

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
August 17, 2006

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on August 17, 2006 at 8:00 P.M. with Mayor Chaump stating the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilpersons Johnson, Briscione, Kahle, Gallo
Mayor Chaump

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilpersons Ibex and Sharkey

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Borough Clerk, Kimberly A. Jungfer and Borough Attorney, Scott Arnette

INVOCATION: Reverend Mills gave the invocation.

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

Mayor Chaump stated that they would be deviating from the agenda and take the Proclamation and bring it up to the front before the consent agenda. She then asked Michele to come forward. Michele received the gold Congressional award and in order to receive this people have to do the bronze, silver and then gold, which is a fantastic fete because it usually takes almost a year to do one. Mayor Chaump then read the proclamation.

The Borough Clerk stated that there were 11 items on the Consent Agenda and then asked if there were a motion to approve the agenda. There was a motion from Councilman Briscione and was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and unanimously approved by Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of an On Premise 50/50 for the Oceanport PTO to be held October 6, 2006 at the Shrewsbury Sailing and Yacht Club.
2. Resolution authorizing tax refunds due to revaluation.
3. Resolution authorizing Veteran's tax deduction.
4. Resolution authorizing a Senior Citizen's tax deduction.
5. Resolution authorizing the payment of bills.
6. Resolution re-endorsing the housing element and fair share plan.
7. Resolution supporting "You Drink and Drive You Lose 2006 Statewide Crackdown"
8. Resolution inserting certain items of revenue.
9. Resolution awarding the 2006 Road Program, Horseneck Point Road.
10. Approval of the Workshop minutes of July 17, 2006
11. Approval of the Regular minutes of July 20, 2006

CLERK'S REPORT:

The Borough Clerk stated she did not have anything to discuss this evening.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE: Councilwoman Kahle stated she would like to start out with Public Works. As she reported last month there is going to be some changes in the leaf collection this fall season. The new Storm Water Management regulations state that the leaves cannot be left on the street for more than 7 days. In order to comply with this the town will be divided much like it is for garbage collection. The residents will all receive a letter within the next couple of days with a cover letter explaining the process that will be used and then behind that the residents will also be getting a schedule of the different zones in town so it will be zones 1, 2, and 3. Please look at the letter carefully and the zone carefully so you will know when the leaves can be put out. The leaves can only be on the street for 7 days. If they are on for 8 days the Borough is going to get fined by the EPA so we really have to comply because they are trying to keep the storm drains clean of any kind of debris and living by the water we might try to do that also for drainage.

Councilwoman Kahle reported on Buildings and Grounds stating that automatic timed locks are going to be installed at Blackberry Bay Park bathrooms in the next week or so. The doors will automatically open at a preset time and then lock again at dusk. Please try the doors because they will appear locked but they will be open because the doors do not automatically open they just are opened so you really need to open them.

Councilwoman Kahle reported on education stating that both schools in the district are going out for referendum in the fall. Oceanport schools will be asking the voters for \$2,135,500 to update and to provide some maintenance issues. For Wolf Hill School they are going to remove and replace the roofing, replace the clock and program system and at Maple Place School they are going to be adding some new heating ventilation and air conditioning at the cafeteria, stage, library and gym. They are going to be adding new air conditioning and heating at 14 classrooms. Air conditioning and heating at the Administration Office, Nurses office and Faculty Room. They are going to upgrade 2 science labs including new heating and air conditioning. Subdivide one room for special ed. They have a preschool handicap program that they have been bringing into the district to add some revenue to the town. They are also upgrading the automatic temperature controls at 3 rooms including the new addition in 1996. They are replacing the cabinet heaters and hot water heater in the locker rooms and they are installing a building management system for an automatic temperature controls. The reason that each one is separate with the HVAC is because each one will be installed separately. There is going to be separate machines or condensers or units on top of the roof. So if one fails then they can still use the other ones.

Councilwoman Kahle stated that Shore Regional is asking for \$49.8 million to refurbish, repair and renovate their building. They are anticipating that the state will be giving them \$17.8 million or 36% of their project. The details of this project are to update the science classrooms and labs, renovate and reconfigure some classrooms, upgrade the technology of the classrooms and the media center, renovate the gyms, add an addition to the auditorium, which would include more space because currently there are 500 chairs and there are 800+ students in the school, and add a music room to the auditorium, renovate the kitchens, upgrade the athletic facilities and fields, including track resurfacing and lighting, upgrading the heating and ventilation system through out the building, replacing the lighting, ceiling and wood flooring, upgrading the parking lot and drop-off area and lastly, replacing the boiler. This plan came by utilizing a committee of community members and faculty called the Community Facilities Task Force who have been meeting and planning for the passed year and by utilizing a schools facilities modeled by the State. They are having a tour of the building on September 16th and

information on meetings on September 12th and 21st at 7pm. Their architect and bond counsel will be at both meetings. For Shore Regional, at a home assessed at \$580,000, the impact will be \$19.40, not the two hundred and forty something that was in the paper today. That is actually per month or 0.042 cents for \$100. For Oceanport schools they are also applying for a grant they haven't really heard yet from the State to see if they have received any but the tax impact for a home assessed at \$400,000 would be \$5 a month, at \$600,000 \$8 a month, \$800,000 would be \$10 a month and \$1,000,000 would be \$13 a month. If both schools get the grant and Shore Regional said that they did get it but they haven't worked out all of the financial aspects of it so they really haven't done the calculations with the debt service because they have to go out for the bond referendum, both schools and then they add debt service so it reduces actually what your tax impact will be. Oceanport anticipates that they are going to be getting money also from the State and they think that it is going to reduce the amount that we are going to be paying by \$2 or \$3 a month. So she really doesn't know what they impact will be until they work out the figures when they get the money.

Councilwoman Kahle stated she encourages everyone to attend the informational meeting and to ask questions and to see what is going on in both schools. She also asks when people attend the meetings to ask if they are pursuing any kind of shared services. She knows from speaking to the president of the Oceanport Board he has shared that they are looking to share in purchasing with other school districts. They looked into sharing actually with us a couple of times and they are not able to cross over into a municipality but school-to-school they can still share. When the budgets failed in the spring she really thought that they should look into consolidating. There are 4 schools in the district and they also have another office in Sea Bright. There are 4 superintendents and 5 business administrators, which is a lot of money for the taxpayers of the Borough of Oceanport. Shore Regional has room in their building. They were going to rent out some space last year and she doesn't think that worked out. That frees up space for classrooms and would also free up space for a central office if they were to pursue that so she would encourage everyone to really ask those kinds of questions. We all are starting to look into sharing services and consolidations or anything we could do to share services and it just seems like a perfect fit for them to do that.

Councilwoman Kahle reported on finance stating that she and Councilman Ibex met with the CFO last month and discussed the policy procedures on bill signing by the Borough. They also discussed and requested a cash receipt expenditure report along with the report detailing the actual versus budgeted cash flow, which is going to be available at the next meeting. Lastly, they requested that the CFO inquire about shared service possibilities from other CFO's in the county.

Councilwoman Kahle stated she attended the Fire Committee on behalf of the liaisons and the Mayor who were unable to attend. They had a frank discussion regarding the solicitation letters that were sent out by the Hook and Ladder Company with no resolution. They also brought up a concern regarding the knox boxes used for emergency entrance to a building and the Fire Marshall, Phil Payne, is going to be looking into that.

Councilwoman Kahle reported on Environmental Commission stating that they met this past Monday and they have agreed to take on the task of a goose management plan for the Borough. They will be meeting with the head of the Environmental Commission from West Long Branch to formulate a plan going forward. If anybody is interested in assisting with this they should contact any member of the commission that is listed in the directory.

Councilwoman Kahle commented on Water Watch stating a few weeks ago they received a letter from the Monmouth County Board of Health alerting us to the fact that there was an alarming amount of fecal colonies in our waterways. Captain Baldanza, head of the OEM, posted on our website to alert the residents and then she and Richard Gruskos, head of Water Watch, inquired with the Monmouth County Board of Health what really was going on there. After she spoke with the Board of Health, she spoke with Gregg Schussler, the DEP, Mike Gianforte of the Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority, Dennis Dowd of the Racing Commission and found that it was suspected to be caused by Monmouth Park. The Chairman of Water Watch, Richard Gruskos, and she met and toured Monmouth Park and the Monmouth County Board of Health and the DEP. The Monmouth County Board of Health called a meeting with the park and Water Watch and herself were invited to that meeting. With John Duffy, VP of Engineering, Construction and Regulatory Affairs, and Bob Guliano, along with the representative of the Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority. From that meeting Gregg Schussler would be meeting with the engineer for the track who prepares their annual inspection report. Monmouth County Health Department tested and released the testing site match with all of the colonies that they had tested with the results and when they did test some of the results were actually higher than from before 1993 when they put that pump station in. In 1993 they put a pump station in that was meant to take the first flush. It was supposed to reduce the fecal contamination of our waterways and for a while it was working but from what she gathered in the past couple of years, not just this year even though she was just alerted a few weeks ago, the fecal counts have been rising alarmingly from 2,300,000 to 3,400,000 and so on. The last monitor was actually less than .10 inches of rain. The infield pond at the track was 700 colonies. The Turtle Mill Brook at the Oceanport Avenue Bridge was 40,000. Track #3 was 300. The Branchport Creek was 1,700 and the railroad bridge was 46,000, Branchport Creek at Branchport Ave bridge was 25,000, the center of Port-Au-Peck bridge was 200, Seneca Place was 2,000, and the Oceanport Landing Marina was 3,200. The numbers are alarmingly high and the track said that they were very concerned with the high numbers they know that they have been a good neighbor to Oceanport for the last 15 years and they promise that they would do whatever they could to find out the source. They are not admitting that they are the cause of the source but they are meeting with Gregg Schussler and Steve Avadodo to determine if they are the cause of the source and where the source is coming from so they can quickly fix it. This is a serious cause of concern for the residents of Oceanport because any use of the waterways in those areas with high bacteria counts and fecal counts that are in there could cause gastroenteritis, hepatitis, staph infections, nose and throat infections so you really need to be careful. When she was there she saw people on little jet ski's falling into the water and then they were underneath the water when they fall in and that is a serious thing and they really should not be in the water at all.

Councilwoman Kahle stated that everyone might have seen on the news Clean Ocean Action had a press conference today at Branchport Park to raise public awareness and demand action from the DEP. As soon as we learned we posted it on the website to raise awareness also. They have written to the Commissioner, Lisa Jackson, of the DEP and released a press relief that in part says that they have a couple of demands that they want to review all the information, they want to identify the source of the pollution, take action to eliminate the continued release of bacteria and try to understand how this could have happened and adopt State, County and local policies to eliminate similar circumstances in the future. So that is their stance. They are still awaiting a response from them. Councilwoman Kahle stated she is going to be speaking with Gregg Schussler of the DEP after his meeting at the track and they will be on top of the situation and put that information forward. She knows that the Mayor on behalf of the Borough will be writing some letters demanding action. She is hopeful that these agencies working together will get results quickly.

Councilwoman Kahle reported lastly that the Borough along with the help of Captain Baldanza will be posting the results on our website all of the Water Watch testing and any testing that is done by the County. Any kind of information regarding this issue will be up on the website.

COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Councilwoman Johnson reported on Parks and Recreation. She made a motion to appoint James Gallo to the Parks and Recreation Committee, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and was approved by Council with the exception of Councilman Gallo who abstained because James is his brother.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that at the last workshop they were looking into the Green Acres Matching Grant for the Old Wharf Park. They will be reporting on this further at the next months meeting. We will be looking into a total of what we need to finish Old Wharf Park.

Councilwoman Johnson stated the Summers End Festival is coming up, which will be on September 9th. She thanked Mike Minervini who is the Chairperson of the committee. She also thanked Oceanport residents, Parks and Recreation and Monmouth Medical Center who are sponsoring this event. The fireworks display is going to be done by Garden State. This is the same fireworks company that did Red Bank so it should be really nice. Also, this is going to be the 30th year for the Summers End Festival so this should be a great event, which will take place at Blackberry Bay Park and will be from 5-10pm. The rain date is going to be September 10th. She would also like for everyone to come early and enjoy the day because hopefully it will be a nice day with no rain. They will be having a 2 mile run, food vendors, crafters, bands, children's events, displays from our emergency services and other organizations. The information is in the bulletin and hopefully everyone will participate and come on out.

Councilwoman Johnson told Councilwoman Kahle that unfortunately she did not know about the special meeting that the Board of Health was having. She stated that she does have the same copy that Councilwoman Kahle had in reference to the fecal counts and she did see that eventually they did start to come down quite a bit. They were quite high in June and the beginning of July. There is a concern on that. Hopefully they can work with Monmouth Park to remedy this situation.

COUNCILMAN GALLO: Councilman Gallo stated he had some Water Watch news. The Oceanport Water Watch Committee continues to monitor our Borough's water they have about 5 or 6 sites around town. They collect water samples. He had the opportunity this past Saturday to go with Dr. Kaloss and Neil Passane to do this months water samples around town. That is how he learned all of the sites that they have. Also, under the direction of Chairman, Richard Gruskos, they continue to work on the new task of visually inspecting Oceanport's outflow pipes.

Councilman Gallo reported on First Aid stating that they responded to 60 calls this month, which 10 of those calls were motor vehicle and 5 were fire calls. They also accepted a new Cadet, Kenny Carroll, and they look forward to working on his training. Their building continues to move along. The bay floor has been poured and the HVAC and electric and plumbing have all been put in. He would like the residents to know that the First Aid Squad is working on their annual fund drive and if the residents have not donated yet there is still time and they would love to accept any donations. They also had a demonstration on a new device called The Auto Pulse and what it is, is a non-invasive cardiac support pump that moves more

blood more consistently than is possible with the human hands. It is a way of giving CPR automatically. The squad will try this device out for 30 days.

Councilman Gallo stated the senior citizens continue to wait for their return to their senior building, which has seen another delay with JCP&L, which has to do with the meter inside of the building but the Borough is looking into a quick remedy for this problem. The seniors will also be taking a trip to Lake George for 1 week in September and it's just a time for them to get away and have some fun.

COUNCILMAN IBEX: ABSENT

COUNCILMAN SHARKEY: ABSENT

COUNCILMAN BRISCIONE Councilman Briscione called for a 2nd reading and public hearing of an Ordinance to replace the existing Personnel Ordinance and develop a Personnel Policy. He then asked the Clerk to read the affidavit of publication and the proposed ordinance by title only.

Mayor Chaump then opened the meeting up to the public for any comments on this ordinance only.

Laura Hornung, 7 Center Street, asked if it was broken out in everyday language so the residents know what they are going to do with the employees and the volunteers? What are you asking them to do? What are the guidelines?

Councilman Briscione stated that they are not making any changes yet. They are changing the ordinance to allow the Council to make changes from time to time, which would allow for more structure than for technical changes.

Laura Hornung asked if they were making any changes as of now?

Councilman Briscione answered no, not by this Ordinance.

Mayor Chaump asked if there were any other comments on this ordinance. There being further no comments she asked for a motion to close the public hearing, which was moved by Councilwoman Johnson and seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and unanimously approved by the Council members present.

Councilman Briscione moved to adopt the ordinance on the second and final reading and advertise same in accordance with the law, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called the roll:

AYES:	Kahle, Johnson, Gallo, and Briscione
NAYS	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Ibex and Sharkey

Councilman Briscione called for a 2nd reading and public hearing of an Ordinance amending the Economic Development Committee to include the Board of Education President

or Board of Education representative to sit on the committee. He then asked the Clerk to read the affidavit of publication and the proposed ordinance by title only.

Mayor Chaump opened the meeting up to the public for any comments on the ordinance only. There being no comments she asked for a motion to close the public hearing, which was moved by Councilwoman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Briscione and unanimously approved by Council.

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The Clerk called the roll:

AYES:	Kahle, Johnson, Gallo and Briscione
NAYS	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Ibex and Sharkey

Councilman Briscione reported on Planning Board. At the direction of Special Council, Jeff Surenian, the Planning Board passed a Resolution memorializing the adoption of the Borough's Housing Element and Affordable Housing Compliance Plan of November 9, 2005 and adopted a Fair Share Plan to implement the Borough's Affordable Housing Compliance Plan. This was done to comply with COAH regulations relative to the submission of this plan to COAH as a result of the judge's decision and the Builder's Remedy Lawsuit. Also, earlier this week the bidding concluded on the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority's approved project known as Oceanport Village Center. The information on the treasury website indicated that this project sold for \$2,650,000.

Councilman Briscione stated that he did not receive a police report for the month of July yet so he will report on that next month. A recent article reporting crime statistics indicated an increase in reported crime in Oceanport. The Chief has looked into the statistics and the only increase has been in larceny. The addition of the new patrolman this year and more patrol attention should have a positive affect on the statistics in this category. Additionally, while other shore towns get a seasonal adjustment to their crime statistics for population increases, Oceanport does not get that same treatment for our seasonal population increases with regard to people on the back stretch of Monmouth Park and spectators at Monmouth Park.

Councilman Briscione stated in regards to dispatch he distributed to Council financial information relative to the cost of police dispatch services provided both locally and an estimate of a potential cost of those services if provided by the County. He asked Councilman Ibex, as head of finance, to review the figures for accuracy Council will review the information and ultimately decide if cost savings should be the sole criteria utilized in the decision making process.

Councilman Briscione reported on Cable and Technology. As part of the cable franchise renewal Comcast is offering a technical grant depending on the length of the contract. Additionally, Comcast will provide one free non-network computer connection to each school and to the library. At the Workshop on Monday, Council agreed to a 15-year term and a technical grant of \$18,000. This agreement is non-exclusive.

Councilman Briscione stated that the Economic Development Committee continues to meet monthly relative to the closure and redevelopment of Fort Monmouth. The committee will look to make recommendations to Council, Planning Board, and the Local Redevelopment Authority regarding future development at Fort Monmouth.

MAYOR CHAUMP: Mayor Chaump stated that there was a meeting of the Fort Monmouth FMERPA where they adopted the by-laws and they did a first year tentative budget and they decided to meet the third Wednesday of every month, except for this month because they will be having another meeting on August 30th. They decided to put out an outreach notice, which is due on September 9th. They requested the DOD also for funds. To give an update, there were 17 applicants for the Executive Director position and they will be discussing that at their next meeting and they have to weed through the 17 applicants.

Mayor Chaump reported on the parks and recreation facilities meeting, which took place on August 3rd and included the Recreation Director and the Chair of Parks and Recreation and herself. The Borough Clerk was unable to attend due to a family emergency so the suggestion was to have a Fort Monmouth Regional Recreation Commission, which would take in the bowling alley, the swimming pool, the fitness center, the football field and the parade ground that was in the back. Its just in the talking stage when they had their meeting on August 9th, which was the Fort Monmouth Open Space Recreation Resources meeting, which included the Mayors of the 3 towns, people from recreation from the 3 towns and Freeholder, Lillian Berry, who also discussed that possibility as well. So the 3 towns are looking in to that and they could possibly bring in 2 other towns to form this commission. This is all under the Public Benefit Conveyance. There was also a Lisa LaForest who is from the National Parks Service who gave them guidance under the Federal Parks System as far as the parks and facilities that are there. She gave them a packet on how to apply a letter of intent and the use fees. She said under the Public Benefit Conveyance it is possible under the Parks and Recreation facilities we could get 100% discount and they also needed to get the federal Legislators on board with this and the County is also going to help them under Faith Hann and the county to put all of the packet together to go forward to the Public Benefit Conveyance.

Mayor Chaump met with Senator Menendez and Congressman Pallone on Saturday, July 22, 2006. She was contacted in the morning by Senator Menendez to sit down and speak with him and the other 2 Mayors, Mayor Tarantola could not make it a 5pm he could only make it at 4pm and Mayor Peter McCleary was away on vacation for 2 weeks. However, she was able to attend and it is a suggestion that also came from the National Parks System to assist the 3 towns and he was going to submit a letter to the Department Of Defense in Washington DC to try to stop the clock and slow the process down because of the late start that they had because of the authority and the bill.

Mayor Chaump reported that under OEM, Captain Baldanza has been very helpful in purchasing surplus vehicles and equipment from the Federal government. We have purchased equipment for Public Works, Fire, Police, OEM and in addition to vehicles we have obtained filing cabinets, ballistic helmets, a diesel and gas generator, face shields for the helmets, light sets and a soccer ball shooter. The total cost to the Borough was one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars. Under the Federal government pricing this would have been two hundred eighteen thousand seven hundred and thirty four dollars equaling, so there was a savings of two hundred seventeen thousand three hundred and four dollars and she thanked Captain Baldanza for being on top of this and getting the equipment. The Mayor added that if anyone

sees any trucks in the back with the camouflage those are the surplus vehicles that have been purchased.

Mayor Chaump stated that with regard to the Board of Education as was reported by Councilwoman Kahle with regard to the referendum, she spoke with the Mayor of Sea Bright and she was surprised to read the article in the paper because we did not have any documentation and the Mayors are looking for a break down of what exactly the cost is for each of these items.

Mayor Chaump reported that based on discussion with our Special Counsel, the developer has appealed the court decision on the Builder's Remedy lawsuit. We are currently in the COAH process and are committed to our affordable housing plan, which we believe is reasonable and we will not be swayed by the strong arm intimidation tactics by the developer.

Mayor Chaump stated that with regard to Blackberry Bay Park, Councilman Briscione was able to get someone from Rutgers, which she has the report and will be giving it to Parks and Recreation. Brad Park from the Sports Turf Education and Research Coordinator from Rutgers University has provided a report on Blackberry Bay Park and according to his findings, the vast majority of the park showed good turf grass cover, however there were areas of thin cover that were in sections of the field that were poorly drained. Soil samples were taken and the Borough was generally sandy loam and the PH was optimal for cool season turf grass. Mr. Park has provided recommendations in irrigation management, inconsistency in surface contour, baseball skin management, traffic management, mowing management and PH management, regressing/overseeding and renovation methods. She thanked both Mr. Park for his assistance and Councilman Briscione for his report. The Mayor added that we have now received assistance and recommendations from Monmouth University for baseball use, Rutgers for grass fields and maintenance of the park. We will incorporate these recommendations into our maintenance program.

Mayor Chaump reminded everyone that there was much discussion on field maintenance and we said that we would be considering that and looking at our maintenance program in order to keep up the fields which we will be doing.

Mayor Chaump stated she was concerned with the Monmouth County Board of Health sampling results of Monmouth Park that Councilwoman Kahle spoke about. She stated she spent her time on the phone contacting Michael Gianforte because she wanted to know what was the story about the flushing and received a fax from him. So everyone can understand what is going on over there, she wanted to make sure because there was talk that it was a sewerage spill which it was not and so the sewerage authority has assured the Borough that it is not on their end and right now it looks like it is coming from Monmouth Park. She explained the storm sewer process in detail. Having that information she spoke to Ann Marie Fournier who is the program coordinator for water pollution at the Monmouth County Board of Health. She said that right now it is speculation on what the problem is and she also wanted to remind everyone that the Monmouth County Board of Health is a shared service that Oceanport has because we do not have our own Board of Health. The County has posted signs over there by the creek and they have also contacted the DEP and she also spoke to Bob Guiliano at the NJSEA and this afternoon they had a meeting with DEP and their consultant. They will rectify all problems noted in the July 25, 2006 letter from the County and the DEP gives the permit, which is the best management practices, which the DEP enforces. Right now this is in the hands of the DEP and the Sports Authority but they will contact and make the correct actions to solve this problem. It is unfortunate that we have to have this problem but it needs to be

corrected and she will also be writing letters to Dennis Dowd and the NJSEA to make sure that this is being followed up on and then she will get back to the public when this issue is rectified. Right now the Monmouth County Board of Health is not going to be taking any more samples until this problem is solved. Also, the Water Watch goes over to the Sewerage Authority with the samples that they collect.

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

Ed Ryan, 24 Willow Court, asked Councilman Briscione for every 500 calls how much does the police dispatcher get paid?

Councilman Briscione answered about \$43,000.

Ed Ryan stated without the dispatchers this going to add up along with changing all of the radios and the town would be unprotected at night. Residents would have nobody here without the police dispatchers because Borough Hall would be closed because the police on duty would be out patrolling. They should keep somebody at the Borough Hall. This should be considered when voting.

Ed Ryan then stated last week there was a fire at Wolf Hill School and the Fire Department was dispatched to Maple Place School, which are on 2 different sides of town. Again, the dispatchers do a great job and they answer a lot of phone calls.

Councilman Briscione stated all he was asked to do was to look at the corresponding figures for each and he did that and then he looked into some of the things that Mr. Ryan said. Also, he talked to some of the people. There was a recent article in the newspaper about Asbury Park about them switching over taking their 911 calls from the County. He spoke with the detective that headed that and he asked him what was involved in the process and what were his major concerns. Basically, the detective said that they tracked calls from the County, and there was a 3-minute delay from the time that they would get the call and the time that the County would dispatch. He thought that was unacceptable and they got grant money and they brought it in house. That is just one town.

Ed Ryan stated that it's not about the money it is about saving lives and people would be surprised about how many people come into the Borough Hall at night for help.

Councilman Briscione stated he is not advocating this he is just getting the facts.

Ed Ryan stated in the last 4-6 years this Council has downgraded, in his opinion, the volunteer Fire Department and First Aid Squad. Nothing against the Police Department because everyone needs training but they are not paid to go and get training. They volunteer their time. A new fireman has to go to 160 2-hour classes and that is just to get onto a fire truck. Plus, you have to take courses all year around. The First Aid Squad has to have 120 hours to get going and again all year. The volunteers don't get paid for that. This Council has downgraded the volunteers in this town. Don't cut the budget. We have used our own money our own time when they could be home with their families. We get thanked and that is it. The volunteer organizations need to be getting more money instead of a thank you so that we can keep helping save lives!

Richard Barnes, 95 Paddock Court, now that Blackberry Bay is back and running he was wondering if the Council can look into getting grant money to build a gazebo for summer concerts or bands like other towns have. The other thing would be maybe on summer nights maybe the town could show movies like other towns do too now that we have this beautiful park. The third thing concerns Fort Monmouth. He assumes the Cell tower at the Fort is going to be on Oceanport property and wanted to know if that is going to be a revenue for Oceanport?

Councilman Briscione stated that he is working with the attorney and trying to see what the laws are. With regard to the gazebo, they are looking into the parade grounds at Fort Monmouth because they thought that would be a good place to have festivals and concerts and the County would support that and they are looking into that.

Sal Vecchione, Woodbine Way, stated his concerns about the shared services in regards to getting rid of the dispatchers. The county is too slow and they gave out the wrong address.

Mayor Chaump stated that the only department involved with 911 is the Fire Department. The First Aid is 222-6300 and the Police Department is 222-6300.

Sal Vecchione stated that Monmouth Park Race Track is under poor order to keep them from polluting our water and it's not just about trying to implement a plan. There was a court order from the Monmouth County Health Department to clean it up. They need to get their act together. They are not supposed to pollute that water. It is a poor part on the DEP. In the future they should consider opening those beds for clamming. They can't do it now because of the fecal coliform, which are raw urine and raw feces and raw horse manure. There is no excuse for that.

Sal Vecchione stated that \$50 million dollars for Shore Regional is a little ridiculous. They want \$1 million dollars for the football field and it was just redone less than 10 years ago. It's a beautiful field. The library was out for a whole year so that they could remodel it. It is insane! They refuse to open up the meetings to the public and they operate in secret and we know nothing what is going on.

Councilwoman Kahle stated that she spoke with Lenny Schnapauff and he was on vacation and said that he would be getting back this week to discuss this so she could get more information.

Ron Sickler, 45 Morris Place, stated he read in two different newspapers that the tax increase for the Shore Regional project would be \$242 a month so someone on Council should really have that mistake rectified. He wants the Council to get involved and find out what exactly Shore Regional wants to do so that the residents can understand what is going on. He thinks that \$50 million is an outrageous amount of money. They want to put AstroTurf on the football field, which he does not find necessary. Some residents in town have taken a big hit with taxes and he does not want them getting any higher for irrelevant items.

Ron Sickler then stated his concerns about the Monmouth Park Racetrack and the fecal content in the water. It makes little to no sense to have the Sewerage Authority to take 120,000 gallons a day from a facility that size. He then gave his recommendations on how to handle the situation. Have the DEP dredge these areas out to provide a better area of flow.

Mayor Chaump stated she received a letter from the Mayor of Sea Bright, which she sent to WLB and Monmouth Beach. They are going to sit down and discuss a breakdown where exactly the money will be going for Shore Regional.

There being no other comments Mayor Chaump stated Council has to go into executive session and then the Clerk read the Resolution, which was moved by Councilman Briscione and seconded by Councilwoman Johnson.

Bill List: Capital Trust Total \$33,192.21. Escrow Trust Total \$6,854.25, Fireworks Trust Total \$9,000.00, Open Space Trust Total \$235.00. Recreation Trust Total \$3,376.09 2005 Vouchers Paid \$ \$601,777.89. 2005 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$996.95. TOTAL 2005 Vouchers \$602,774.84. 2006 Vouchers Paid \$10,487,131.0. 2006 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$1,060,168.48, 2006 Total Vouchers \$11,547,299.48

At 9:18 p.m. the Council returned from Executive Session and Councilwoman Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Councilman Kahle and unanimously approved by Council

Respectfully submitted,

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