

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
July 19, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on July 19, 2007 at 8:00 P.M. with Mayor Chaump stating the meeting had been properly advertised in accordance with the law.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilpersons Ibex and Sharkey

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

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

The Borough Clerk asked that the record reflect that Councilman Ibex is away on business and called to state he would not be able to attend and that Councilman Gallo advised the Clerk that Councilman Sharkey would not be able to attend.

Mayor Chaump stated there were some items she wanted to go over because of changes in resolutions since the last meeting on Monday. One of them is Item #7. She had proposed to make it a 7:00 pm Work Shop and an 8 pm Public, but it seems there were some concerns by Council members. So the resolution is going to be for the first Thursday with a public at 7:00 pm and the Work Shop at 8:00 pm and the third Thursday the reverse to give more time for the Work Shop. There are some changes to another resolution. Mr. Arnette stated that Item #12, the Special Meeting Minutes, will be removed because there isn't a quorum to vote on that because the members here now were not here then and some of the members who were there then are not here now, so this item will have to be carried to the next meeting.

The Borough Clerk stated there were 16 items on the Consent Agenda with a last minute addition of Item #9 for the Resolution authorizing the payment of bills. Mr. Arnette stated that Item #12, which is actually item #13 on the amended Agenda, be removed, the minutes for May 21, 2007. Councilman Johnson asked that the minutes for June 21, 2007 be removed, Item # 11. Councilwoman Kahle asked that the minutes for June 25, 2007 be removed, Item #15 and Item #7.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Resolution authorizing the Engineer to go out to bid of r the 2007 Road Program. **R-07-80**
2. Resolution for an insertion of an item of revenue: Click it or Ticket. **R-07-81**
3. Resolution for an insertion of an item of revenue: Tourism Grant **R-07-82**
4. Audit resolution and group affidavit. **R-07-83**
5. Resolution authorizing the Borough to join I-Boat DMMP **R-07-84**
6. Resolution authorizing release of the final payment on the Tennis Court project. **R-07-85**
7. Resolution changing the meeting schedule of the Mayor and Council

8. Resolution authorizing an agreement with Allen Consulting for certain Breeders' Cup Events **R-07-86**
9. Resolution authorizing the Payment of Bills **R-07-87**
10. Minutes: Regular meeting May 24, 2007
11. Minutes: Regular meeting June 21, 2007
12. Minutes: Special meeting May 10, 2007
13. Minutes: Special meeting May 21, 2007
14. Minutes: Special meeting June 7, 2007,
15. Minutes: Special meeting June 25, 2007
16. Minutes: Workshop meeting June 7, 2007

Councilman Johnson moved to approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by the Council members present.

The Clerk asked for a motion on Item #7. Councilman Briscione moved to approve item #7 with no second therefore the motion failed.

Mayor Chaump stated that they will be keeping the same meeting schedule of the Mayor and Council as no one wants to be an effective and responsive Council.

The Clerk asked for a motion on Item #11. Councilman Johnson moved to approve item #11, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo with Councilwoman Kahle and Councilman Briscione abstaining, the item was carried to the next meeting.

The Clerk asked for a motion on Item #13. As there was no quorum, the item was carried to the next meeting.

The Clerk asked for a motion on Item #15. As there was no quorum, the item was carried to the next meeting.

CLERK'S REPORT:

The Borough Clerk stated she had the police report for June 2007, which has been distributed and will be posted tomorrow morning.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE:

Councilwoman Kahle reported on the Police Department. The monthly report says that they had a total of 69 motor vehicle summonses issued. Total arrests were 5. They also had a total of 202 motor vehicle stops. Councilwoman Kahle also recognized Michael Fagliarone for successfully completing Counterfeit Identification Training Program at the Monmouth County Police Academy. Michael Kelly has successfully completed the LETA – Law Enforcement Thermographers Association instruction and is certified as a First Responder. Michael Kelly has also completed the Tag Site S1 Thermal Imaging Training Course in New Orleans and has been certified as a Certified Technician for the National Child Passenger Safety Program for child seats. Congratulations to Mr. Kelly.

Councilwoman Kahle then welcomed Rob Chenoweth as a Special Officer last week. He will be covering shifts as we currently have 3 officers out on injury leave. He has also been working on Code Enforcement issues around town and has already made quite an impact. Councilwoman Kahle stated that this is something she has been working on for a couple years and is pleased to see it finally come together as through the years more residents have had concerns about branches in the street, garbage, unmowed grass and general aesthetic and

safety issues in their neighborhoods. Up until now there has been no follow up on these issues. Last year she tried to implement the Public Works personnel to be the Code Enforcement but this did not work out as they are already over stressed and understaffed. In the future she hopes to expand this issue by adding a link to the website where you can email your concerns and they will be followed up. This would free up the front office and give greater accessibility to the residents.

Councilwoman Kahle continued that the Police Department also wanted her to report that they will be upgrading the look of their police cars with a new logo and a new paint job. They are in receipt of two new cars this year and felt it would be a good time to change. This will be funded through their own budget.

Councilwoman Kahle reported that the Fire Department is busy planning for the Haskell and the Breeder's Cup and will be sponsoring a coin toss at the Haskell and asked everyone to support them when they see them at Monmouth Park. She continued stating that the Fire Department is also purchased a trailer that they will use for fire education at the school. They were able to purchase the fairly new trailer worth about \$18,000.00 for \$200.00 due to the efforts of OEM Director, Captain Baldanza and wish to publicly thank him for his efforts.

Councilwoman Kahle stated the total calls for the month of June for the Fire Department were 12 with average man-hours of 122 and the average number of men responding was 10.

Councilwoman Kahle reported that the First Aid is planning a circus fundraiser on September 1st, 2nd and 3rd at Gatta Park. There will be two shows on the 1st and 2nd and three shows on the 3rd. She asked that everyone please plan on attending with their families to show their support of the First Aid.

Councilwoman Kahle said that she attended a joint meeting of the Water Watch, Environmental Commission and Board of Health on July 11th with a power point presentation given by the Monmouth County Department of Health. Councilman Sharkey, Freeholder Clifton and DEP Supervisors were also in attendance. This was a presentation that was given a few months ago in Monmouth Beach to their Environmental Commission, Clean Ocean Action, the Sewerage Authority and various other dignitaries, which unfortunately Oceanport was not invited to. Councilwoman Kahle stated she saw it in the Monmouth County Board of Health minutes and was able to have them present it in Oceanport. It was a very comprehensive report of the Track and the group was able to get their concerns out there to the Board of Health and the DEP. The Track was fined \$35,000.00 for the June 4th sampling results in which it was determined that the fecal matter from the Track went right into our waterways without benefit of first flush. As a result of this debacle, Assemblywoman Jennifer Beck has also called a meeting with Track officials for August 3rd and the DEP will be having a high level technical meeting on July 31st. So far we have been invited to the August 3rd and are still working on being invited to the July 31st meeting.

Councilwoman Kahle continued that the water quality is a great concern to all of us, on many levels, from health and safety for our residents to our waterfront values of our homeowners. We have to demand immediate remediation and to that end Water Watch has asked to send a letter to the DEP and EPA to voice our concerns, which the Mayor has done. We need to be assured that this will not happen again and time is of the up most importance as the Haskell and the Breeders Cup are coming to Monmouth Park with all the extra activities and people they will bring. She hopes to have this resolved quickly.

Councilwoman Kahle reported that at the workshop meeting she asked to have two ordinances to be introduced and thanked the Council for allowing this. The Property Maintenance Ordinance will be replacing the current ordinance of two pages. If we are serious

about cleaning up the town and continuing the efforts of our special Code Enforcement Officer we need a comprehensive ordinance to back him up. This ordinance has been worked on by herself, the Chairman of Ordinances, Councilman Johnson, and reviewed by the Borough Clerk, the Building Department, the Borough Attorney and the CFO with revisions made and thanked them for their time.

The tax map revision fee ordinance, which will be introduced next month has also been worked on by herself, Councilman Johnson and Engineer, Bill White. They just received our Tax Map updated and this would have the developer's pay to have it updated instead of the taxpayers. It was too late for Jockey Club Estates. It had to be paid with taxpayer monies. Going forward, they hope to recoup any fees needed to update the tax maps.

Councilwoman Kahle then reported that she has asked that since the Planning Board applications are being looked at that all members of an LLC, by request of the Planning Board attorney, Pat Menna, be disclosed upon application and that we also add to the disclosure application, all political contributions and relationships which they will be looking at.

Councilwoman Kahle reported that the Long Branch Building Department will be looking into the Oceanport Building Department to see if any services can be shared in order to save taxpayers money. They are also looking into this with Long Branch as their Department is much larger, they are hopeful that some savings will be realized without effecting the quality of service.

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON:

Councilman Johnson stated he had three 2nd readings for Ordinances. He called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of the vital statistics ordinance and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only.

Mayor Chaump then opened the meeting to the public for anyone who wished to be heard. As no one from the public wished to be heard, a motion was made by Councilman Johnson to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council.

Councilman Johnson then made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on second and final reading and advertise same in accordance with the law, which was seconded by Councilman Briscione.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of the Cable Franchise Agreement Ordinance and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title and date of publication.

Mayor Chaump then opened the meeting to the public for anyone who wished to be heard. Mr. Arnette stated that he would like to bring to the attention of the Council a typographical error on Page 5 of the Ordinance. As no one from the public wished to be heard, a motion was made by Councilman Johnson to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council.

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The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of the Shore Regional with the Monmouth County Improvement Authority ordinance authorizing the guarantee by the Borough of Oceanport and then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only.

Mayor Chaump then opened the meeting to the public for anyone who wished to be heard. As no one from the public wished to be heard, a motion was made by Councilman Johnson to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and approved by Council.

Councilman Johnson then made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on second and final reading and advertise same in accordance with the law, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of the Property Maintenance Ordinance. Councilman Briscione opened a discussion concerning procedure for addressing questions about the proposed ordinance. He asked if there had been any changes to the Ordinance since it was first reviewed at the Work Shop meeting on Monday. Councilman Johnson responded that the Fee structure had been changed. Councilwoman Kahle said that the Building Department was called. Councilman Briscione stated he also called the Building Department for their comments but no one had called him back. Councilwoman Kahle stated she spoke with Wes Whalen and had emailed him a copy. Mr. Whalen had a couple of word changes, which were emailed over to the Attorney but there were no other substantive changes. Councilman Briscione stated Councilman Ibex emailed a lengthy list of questions and asked if anyone had responded to them. Councilwoman Kahle stated she looked at them but did not respond as she thought he would bring them to the meeting and although she did not have the list with her she thought most of the items had been addressed. Councilman Briscione stated that though he is all for a Property Maintenance ordinance, he's concerned that they may be rushing this ordinance through and he has some questions and concerns as to how it would be enforced. Councilman Briscione read item #5C, #6F and #7C of the proposed ordinance and asked how would these items be enforced. He's concerned that taking boilerplate language from another town and trying to apply it to our own can cause some problems. He stated that he believes more time needs to be spent on it and that there may be issues that haven't been foreseen. Councilwoman Kahle responded that after it is introduced they could discuss these things but she felt that for instance item F was appropriate as there was a house with 3' feet of weeds in the gutter. Mayor Chaump asked if the Police Department had reviewed the proposed

ordinance. Councilwoman Kahle responded that the Police Department had looked at it and stated without comment that it looked fine.

Councilwoman Kahle called for the introduction of the Property Maintenance Ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Johnson.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Mayor Chaump stated we do have a Lot Maintenance ordinance now. Councilwoman Kahle responded that there is a 2 page Lot Maintenance ordinance which is very general and the concern is that it would not be sufficient to back up our Code Enforcement Officer when he issues a summons and that they've been working on this ordinance for two years and would like to get something started and then discuss it further at the Work Shop meeting. Councilman Briscione asked if this has been worked on for 2 years and its just being boiler plated and if its been worked on for 2 years wouldn't they have their own. Councilman Briscione then asked if this would be replacing Chapter 40 the Housing Code or is it in addition to Chapter 40 of the Housing Code. Councilwoman Kahle responded that it would be replacing the current Property Maintenance code that there is now but she wouldn't know that.

Councilman Johnson made a motion to hold the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at the Council meeting of August 16, 2007 and to advertise same in accordance with the law and was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

Councilman Johnson called for the introduction of an Amendment to the Dogs and Other Animals Ordinance then asked the Clerk to read the proposed Ordinance by title only, after which he moved to approve the Ordinance upon first reading, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called roll:

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

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The Clerk called roll:

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

COUNCILMAN GALLO: Councilman Gallo reported on the progress of the Recreation Bench Program. Twenty-two benches have been ordered to date and 11 have been put together and installed. If anyone would like to see the benches there are 9 of them at Blackberry Bay Park. The others have arrived and will be put together shortly. He reminded everyone that if they wished to donate to the Summer's End Fire Works Fund, now would be the time to do that. Recreation has also formed a Committee to look at formulating policy on the use of fields.

COUNCILMAN IBEX: Absent

COUNCILMAN SHARKEY: Absent

COUNCILMAN BRISCIONE: Councilman Briscione reported that the Planning Board denied the application for a 5-unit townhouse development project on the site of the former Shell station on July 11, 2007. The site has approvals in place for continued use as a gas station. He reported that Jockey Club Estates has requested a minor adjustment to the site plan relative to interior road lighting and signage. The Borough Engineer is reviewing that request but has informed that the lighting on interior streets was probably excessive and would likely create spillage into the units, however, he has not provided his official recommendation yet.

Councilman Briscione stated that Public Works reported a sinkhole on Pemberton Avenue caused by a collapse of a drainpipe. They are in the process of repairing the pipe and the road, which was overseen by Engineer Bill White and should be completed by next week. Public Works also removed the old benches from Charles Park and delivered the new benches to Blackberry and Sommers Parks. In addition to the grass cutting, the islands have been removed from the parking areas at Blackberry Bay.

Councilman Briscione then reported on the events for Monmouth Park. Events scheduled for the Breeder's Cup Fan Fest, a series of community events leading up to the Breeder's Cup in October, has been set. There will be a sailing regatta held at the Shrewsbury Sailing & Yacht Club on September 29th. On October 14th, Colts Neck Polo Club will be holding a match at Oceanport's Gatta Park. On October 19, 20 and 21st there will a Street Fair in the racetrack parking lot with amusements, vendors, concept of Enjoy, Taste of New Jersey with participation of area restaurants and a Farmer's Market highlighting New Jersey produce in the fall. Also, on October 20th, there will be a 5K Road Race coordinated by the Jersey Shore Roadrunners Club. The runners will finish the race on the racetrack where one week later horse racing's Division Championships will be decided. The public is invited to all of these events. The week of the Breeder's Cup there will be a Breeder's Cup Gala held at Wilson Hall along with a concert by Frankie Valli at Pollak Auditorium. These functions will require a ticket to attend.

Councilman Briscione reported that the Economic Development Committee is awaiting revisions in the draft vision plan for the redevelopment of Fort Monmouth. Once these are reviewed by the Economic Development Committee, the final charrette will be scheduled and the Vision Plan for Fort Monmouth will be presented. Fort Monmouth Recreation, the County through the Park System and in conjunction with Oceanport, Eatontown and Tinton Falls, has filed a formal Federal Lands Park Program Application on July 17th. That went to the National

Park Service for public benefit conveyance of approximately 351 acres and various buildings including the parade grounds, which is in Oceanport, the marina, the fitness center in Lane Hall which is a community type center building with restaurants. He thanked Faith Hahn at the Monmouth County Parks System for efforts in coordinating this application between the County and the three towns and for preparing the application.

MAYOR CHAUMP: Mayor Chaump reported that Linda Gately from Parks and Recreation has resigned after 11 years of service. Gary Edwards has resigned from the Economic Development Committee and she will be posting that vacancy on the board. There are 3 people who have volunteered for the Water Watch Committee. Dr. Kaloss sent their names. They are Kevin McDermott, Jennifer McDermott and Barton Frenchman. Councilwoman Kahle made a motion to appoint Kevin McDermott, Jennifer McDermott and Barton Frenchman to the Water Watch Committee, which was seconded by Councilman Johnson and approved by the Council members present. Mayor Chaump stated she sent a letter to Commissioner Lisa Jackson with copies to Senator Karcher, Assemblywoman Beck, Assemblyman Panter and Water Watch Chairperson Rich Gruskos. The letter states 4 concerns raised by Water Watch, the Environmental Commission, the Board of Health and the Monmouth County Board of Health that need to be addressed by the NJDEP and that we need to find a resolution to correct the pollution. The water quality at Branchport Creek is unacceptable to everyone, everyone on Council and also to our Legislators.

Mayor Chaump stated as of July 1st there is now a Class II Officer that is our code enforcement officer. This officer will be enforcing our Lot Maintenance Ordinance, which the Borough has now that will be replaced with the ordinance that was introduced tonight after the second reading in August.

Mayor Chaump reported that she received a letter from the Two River Water Reclamation Authority on 6/25 stating that on 6/19 the Authority adopted and implemented a Sewer Connection Ban. There are exceptions being placed on this. One is that any unit that has 350 gallons per day or less will be permitted and any approval in front of the Planning Board before the ban can hook up. This means that Jockey Club Estates can go ahead with their hook ups.

Mayor Chaump then reported that in June, she attended the Change of Command and Retirement Luncheon for Colonel Sullivan. The new Garrison Commander is Colonel Stephen Christian. In July she attended the Change of Charter for Major General Mazzucchi. Brigadier General Nickolas Justice will be the Program Executive Officer for the Command Control and Communications Tactical and Brigadier General Dennis L. Via will be head of the US Army Communications – Electronic Life Cycle Management Command. On Monday, July 9th she was asked to attend a meeting with Senator Menendez, Congressmen Holt and Pallone and the Fort Monmouth Officials. It was a command overview and BRAC briefing. As may have been read in the newspapers, the costs for BRAC and Non-BRAC have escalated. Our legislators will and have been actively questioning the process which they have said is flawed.

Mayor Chaump stated that on 6/26 there was a Public Safety Meeting. Officer Van Brunt attended the JIF Safety meeting and reported on safety issues. Another safety issue discussed was EMS vehicles using the Borough's parking lot as a cut through during the day and they were asked not to do that.

Mayor Chaump reported that FMERPA had a meeting on 7/18. It was announced that Colonel Sullivan received the ADC 2007 Military Leadership Award. At the ADC conference Rick Harrison, Deputy Executive Director will give a presentation on Historical Preservation. The

Notice of Intent's on the Public Benefit Conveyance are on going. The EDAW team is surveying the buildings for potential reuse. Their Grant expired on 6/30 and they have asked for a Grant Modification, which the OEA reviewed and approved. They hired an Administrative Assistant Jeanne Gannon and a Project Manager Diane Canterbury.

Mayor Chaump reminded everyone that the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders will hold their meeting here in Oceanport on July 26 at 5pm.

BILL LIST: Capital Trust \$93,800.00. Escrow Trust \$18,740.98. Fireworks Trust \$5,276.74. Open Space \$235.00. Recreation Trust: \$783.97. 2005 Vouchers Paid \$7,800.00. 2006 Voucher Paid \$224,673.48. 2006 Vouchers Paid This Meeting \$60,760.58. Total 2006 \$285,434.06 2007 Vouchers Paid \$7,937,170.81. 2007 Vouchers Paid This Meeting \$1,739,521.39. Total 2007 \$9,676,692.20

PUBLIC:

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

Gary La Bruno, Wyandotte Avenue, asked Councilwoman Kahle about the Property Maintenance Ordinance written by Long Branch. Councilwoman Kahle stated it was from West Long Branch. Mr. La Bruno asked if any other towns were looked at that may be more in line with Oceanport. Councilwoman Kahle responded that she thought West Long Branch was pretty much in line with Oceanport. Mr. La Bruno stated that we don't have Route 36 and a large commercial corridor. Councilwoman Kahle responded that we have a little commercial corridor. Mr. La Bruno asked why the three Council members voted against the change in the Council's schedule for the meetings seeing as it is inconvenient to the public and it would cut it down to 2 nights a week.

Ron Sickler, Morris Place, asked what the money being asked for, \$2,000, for the dredging project is for. Mayor Chaump responded it is only for a study to determine what has to be dredged, how deep it will be dredged and then going to the US Army Corps of Engineers to get the project done. There will be a fee for that also. Mr. Sickler asked if the project was definitely on line to be done. Mayor Chaump responded that the *study* is on line to be done, however, Council passed a resolution. Mayor Chaump stated she had spoken with Mayor Castleman and they requested our resolution, which they will be passing the same resolution. The objective is to get 13 municipalities on board and the I-Boat, which is part of the NJ Department of Transportation, to get this moving forward with dredging. They are going to be addressing the Two Rivers of Mayor Council meeting in September to hopefully get some more on board. Mr. Sickler asked if the project goes forward is the town going to have further financial liability to have this happen. Mayor Chaump responded that they don't know at this point as it is just a study right now to see how much will be dredged and where to be dredged and then they will see what the fee is. Mr. Sickler then asked about the proposed condominium project at the marina. Rumors are terrible things and when one hears them the only thing to find out is to go to the source and ask. You people are the source. He heard a rumor that at least one person on the Council has been in discussion of the possibility of settling this prior to the appeal that is currently going on. Is anybody on this Council thinking in that direction at this point in time? Mr. Arnette responded that the matter is in litigation and that an appeal is pending and that the policy of the government at his direction is not to comment on ongoing litigation and even commenting about a contemplation of resolving this matter somehow could in fact affect his client, the Borough's position in that litigation. What he was able to tell Mr. Sickler was that the appeal continues. Councilman Briscione asked if people are negotiating outside the Council.

Mr. Arnette responded that he was not aware if someone is going around behind the authority's back to talk to someone. Mayor Chaump stated that there is not a single Councilperson that can go out and negotiate anything. It has to be a decision of Council. Mr. Sickler stated that that is why he came to Council with the rumor that he heard and that the person involved has a time contingency on his contract and the further along this goes to appeal the better chance that Oceanport has to win this.

Toni Sverapa, Cayuga Avenue, spoke as Co-Chair of the Bench Program in town. It is 24 benches that were ordered. There was one in stock that Recreation has purchased in prior years. Members of the Recreation Committee 2 weeks ago did put together the 10 benches, today installed 11 benches and would like to invite any and all members that would like to join them next Thursday to put together the next 14, which were just received yesterday, at 7 pm at the Hook and Ladder. That will be 25 benches total in town.

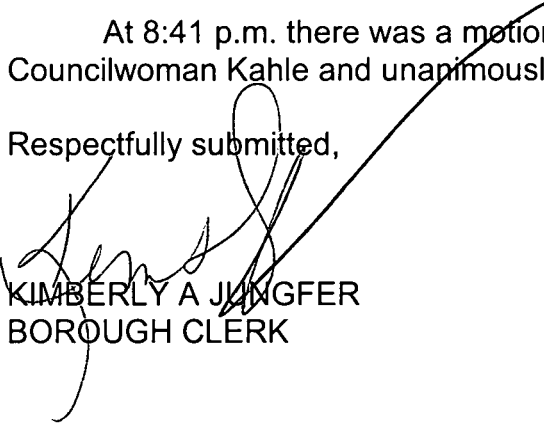
Alan Johnson, 30 Belmar Avenue, stated that for a couple years Councilwoman Kahle has been in charge of Water Watch and she's been promising to do some studies for our other waterways, Oceanport Creek, Blackberry Bay. He attended the Monmouth County Board of Health meeting the other night and if one takes Monmouth Park Racetrack out of the picture, little Johnny still can't swim in Branchport Creek. So there are other contributors that bring contaminants into the Creek and he wishes that Councilwoman Kahle with such fervor as trying to close Monmouth Park Racetrack would try and find out what the other sources are.

Mayor Chaump stated on behalf of Mrs. Houschild had asked about the mailbox being moved and thanks to the Borough Clerk who contacted the Post Office, it will be moved by the Post Office.

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

At 8:41 p.m. there was a motion to adjourn from Councilman Briscione, seconded by Councilwoman Kahle and unanimously approved by Council members present.

Respectfully submitted,


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BOROUGH CLERK