

REGULAR MEETING

Oceanport, New Jersey
June 20, 1996

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The regular meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on June 20, 1996 at 8:03 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councilpersons McGee, Miller, Taylor, Wolfe, Silkworth and Mayor Cavanagh.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilwoman Filippone.

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Borough Clerk, Patricia L. Varca and Borough Attorney, Francis A. Margalotti.

INVOCATION:

Reverend Tavener gave the invocation.

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 June 6, 1996 had been made available for review by the members of the Governing Body, Councilwoman Silkworth moved to waive the reading of same and approve the minutes as presented by the Borough Clerk. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and unanimously approved by Council.

CLERK'S REPORTS:

1. Resolutions renewing liquor licenses for the 1996/97 licensing period:

The Clerk read resolution **R-96-36** renewing the liquor license of S & S Restaurant Group Inc., t/a the Olde Wharf Inne, after which Councilman Wolfe moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and approved by Council. R-96-36

The Clerk read resolution **R-96-37** renewing the liquor license of Arthur & Alvina, Inc. t/a Dug Out Tavern, after which Councilman Wolfe moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and approved by Council. R-96-37

The Clerk read resolution **R-96-38** renewing the liquor license of Oceanport Spirits Inc., after which Councilman Wolfe moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and approved by Council. R-96-38

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILMAN MCGEE: Councilman McGee advised that under the present requirements under the Statewide Worker's Compensation Fund, he attended a seminar yesterday with Tom Crochet which dealt with lawn mowing and chain saw safety and they found it to be a very worthwhile program. He commented that he is looking forward to the next seminar and found them to be very

informative and the main benefit is to help keep our employees in a safe work environment and keep them injury free.

Councilman McGee offered his congratulations to the Maple Place students who are graduating this evening and hoped that the weather would hold out so that the ceremonies could be held outdoors.

Councilman McGee reported that he saw Fred Filippone this afternoon who advised him that Councilwoman Filippone is at home and resting comfortably and should be back to her normal activities next week and he wished her well.

COUNCILWOMAN FILIPPONE: ABSENT.

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680 **COUNCILMAN MILLER:** Councilman Miller called for the second reading of an ordinance with regard to an agreement with the Monmouth County Community Development Program and asked the Clerk to read the Affidavit of Publication and the proposed ordinance by title only as follows: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MONMOUTH COUNTY FOR COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THE INTERLOCAL SERVICES ACT.**

Mayor Cavanagh opened the meeting to the public for any comments they might care to make on this subject only.

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

Councilman Miller then moved to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading and to advertise same in accordance with law. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor.

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilman Miller moved to conduct the public hearing on an amendment to the Fire Department ordinance with regard to Special Memberships at a meeting scheduled to be held on July 1, 1996 beginning at 7:30 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and approved by Council.

Councilman Miller then moved to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare plans and specifications and receive bids for the walking track proposed for Blackberry Bay Park. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and approved by Council.

Councilman Miller explained that the Recreation Committee has decided that instead of trying to complete the walking track project with partial volunteers, they have agreed, since they have the money in place, to contract this project out and hopefully it will be completed some time in August and prior to the Summer's End Festival.

Councilman Miller reported under the Shade Tree Committee, a meeting was held on Tuesday evening and it was agreed that an article will be prepared for the next Bulletin explaining the procedures for residents who want to take advantage of having trees from the nursery and beginning in late August, there are certain types of trees that can be replanted through November and they will list which trees are available and only ask for a donation in order to keep the nursery going and replace the trees as they are transplanted.

Councilman Miller reported under the Water Watch Committee that the Monmouth County Board of Health advised that on May 26 they did a sampling inside the racetrack at six different sites and in prior years, the numbers were always in the hundreds of thousands, while this time following the hook up with the sewer authority, showed that the only site above 200 was the pond outfall at 500 and all the rest of the sites were below 100, so the numbers are tremendous and the hook up is working and we will continue testing in these areas.

Councilman Miller also advised that on June 11, Chris Widdis of the Water Watch Committee took samples for fecal coliform only, in Branchport Creek and again we have eight different sites with the highest number being 240 at the bridge near Casa Comida with all other sites being way below that and this is good evidence that the system is working.

Councilman Miller reported under Recreation that the Toro machine from Borough funds, Baseball funds and Recreation funds is being used by the Public Works Department on the baseball fields and they are in the best shape they have been in many years and thanked the Public Works Department employees for taking care of this project.

Councilman Miller announced that the first Oceanport Lions Club Carnival will be held on Oceanport and Port-au-Peck Avenues from July 9 through the 13 beginning at 6:30 P.M. through 10:30 P.M. each evening and it is a joint endeavor with the fire department members and the proceeds will be given to various charities and Borough activities.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR: Councilman Taylor reported he had both good and bad news under Recycling and began with the good news in that he has been advised that the Borough will be receiving \$4,924.72 from our 1994 tonnage grant application and these funds should be received in the near future. He continued that the bad news is that there is no funding for the recycling of phone books through Bell Atlantic which had a program run through the County. He continued that we will be getting a container for the phone books which will cost the Borough money due to the lack of continued funding of this project.

Councilman Taylor thanked the residents of the Borough for their continuing recycling efforts.

Councilman Taylor also advised that the Drug Alliance would have a booth at the Oceanport Lions Carnival where they would be handing out literature as well as taking subscriptions for next year's Alliance Calendar.

Councilman Taylor wished Councilwoman Filippone a speedy recovery and hoped she would be back with the Council shortly.

COUNCILMAN WOLFE: Councilman Wolfe asked the Clerk to read resolution R-96-39 appointing an Affirmative Action Officer for the Borough, after which he moved to approve same. It was seconded by Councilwoman Silkworth and approved by Council.

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Councilman Wolfe then moved to hold the resolution regarding the waiving of building permit fees for the Port-au-Peck Chemical Hose Fire Company for repairs to a building owned by them located at 295 Port-au-Peck Avenue, since the Borough Attorney needed to research the statute covering this area, until the Special Meeting scheduled to be held on July 1, 1996. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and approved by Council.

Councilman Wolfe thanked Tom Crochet, Foreman of the Public Works Department and his employees who have been trying to work between rain storms on a list of streets that they are working on specifically patching and repaving and Mr. Crochet has submitted an outline of the work to be performed in the near future, in order to preserve certain streets until we are able to go out formally for bids.

Councilman Wolfe also advised that Mr. Crochet has now split the Department into two crews, one headed by Demetrio Zarate with two other employees who take care of the Parks and cutting of the grass and Mr. Crochet has two other men with whom he does the street work, so the Department is running well.

Councilman Wolfe hoped Councilwoman Filippone returns soon to the Governing Body.

COUNCILWOMAN SILKWORTH: NO REPORT.

MAYOR CAVANAGH: NO REPORT.

Mayor Cavanagh opened the meeting to the public for any comments or questions anyone might care to make, but as no one from the public wished to be heard, Mayor Cavanagh closed the public portion of the meeting.

Councilman Wolfe moved to approve the bills as listed on the Voucher Register dated June 20, 1996. It was seconded by Councilman Taylor and approved by Council. TOTAL 1996 VOUCHERS \$61,478.73. TOTAL 1996 VOUCHERS PAID THIS MEETING \$95,929.33. TOTAL 1996 OPERATING FUND \$157,408.06. TOTAL TRUST ACCOUNT \$179.43. TOTAL DOG REGISTRY ACCOUNT \$57.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-TAX OVERPAYMENT \$97.79. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-FIRE PREVENTION \$47.00. TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER-LIEN REDEMPTION \$152.98. (SEE VOUCHER REGISTER)

At 8:20 P.M. Councilwoman Silkworth moved to adjourn the meeting until the next special meeting scheduled to be held on July 1, 1996 at 7:30 P.M. It was seconded by Councilman Miller and approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA L. VARCA
BOROUGH CLERK