be held on September 12, 1994 and to advertise same in accordance with law. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor and Wolfe.
NAYS: NONE.
ABSENT: Councilman Miller.
ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilman Clark then called for the introduction of an ordinance amending the fee ordinance regarding variance fees and asked the Clerk to read the proposed ordinance by title only as follows:
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "THE FEES ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT" PASSED AND APPROVED ON APRIL 16, 1981.

Councilman Clark moved to approve this ordinance on first reading. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor and Wolfe.
NAYS: NONE.
ABSENT: Councilman Miller.
ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilman Clark moved to hold the public hearing on this ordinance at the Council meeting scheduled to be held on September 1, 1994 and to advertise same in accordance with law. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES: Councilpersons Clark, McGee, Filippone, Taylor and Wolfe.
NAYS: NONE.
ABSENT: Councilman Miller.
ABSTAIN: NONE.

Councilman Clark then asked the Clerk to read resolution **R-94-56** regarding the granting of veteran's tax deductions, after which he moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilwoman Filippone and approved by Council.

COUNCILMAN MCGEE: Councilman McGee reported that Det. Sgt. John Rolly recently underwent open heart surgery and he is pleased to report that he is home from the hospital and doing very well. He also advised that Ptl. Steve Tagerty had also been hospitalized with bi-lateral pneumonia and he is also home and resting comfortably and hopefully will be back to work shortly.

Councilman McGee moved to appoint Rosemary Gaynor, 6 Asbury Avenue, Oceanport as a School Crossing Guard and stated she will fill the vacancy from Mrs. Christiansen's recent retirement. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and approved by Council.

Councilman McGee moved to appoint a Lynn Slater, Willow Drive, Ocean as a Relief Dispatcher and commented that she is a full time Dispatcher in Shrewsbury and works as a Relief Part Time Dispatcher for Tinton Falls and Ocean Township and she will be replacing one of our senior members of the Dispatch Team who is no longer able to work the midnight shift and will not be replacing anyone, but will be used in an as need basis. Councilwoman Filippone seconded this appointment and it was approved by Council.

COUNCILWOMAN FILIPPONE: Councilwoman Filippone reported that the Oceanport First Aid Squad had a very busy month in July and received 21 emergency calls, 11 motor vehicle accidents, 5 mutual aid calls, which is down from last month, 2 fires, 0 transportation and 1 other for a total of 35 calls and 258 man/woman hours.

Councilwoman Filippone also reported that the new ambulance, #58, is officially in service in July. She also advised that they have just received an anonymous donation of \$2,500 for the purchase of a defibrillator and we are very pleased about that. She reported that the Senior Citizens Club has a donation every month at their meeting and they have donated \$611 during the past year and \$250 in memory of deceased members of the Oceanport Senior Citizens Club.

Councilwoman Filippone wanted to commend one of the members of the Oceanport First Aid Squad, who is a Park Ranger at Gateway National Park for the summer and Chris Wallace has been called upon to fight forest fires out west and we are very proud of him as are the members of the Squad that this young man is undertaking this responsibility. She stated that Chris is a student at Boston College studying to be a physician and he may not even be able to get back to school on time due to the fires.

Councilwoman Filippone reported that the Oceanport First Aid Squad's fund drive has so far collected \$8,696. and sent out over 1800 letters and received 707 replies, which is not great, but they are not disappointed with the response either, since many residents had bought the 50/50 raffle tickets for the defibrillators in the Spring. She also urged anyone who has not as yet sent in their donation, to please do so in the near future.

COUNCILMAN MILLER: ABSENT.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR: Councilman Taylor advised that the County would be holding Hazardous Waste Days on Saturday, September 10 at Tinton Falls; October 1 in Hazlet and October 21 in Upper Freehold Township. He also advised that the County is presently constructing a permanent household hazardous waste facility, which should be operational in 1995 and will be open several days every week when it is completed.

COUNCILMAN WOLFE: Councilman Wolfe moved to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare plans and specifications and receive bids for the purchase of a leaf vacuum machine. It was seconded by Councilman Clark and approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe moved to release the \$1,500 bond to William Pennisi for Block 35, Lot 5.01 located on Seawaneka Avenue per the recommendation of the Borough Engineer. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor and approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe extended his good wishes to Det. Sgt. Rolly on a speedy recovery as well as to Ptl. Steve Tagerty. He commented that recently Steven took on some additional duties when he became a soccer coach and stated that we have several Patrolmen and their wives this year coaching. He stated it is very commendable to have them out there and the children get to see a different side of a police officer and he felt the children were learning to have a lot more respect for the Officers.

Councilman Wolfe reminded Borough residents that the Oceanport Schools open on September 7, 1994 and urged everyone to drive safely and obey the traffic regulations.

MAYOR CAVANAGH: Mayor Cavanagh wanted to announce for the record that the flapper valve we have been waiting months and months for, has been shipped and should be received by the County of Monmouth between August 16 - 18 and hopefully the County will begin installation and he asked the Clerk to send Mr. Stan Walsh a copy of the note stating the valve has been shipped and to also check with the Borough Engineer to find out when the County might begin installing this long awaiting valve.

Mayor Cavanagh also suggested that the Clerk forward a copy of tonight's minutes to Mr. & Mrs. Wallace and felt they would appreciate their son's efforts commented about in the official record and he was aware that Chris has been out there for the past several weeks.

Councilman Clark suggested that if someone could give him some material about where Chris is and exactly what capacity he is filling, he would have an article done for the next Bulletin, to which Mayor Cavanagh stated he would speak with Chris's mother and see what they can come up with for the article.

Councilwoman Filippone commented that Chris also took a test for EMT and passed it with the highest level you can possibly pass at and the interesting point is that he can now be an EMT any place in the nation, with the exception of New Jersey since only New Jersey does not recognize this test.

Mayor Cavanagh reported that the Over 35 Softball League will have an all Oceanport final this year at a time and date to be decided upon and the League has 5-6 towns with a total of 12 teams, and this is the first time this has ever happened.

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

PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mrs. Audrey Hannisch, 94 Algonquin Ave., stated in October she wrote a letter requesting a street light in front of her home, because it is very dark in her area and later received a copy of a letter from Councilman Taylor advising that he was looking into this matter. She advised that she recently observed a representative from JCP & L and spoke to him and she stated that he informed her that the light would not be in front of her driveway, where there is a pole, but the light would be placed near the intersection of Bayview and the light would be installed several poles away from her home, which will still leave her area quite dark.

Mayor Cavanagh advised that Councilman Taylor just gave the Mayor a copy of a letter he just received from JCP & L showing a survey of what they are proposing, but we cannot tell from the pole numbers exactly where they are located. He directed Councilman Taylor to take a look at what they are proposing and he will contact JCP & L and discuss this matter further.

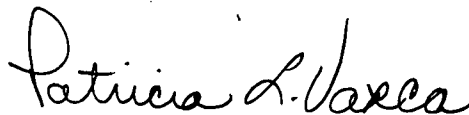
Councilwoman Filippone wanted to commend the Northeast Monmouth County Sewerage Authority on coming in with a lower budget and according to the newspaper, our rates should be reduced some time in the near future. She continued she wanted to particularly commend Ward Coles for all his hard work in this area and Neil Hughes, who is our other representative to the Authority and they deserve a lot of credit for their efforts.

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

Councilman Clark moved to approve the bills as listed on the Voucher Register dated August 18, 1994. It was seconded by Councilwoman Filippone and approved by Council. TOTAL 1993 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$3,835.25. TOTAL 1994 VOUCHERS \$1,483,974.99. TOTAL 1994 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$79,977.48. TOTAL 1994 OPERATING FUND \$1,563,952.47. TOTAL RECREATION TRUST ACCOUNT \$1,681.03. TOTAL FIREWORKS TRUST ACCOUNT \$2,500.00. TOTAL TRUST ACCOUNT \$6,726.27. TOTAL DOG REGISTRY ACCOUNT \$121.80. TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE I ACCOUNT \$900.00. TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE II ACCOUNT \$980.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-SHORE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL \$163,074.71. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-FIRE PREVENTION \$30.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-LIEN REDEMPTION \$4,486.11. (SEE VOUCHER REGISTER)

At 8:33 P.M. Councilwoman Filippone moved to adjourn this meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on September 1, 1994 at 8:00 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman McGee and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA L. VARCA
BOROUGH CLERK