

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oceanport, New Jersey
June 15, 2006

The Regular Meeting of the Oceanport Mayor and Council was called to order on June 15, 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, Gallo, Briscione, Sharkey, Kahle, Mayor Chaump

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Ibex

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.

The Borough Clerk stated that there were 11 items on the Consent Agenda and then asked if there were any items that needed to be removed. There was a motion from Councilman Briscione to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilman Gallo and unanimously approved by Council.

Consent Agenda

1. Resolution for a liquor license.
2. Resolution authorizing the submission of the Coastal Alliance Grant.
3. Resolution regarding Senior Citizens Discounts.
4. Resolution regarding Veterans Discounts
5. Resolution authorizing the payment of bills.
6. Resolution authorizing the hiring of a seasonal person for public works.
7. Resolution authorizing the Borough to submit a DOT Grant application for Port-Au-Peck Avenue from Monmouth Blvd. to Branchport Avenue.
8. Resolution authorizing the Borough to submit a DOT Grant application for Asbury Avenue
9. Approval of the Workshop minutes of May 4, 2006
10. Approval of the Workshop minutes of May 15, 2006
11. Approval of the Regular minutes of May 18, 2006

CLERK'S REPORT:

The Borough Clerk stated the only other matter she had was the Police Report for May 2006, which she distributed and will be posted tomorrow on the bulletin board.

COMMITTEES:

COUNCILWOMAN KAHLE: Councilwoman Kahle started with Public Works stating that Richard Arlt was hired full time along with a seasonal person last month. Needless to say the

seasonal person was not hired and today Public Works is happy to welcome Harry Paronto to their Department. It was on the Consent Agenda. As you might imagine that this is a very busy time of year for the Public Works Department and they can use the help and also they are looking into the possibility of hiring a couple more workers for the summer. With that in mind, she spoke with Annette David, the CFO, and the Public Works Department has about \$15,000 budgeted for seasonal workers. She then asked if they could hire 2 extra seasonal workers for the rest of the summer because they are having a hard time keeping up with all of the demands with the extra grass cutting, the parks, the maintenance and since they do have the money she would like to see that get done. She cannot wait until the next meeting and she apologized and she was wondering if there would be any discussion about this matter.

Councilwoman Kahle then made a motion to allow Public Works to advertise and then hire up to 2 seasonal workers, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and unanimously approved by Council.

Councilwoman Kahle stated that the past month they have worked primarily on Blackberry Bay Park with the grass maintenance, the baseball fields and now focusing their attention to other maintenance issues including the spreading of the wood chips in the park, the road to the compost facility, the insulation of the water fountains, and the renovations to Old Wharf Park. They also did a great job repainting and re-stripping the parking area here at Borough Hall just in time for the Memorial Day Parade. The Public Works Department asked her to thank the many people who have helped them this past month, as they have been short-handed. They are especially thankful for the assistance of the Recreation Chair, Mike Tober, whose help has been invaluable to them and who did the beautiful planning in front of the park sign in front of Blackberry Bay. Mr. Tober donated his time, talent and his money to have that done.

Councilwoman Kahle reported that Buildings and Grounds have also been busy with the refurbishing of the bathrooms at the Community Center and the readying of the building for Action Camp. They received some donations to this end and the money is being spread around a little bit, which is much appreciated.

Councilwoman Kahle affirmed that at Blackberry Bay Park the bathroom building was resided as part of a Community Service Church project. Air hand dryers are being installed for free by John Carroll and Charlie Pierce.

Councilwoman Kahle confirmed that railroad ties were donated to replace rotting ones that were presently there by **Steve Cioffi** of Central Jersey Trucking and they are still in the process of being replaced by the volunteers such as Jimmy Gallo and Kenny Carroll.

Councilwoman Kahle stated that Fiore Paving, who was paving Sagamore and Port-Au-Peck, donated the extra paving to the curb behind the baseball field and also donated the pad in front of the bathroom building. We are extremely fortunate to have such good neighbors to lend a hand and pitch in. Our town looks much better for it.

Councilwoman Kahle stated in regards to recycling that she would like to remind everybody that the recycling area is for papers, glass, cans and bottles only and only for Oceanport residents. We have been having a problem with out-of-towners dumping their garbage off there and have found full paint cans, propane tanks, bags of cement, tires, and a bike in the paper container. Public Works have asked the Council to consider hours for the center to be open to combat this problem. They are finding a lot of people are coming over

here on Saturday and Sunday because their own recycling centers are closed. The Council has not approved this at this point because it would be an inconvenience for the neighbors and our citizens so they are not considering this at the moment but if this kind of dumping continues they might not have a choice as a recycling contractor said they are not contracted to take this kind of stuff away. Councilwoman Kahle asked everyone that if you see anyone dumping anything illegally please notify the police. Also at the recycling center the old, rickety, wobbly, stairs have been replaced with a set of metal stairs for your comfort and safety.

Councilwoman Kahle stated that she would like to thank everyone who participated in the Envira Escape Experience over Memorial Day Weekend. In order to comply with the new Storm Water regulations the Borough has to have 2 educational events per year. We had them at the Lion's Club Fair and at the Fire House after the Memorial Day Parade. She thanked Peter Dellera for being so accommodating in allowing us to set up the Envira Escape at the fair. She also thanked Councilman Gallo for helping clean up after it was over. It was a very important event for our children as it teaches them hands on the effects of storm water pollution and how their everyday lives are affecting our waterways. Hopefully they will carry this with them to their adulthood in order to save the environment for their future.

COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Councilwoman Johnson reported on Parks and Recreation. The Sports Association was a guest last night and they discussed tennis courts at the Community Center and also the basketball courts and the fountains at Blackberry. They are trying very hard to some how get the road department to do the fountains at Blackberry but since they have been very short-handed it is becoming an issue but she and Councilwoman Kahle will try to work together somehow and see what they can come up with. There are 2 new residents that did go to the Recreation meeting last night that have shown quite some interest in joining. The new members are Jimmy Gallo and Mike McStudy. She looks forward to seeing them at the next meeting also.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that Action Camp is up to 127 registrations now and there are 238 coaches that have been certified, which is a great thing. The fireworks fund is doing a great job. The envelopes are in the bulletin so if everybody sees them she thinks that a donation would be great. They are looking to have a wonderful September 9th at Blackberry Bay Park at the Summer's End Festival. There is a committee that is working on the Summer's End Festival, which is September 9th and September 10th will be the rain date. Hopefully this will be a great event and this will be for everyone to see.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that at Old Wharf the pavers have been completed. It still looks a little raggedy but it is still in the process of being worked on. They are looking into another matching grant to start phase 2 of Old Wharf so hopefully we can get that all finished in the next year or two.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that the concrete sidewalks and the curbing at Blackberry Bay Park have been completed and the parking lot has been paved. Like Councilwoman Kahle said the spot by the bathrooms has also been completed and it looks very nice.

Councilwoman Johnson reported on the Board of Health stating that Dawn Patrol is going to be June 30th at 7am at the racetrack and this is done every year. They take a tour in the backside for the Board of Health.

Councilwoman Johnson thanked everyone for the Memorial Day parade and a special thanks to Councilman Ibex and all who participated in the parade. It was a wonderful thing.

COUNCILMAN GALLO: Councilman Gallo stated that the only thing he had tonight was Water Watch. The Borough of Oceanport is required, under the Municipal Storm Water General Permit, to implement a program to physically inspect the out flow points. What it entails is after a 3-day rain you go and inspect the pipe and see if there is any water flow. If there is no water flow it is good but if there is a water flow then there must be a check to see what is actually flowing out of the pipe. They don't want any illegal connections to pollute the water. What they had done was ask the engineering firm to give them a price to inspect approximately 63 out flow points. The engineer came up with \$13,500. The Water Watch Committee said they were willing to inspect the out flow pipes and at the last meeting Tom Rospos attended and they discussed the inspection program and they felt comfortable to go ahead with this program. The Water Watch Committee is going to go ahead and inspect the pipes. We have up to 3 years to actually inspect them so they have time to do each one. Councilman Gallo then thanked the Water Watch Committee for taking on this project.

COUNCILMAN IBEX: Absent

COUNCILMAN SHARKEY: Councilman Sharkey stated that the Fire Department Committee meeting was cancelled the other night. He was there and not enough people showed up.

Councilman Sharkey stated in regard to Shared Services there is nothing to report unless Councilman Briscione has anything to report on.

Councilman Briscione stated that he talked to the Chief yesterday in regards to Police Dispatch and he will have a report for the next workshop.

Councilman Sharkey stated that everyone knows that the health insurance is normally renewed July 1st. We started this process in January or February. He then asked Kim, the Borough Clerk, if she had received anything else in regards to this matter. He then stated that he received the spreadsheet she prepared but he did not get a chance to review it and then asked her if she reviewed it with the CFO to which the Borough Clerk responded yes, she reviewed it with the CFO.

Councilman Sharkey stated at the last Workshop on Monday, there was an issue raised where a number was thrown out that the savings was not approximately \$40,000 that he had reported at the previous meeting. It was confirmed that the \$40,000 is a fairly accurate number. Again there are some rounding issues involved. The Borough Clerk just confirmed to him in the spreadsheet that the savings between the Horizon and the Central Jersey Health Insurance Fund is approximately \$40,000, which is a minimum savings. It could actually be even greater if the HIF comes in lower than 8% rate increase over the next 18 months. There is also a factor of a dividend in that program that we do not have with the Horizon program. There is also a possibility of a surcharge if the entire fund does have a bad experience so there is a risk and a substantial dividend that is going to be paid by the HIF because they have experienced good loss experience for their entire group. After reviewing the May 18th meeting minutes and there was a tremendous vocal outpouring of how unhappy our Borough employees are and retirees and various people and including himself that they do not have a full package or a complete package of information so that the Mayor and Council, Borough employees, and the PBA could

sit down and review the information in an organized and formal manner. This has been going on since last year including piecing together and getting the information last minute and we are still in the same situation this year. We have asked for various pieces of information and we do not get a complete package and we are still waiting for information so that we can do an analysis. He believes the problem is that we are not getting the service that we are paying for. One of the residents approached him and he said that we pay a fee for services and if we aren't getting that services or the information that is requested for that service then isn't that a problem and he responded yes. This has been going on for quite some time and we need to move forward with this and either except the HIF quote or just stay with Horizon. The Horizon quote is a very good quote. We have a good proposal that we have locked into so the Borough employees are fully protected. He would like to, as a Council liaison, make the recommendation that we address this unhappiness and the problem by changing brokers and appointing the JIF broker, Chuck Casagrande, as our health insurance broker so he would handle both programs. This is his recommendation so that we can at least move forward and get the package together and at the next regular meeting make a decision after everyone has had adequate time to look at the situation to decide how to go. This is not changing health plans. This is just a recommendation to change the broker and then the new broker would gather the information and finalize the process that we have been struggling with over the past couple of months.

Mayor Chaump stated that at the April 6th Workshop Meeting Mr. Casagrande stated that he had not placed a town in the HIF in a few years and he was not sure what the commission was. Mayor Chaump thought that she and Councilman Sharkey discussed this over email and if he wanted to change brokers that we would discuss it and put it on a Workshop Meeting agenda. She had asked Councilman Sharkey to put it on Monday night's agenda and he never got back to her on that issue. Mayor Chaump then stated that she was not sure whether or not Council has enough information to make a decision because none of them have seen the documentation.

Councilman Sharkey stated that this has nothing to do with the HIF and we are not doing anything to move forward with the HIF. The HIF Commission has nothing to do with any of this. Everyone has been looking at this and is upset with this for the entire month and at the last meeting he asked the Council members and he reported that this is a consideration that needs to be considered. The Council members have had an entire month and more than that to understand this issue and to see how unhappy our Borough employees are. He thinks that this must be changed.

Councilman Sharkey then made a motion to authorize Chuck Casagrande to be our broker record on the health insurance policy with Horizon and that he can gather the information that we have been struggling to obtain to make a final decision. He then asked for a second.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that she thinks we have been with Horizon for about 8 years now and Mr. Wardell has been our broker for those 8 years. She then asked the Borough Clerk if there were ever any problems with Mr. Wardell and the Borough Clerk stated no problems that she could recall.

Councilwoman Johnson then asked if there are ever any problems with Mr. Wardell, when called does he respond in a timely manner and any information that is needed he supplies in a timely manner and the Borough Clerk stated that she has never had a problem calling him.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that she thought Councilman Sharkey has asked Mr. Wardell for the past 2 years for quite a bit of information and she believes that they have received all of the information from him. Councilwoman Johnson stated that she is waiting for the HIF, Mr. Casagrande, to give us apples-to-apples. She doesn't see it. Not only that, she asked what's the commission, apples-to-apples? She has nothing in front of her to compare so this just comes down to the broker. . We are all here to save money but she thinks that we have never had a problem with Mr. Wardell. She has spoken to Mr. Wardell numerous times and other people on Council have also and she doesn't see where Councilman Sharkey thinks he is a problem.

Councilman Sharkey stated that Councilwoman Johnson just confirmed that they don't have the information to make a decision.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that they are waiting for Mr. Casagrande. If Councilman Sharkey is going to do apples-to-apples then why don't we have something in front of us to compare apples-to-apples? That is her question.

Councilman Sharkey stated that he tried to explain this at the last meeting and he will attempt to try to explain it again.

Councilman Briscione stated to Mayor Chaump that he thinks the appropriate time to discuss this matter should be at the next Workshop meeting. This is the first time that he has heard about the possibility of changing brokers. He doesn't have any information and he is not sure who is providing the correct information so he thinks that this is inappropriate to vote on something like this without having all of the information available to us.

Councilman Sharkey said what will happen is by putting a new broker who we have been very happy with handling the property casualty insurance. He then asked the Borough Clerk if she has had any problems with Mr. Casagrande and the Borough Clerk responded no.

Councilman Sharkey stated that he would then go forward and gather the information that they have been waiting for. That is the intent. Right now it is not getting done and Councilwoman Johnson has confirmed that she doesn't have the information. He doesn't have the information and the PBA doesn't have the information. We are not going anywhere with this situation and it has to change. He would like to make the change and to give Mr. Casagrande an opportunity to put together the packet of information that we need to make a decision. We will always have the opportunity to go back to Mr. Wardell and Grinspec if we decide to do that. So this is not like a permanent thing or a problem but we are having this serious problem and we need to solve it.

Councilwoman Johnson stated that she just had one question. Why do we need to make him the broker to get the package? Why doesn't he give that up front?

Councilman Sharkey replied that has been his question.

Councilwoman Kahle stated she thinks that Mr. Wardell should have done that for us. Her concern is that this is the second year of going through this process and it seems our insurance committee is not working well with this present broker. We are not getting anywhere and this is the second year in a row that we've had contentious insurance renewals. She thinks that she would not have a problem changing because in order to have a good relationship they need people that are willing to work together and it doesn't seem like they are working together.

If that is your broker and your Council liaison for insurance, which it is because that is his expertise, and we are going to have the same problems next year and the year after that she understands why we would want to continue with that change.

Councilman Briscione stated that he thinks that they had the same problem with the broker for property and casualty so perhaps it is not the broker.

Councilman Sharkey stated that they are having a good experience with Mr. Casagrande.

Councilman Briscione stated that Mr. Casagrande did miss 3 45-day or 90-day deadlines so someone made a mistake either on insurance or the broker made the mistake.

Councilman Sharkey stated that was the previous broker, which is a good thing because we are now with a broker who has a good program and he has clients in another program and he is licensed to handle Horizon. There is no downside to this because it doesn't cost the Borough any money and we should hopefully see an increase in better service to resolve these issues and move forward. Unless someone has a major stake with the current broker he doesn't know why we wouldn't try to fix the current problem that they are having.

Mayor Chaump replied to Councilman Sharkey that last year his recommendation was to go out for RFP for brokers so we are not going to do that this year and Councilman Sharkey stated not right now because he made a motion and he needs a second.

Councilman Briscione asked Mr. Arnette if we are not required to go out for bid to change the broker since the contracts total is far in excess of the bid threshold?

Mr. Arnette stated that the reason they have the Workshop is so he can answer these questions so he can know what is coming up from the past. This is the first he is hearing about this issue. He doesn't even know if there is a contract or a memorandum of understanding with the current broker. He doesn't know anything about the current circumstance with the current broker.

Councilman Briscione stated this is the reason why this should be done at Workshop.

Mayor Chaump asked if there was a second to the motion?

Councilwoman Kahle asked Mr. Arnette if we would be breaking any laws if we second the motion and Mr. Arnette stated he said nothing of the sort. He doesn't know whether the law is being broken because there is a way to award contracts through the pay to play regulations. You can select who you would like as long as you award the contract in the non-fare unopened contract awarding rule. There are things you can do that would allow you to do that. He's not saying that any laws would be broken he is simply stating that there might be some financial liability circumstance or not because he doesn't even know if there is an agreement with the current broken or not.

Borough Clerk stated that she believes there is an agreement with the Grinspec.

Councilman Sharkey replied that his understanding is that you can switch brokers with a broker of record letter. All you would do is appoint a new broker. The contract is already awarded with Horizon. Horizon recognizes the new broker. The new broker can talk to the

carrier and gather the necessary information and report that back to Council with out any compensation from the Borough. The compensation would be from the insurance carrier.

Councilwoman Kahle asked if we had an agreement with the current broker and Councilman Sharkey stated that he has not seen one and the Borough Clerk stated that she would have to confirm that.

Councilwoman Kahle asked with those kinds of contracts could you cancel that at anytime?

Mr. Arnette told Councilwoman Kahle not to ask Councilman Sharkey because he is the one responsible for the legal matter. He appreciates the legwork that Councilman Sharkey has done but the bottom line is that he knows nothing of the contract because nobody has asked him to look at it and he is just hearing about this now. He would be more than happy to look at it but he is not going to do it now.

Councilman Sharkey asked if he could make the motion subject to Mr. Arnette's review and Mr. Arnette asked what motion is he making subject to his review and Councilman Sharkey said to appoint Mr. Casagrande as the broker record with Horizon and Mr. Arnette stated for the sake of argument you have an agreement with Grinspec and there is going to be some financial ramifications or whatever it might be, don't you think you need to know that before you make a motion? You can't make a motion contingent upon something when he hasn't advised whether or not there are any contingencies.

Councilman Briscione stated that they don't even know what Mr. Casagrande's fees would be. He then made a motion to table the previous motion.

Mr. Arnette replied that he doesn't think there was a second on Mr. Sharkey's motion.

Mayor Chaump then asked the Council if there was a second on Councilman Sharkey's motion? There being no second Mayor Chaump suggested that this issue be put on the next Workshop Agenda, which is July 17th and discuss it then.

Mr. Arnette then asked the Borough Clerk if she could pull all of the relating documents for his review.

COUNCILMAN BRISCIONE: Councilman Briscione stated that he has four Ordinances. He then called for the 2nd reading and public hearing of an Ordinance amending the 2006 Salary ordinance.

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

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilman Briscione then moved 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 the roll:

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

Councilman Briscione called for a 2nd reading and public hearing of an Ordinance regarding the Sexual Offender Residency Restriction Ordinance.

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 Kahle and seconded by Councilwoman Johnson.

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilman Briscione moved to adopt the Ordinance on 2nd and final reading and to advertise same in accordance with the law, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilman Briscione called for an introduction of an Ordinance regarding an amendment to the 2006 Salary Ordinance to allow a salary range for a special class II officer. He then moved to approve the Ordinance on first reading, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilman Briscione moved to hold the public hearing on the proposed Ordinance at the Council meeting of July 20, 2006 and to advertise same in accordance with the law, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle.

The Clerk called the roll:

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

Councilman Briscione called for an introduction of an Ordinance regarding an amendment to the Personnel Ordinance allowing for the donation of sick time. He then moved to approve the Ordinance upon first reading, which was seconded by Councilwoman Kahle

The Clerk called to roll:

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

Councilman Briscione confirmed that the Police Report for May indicated that the department answered 1,264 calls and officers responded to 696 calls. There were 177 summons' issued and 227 motor vehicle stops. Michael Chenoweth and Michael Kelly have completed a course in Work Zone Safety from the Police Academy at Essex County College and Michael Kelly has completed a field training officers course given by the Division of Criminal Justice.

Councilman Briscione stated in regards to Monmouth Park, Mayor Chaump and himself met with Assemblyman Panter and Senator Karcher about some concerns for the 2007 Breeder's Cup. Being the host community is an exciting and major event. However, with it comes responsibilities and costs associated mainly with police protection and Public Works. They were looking for assurances that our role in this event will not be minimized and they both walked away with the impressions that their concerns will be articulated.

Councilman Briscione stated that he and Mayor Chaump met today with members of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority and representatives of neighboring towns such as Little Silver, West Long Branch, Long Branch, Belmar, and Ocean Township to discuss the formation of the Host Committee for the Breeder's Cup 2007. Jerry Zaro and former **Governor** Brendan Byrne are co-chairs to this committee. He was asked to coordinate the Fan Fest Committee, which will plan and co-ordinate local activities in conjunction with the event.

Councilman Briscione reported on Economic Development. The committee is now meeting on a monthly basis relative to the closure and potential redevelopment of Fort Monmouth. He provided the committee with information regarding the BRAC closure process and the University of Pennsylvania Planning Study, which gives an overview of the land area and the Oceanport part of the base. The committee will look to make recommendations to the Council, Planning Board and the local LRA when it is formed.

MAYOR CHAUMP: Mayor Chaump started with some of the letters she received from committees. She received a letter from Elwood Baxter that he is resigning from the Two River Water Reclamation Authority and she then thanked him for all of his years of service. E.J. Wright also emailed her that he is resigning from the Economic Development because he does not have the time. Alfred Guzzi, Jr. is resigning from Capital Improvement. Looking on the agenda she asked for a motion to appoint John Bonforte to the Two River Water Reclamation Authority. Councilwoman Kahle made this motion, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and unanimously approved by Council.

Mayor Chaump reported on Economic Development. She asked for a motion to appoint Frank Baracelli to the Economic Development Committee. Councilman Briscione made that motion, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and unanimously approved by Council.

Mayor Chaump thanked Council for those 2 appointments and then stated that there is still an opening for the Capital Improvement Committee, which will be posted on the board and if anyone is interested to please call Borough Hall.

Mayor Chaump stated that she was invited to go to the Eagle Scout Ceremony on June 3rd at Borough Hall and she gave Proclamations to Kerin Clayton, Matthew Kohler, Richard Gallo and Patrick Hickey and they also received service awards for what they did in the community.

Mayor Chaump reported that on May 23rd during her Mayorial hours she met with the Baseball Association and the Recreation Committee. The attendees for Parks and Recreation were Mike Tober, who was the Chairperson, Will Johnson, Vice-Chairman, and Lee Poole, Treasurer. For Oceanport Baseball Association, Toni Sempkowski, President, Mike McStudy, Treasurer, Jim Gallo from Fireman Softball and Dave Chachko who was formerly on the Baseball Association. The Borough Engineer, Tom Rospos, was also in attendance. The meeting started at 7:30pm. She started the meeting saying that there needed to be some dialogue between Baseball and Parks and Rec. Baseball is under Parks and Rec and there appeared to be a lack of communication. Also, the Borough Engineer was there to answer questions and concerns brought up at Council meetings, Workshop meetings, and Public meetings. Tom Rospos had been to a Parks and Rec meeting 2 weeks prior to that meeting. She gave a history of the plans for Blackberry Bay Park work. Since she was not on Council in 2003 she had gone back and checked the minutes. At the February 20, 2000 meeting the Parks and Recreation Committee had suggested phase I, which was a \$250,000 in Capital, which Council had approved. At the March 6, 2003 meeting it was reported that the Green Acres Loan for 2% had been applied for and was approved. At the June 19, 2003 meeting the Mayor and Council with the Borough Engineer decided to go out to bid for the following: the right side field improvement, top-soil in-field clay, seed irrigation system, the well, electrical work, sod, and back stop fencing. Bids were received on July 15, 2003 and on July 29, 2003

the bids were rejected due to insufficient funding. The Mayor and Council decided to re-advertise for the well and the electrical work. The bid was received on August 18, 2003 and the contract was awarded on August 21, 2003 to Tiger Construction for \$89,639.00. In 2004 Mayor and Council looked at the plans and decided to do a phase II design with alternates. On May 10, 2004 there was a meeting with the late Mayor Maria Gatta, 2 Council liaisons for Recreation, which were Councilwoman Kahle and herself, the Borough Engineer, Tom Rospos, Lee Poole, Dave Redeschi, Kevin Kornick, Toni Sverapa, Gordon Ellam, and Jeff Bottger to look over this design. The plans were re-designed to change the grading percentage and add more topsoil. The base bid included work on the entire park, which was a complete irrigation system, topsoil, clay infields and wood chips. There were 5 alternates. Alternate 1 was a Sunshade System. Alternate 2 was the batting cage and net. Alternate 3 was the sod. Alternate 4 was the seed and fertilizer and Alternate 5 was tennis court lighting only. On May 14, 2004 the project was advertised and the contract was awarded on June 17, 2004 to RWV for the base bid and alternate 1,2, and 4. Parks and Recreation had told all the associations that the park would be closed for 1 year in order for the seed to take hold. On July 19, 2004 it was reported that the electrical work was not done and they were already behind a week. It was decided to let the Soccer Camp use the field in August and the rest of the work was started in late August 2004. This is the end of her timeline report.

Mayor Chaump continued that as the meeting Toni Sempkowski asked the Borough Engineer about the as built and Tom Rospos had the plans and explained the elevation in the park before the project was done. There was a discussion about the in-field drainage and water on both fields. She informed the group that the clay was there and was put on the baseball field that day on May 23rd with Tom Rospos shooting the elevation. There were problems that existed and the reason it wasn't done and sat there for 4 weeks was because of rain, Public Works did not have a full crew, and they did not have the seasonal person. Some men had been out of work because of sick time and personnel had to be approved at a public meeting in order to hire someone else. Tom Rospos also reported that after the first rainfall Public Works knew to go back and circle the puddles and address them. There were other concerns that were brought up. The sunshade screen that Tom Rospos was aware of and would address. Mike McStudy asked if Roller Hockey and Baseball can have some rolls of toilet paper to store because on the weekend there is a shortage as well as the opening and closing of the bathrooms. She said she would pass this on to Buildings and Grounds, which she did in the memo and Councilman Sharkey and Councilwoman Kahle have. Benches, bicycle racks, stone dust, concrete, and certain spots of batter's deck and fencing all of these issues were not in the bid and would be addressed by Parks and Rec, which Mike Tober said he would discuss at the next meeting and invite Toni Sempkowski. Toni Sempkowski said he did not know when the meetings were and he never got the minutes and again Mayor Chaump stated that there was a lack of communication between baseball and Parks and Rec. This is why she invited both groups to attend. Mike Tober said he would inform Toni Sempkowski and would also give him the minutes if that was what he wanted. Dave Chachko had a suggestion that the Borough put up signs in the park when there were renovations on the start date and the end date so the residents would know and there would be no confusion. Jim Gallo also reported that people were stealing the topsoil in the park, which the Borough had to use to fill in the low spots. That topsoil was intended for the low area near the batting cage that had water as reported by the Borough Engineer. The sprinkler head locations on both fields were also discussed. There was a lengthy discussion on the placement and the direction of the heads on the grass. The suggestion was to move a sprinkler head behind home plate and the 2 on the infield to be moved on the grass. The clay mix and maintenance were discussed. Dave Chachko then gave his report, which was an estimate on the reconditioning the infield for \$14,328.00. Mayor Chaump reported that Councilman Briscione had already contacted Monmouth University and

had met with them on the fields about this issue. Mike Tober has the report from the Monmouth University tech people. Mayor and Council had agreed many times in 2004, 2005, and 2006 that after spending all of this money they needed to have a maintenance program for the fields including the infields and the grass. It was agreed that Dave Chachko would contact Tom Rospos about exactly what needed to be done and then relay that info back to Parks and Rec Committee so that they could get 3 quotes. There was a discussion on when to do the infield conditioning either after baseball in the fall or in the spring before baseball and Park and Rec along with the Baseball Association would decide once they got the quotes. The meeting ended at 9:20pm and it was a good dialogue with suggestions to move forward and to correct some misinformation. After the meeting she spoke with Toni Sempkowski and Mike Tober about the baseball website. Mike McStudy came back and stayed also. She stated that she received an email and 2 phone calls from residents who were upset and offended by the political speech. She also spoke with the Borough Attorney and was passing this information about tax-exempt status. She checked the site and found the names and addresses on the New Jersey elect report. Toni Sempkowski said he understood how people would feel and would look into taking it off. Toni also stated that the addresses were blacked out and asked me to pull it up on her computer. Mayor Chaump stated that she did not have to because she had seen it as well as other residents and other Council members. She said if Toni wanted her to address this with Council she would. With this he said he would look into it and that was the end of the conversation, which lasted about 10 minutes. Afterwards, Mayor Chaump received Mr. Sempkowski's memo and she was surprised to see it. She in no way threatened him nor did she mention anyone's name. It was as if they were at 2 different meetings and they ended the conversation with Toni Sempkowski empathizing with the residents and said he would probably take it off and the meeting ended with a mutual understanding.

Mayor Chaump stated that there was a proclamation sent to Andrew Wong who was a Comcast leader and achiever from Shore Regional and he received a \$1,000.00 scholarship.

Mayor Chaump stated the Borough also received a joint legislative resolution from the New Jersey Senate which is a big resolution, which will be framed and she will put it in the Mayor's office if anyone would like to come in and see it they are more than welcome.

Mayor Chaump reported that the Borough has received a certification and a flag that was flown in Iraq from Paul Hester who is a resident of Oceanport. Mayor Chaump then read the certificate, "Let it be know that this flag of the United States of America flew over headquarters of the 408th Personnel Services Battalion at the base camp in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom on the 21st of May, 2006 and is presented to the Borough of Oceanport in appreciation of your service and outstanding contribution to our great nation and the 408th Personnel Services Battalion." Mayor Chaump stated that Councilwoman Kahle will have it put into a shadow box and it will be hung in Borough Hall. Mayor Chaump then thanked Paul Hester for giving Oceanport the flag.

Mayor Chaump reported that there was also a letter from the Monmouth County Freeholders that **CR 11** Oceanport Ave from Route 36 to Port-Au-Peck Ave will be paved in their 2006 Monmouth County Resurfacing Program.

Mayor Chaump informed that Council members toured Fort Monmouth on June 8th to see the 400+ acres that reside in Oceanport territory.

Mayor Chaump stated that at the Two Rivers Mayor meeting on June 10, 2006 Colonel Sullivan was there and spoke about the 4 appointees that were waiting for background checks

and then they will be appointed to their Local Revitalization Authority. As far as the grant that Oceanport is supposed to be receiving from the Department of Defense, because we went under the Fort Monmouth Reuse Committee they will just cross out the name and put the Local Revitalization Authority so we don't have to resubmit the grant application they will just change the name on it.

Mayor Chaump also attended the Garden Club luncheon on June 14th because they celebrated their 40th anniversary. She stated they do a lot for the Borough as far as decorations during the holiday seasons and Borough Hall and the plants they plant on the island on Monmouth Blvd. They were a very nice group of women who do all of that planting.

PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Toni Sempkowski, Oceanport Baseball Association, stated that most of the information the Mayor gave was pretty much accurate but he needs to put on record that once you run for public office and once you accept that office you need to realize that your life isn't personal anymore because a lot of information that you can gather either it be through books, internet, search engines, and other places where personal information is accessible to anyone if you want to do that. He went on a search engine and he got the Mayor's address, phone number, her husbands name, her year of birth and if he wanted to he could have gotten any kind of criminal history, DMV records, and any other records that are accessible through that search. There is just a wealth of information out there. He went to the Board of Taxation website and he knew the block and lot, how much was paid for the lot and how much it is assessed at now, the tax rate and more. So anyone who thinks that their information is confidential it is not. He stands strongly behind the fact that the information that was posted on the website was blacked out. He has that information and he wanted to make that clear.

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

Bill List: \$7,931,007.04 Bill List: Capital Trust Total \$146,243.73. Dog Registry Total \$202.20.00. Open Space \$1,807.16. Recreation Trust \$450.00. 2005 Vouchers Paid \$578,778.53. 2005 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$2,999.36. TOTAL 2005 Vouchers \$601,777.89. 2006 Vouchers Paid \$7,773,150.05. 2006 Vouchers Paid this Meeting \$157,856.99. 2006 Total Vouchers:

At 8:53 p.m. Councilwoman Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Councilman Gallo and unanimously approved by Council

Respectfully submitted,



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