

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL – TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN**

AUGUST 6, 2012

OAKHURST, NEW JERSEY

The Workshop Meeting was held in the Council Conference Room, Town Hall, 399 Monmouth Road, Oakhurst, NJ 07755 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Deputy Mayor Siciliano
Councilmember(s) Evans Schepiga and Siciliano

Absent: Mayor Larkin

Others: Martin Arbus, Esq., Township Attorney
Andrew Brannen, Township Manager
Vincent Buttiglieri, Township Clerk

Mayor Larkin announced that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been satisfied; a copy of the Annual Notice was sent to the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster, posted in Town Hall and filed in the Office of the Township Clerk on December 5, 2011.

REVIEW OF ALL REGULAR MEETING MATERIAL:

Andrew Brannen, Township Manager, went through the meeting items, which were reviewed by the Governing Body and held for the Regular Meeting of August 6, 2012, unless otherwise noted (*):

PUBLIC HEARING – Monmouth County Open Space Grant

Acquisition of Lot 32, Block 22 which is part of the Ocean Senior Citizen Housing Corporation property located at 67 Skinner Drive.

Andrew Brannen, Township Manager, stated that the Public Hearing concerns the 4 acres at Poplar Village and is a requirement of the Monmouth County Open Space Grant application.

MINUTES:

July 11, 2012 – Workshop, Public and Closed Meeting
July 24, 2012 – Public Meeting

RESOLUTIONS:

12-114 Authorize the Reduction of the Performance Guarantee for the following:

- a. Block 22, Lots 106, 107 & 108 – Grant Avenue Estates – G.S. Realty Corp.

Mr. Brannen stated that this was a 7 lot sub-division with 1 lot reserved for drainage.

12-115 Authorize the Release of Performance Guarantee for the following:

- a. Block 141, Lot 24 – 1700 Brielle Avenue - Camp Allsport Phase I

Mr. Brannen reported that Camp Allsport has received approvals for Phase II and all guarantees will be posted as part of Phase II.

12-116 Authorize the renewal of the 2012-2013 liquor license for Levy Liquors II, LLC who has met all Township and State requirements and paid all applicable fees

12-117 Authorize the Stormwater Management Agreement with the following:

- a. Block 3, Lots 5 & 6 – 2125 Highway 35 – RSC Realities, LLC

12-118 Authorize a Performance Guarantee for the following:

- a. Block 141, Lots 1 & 23 – 2301 Route 66 – Seaview Square, LLC

Mr. Brannen stated that this is related to the sale of the building to Monmouth County.

INDIVIDUAL ACTION:

VOUCHERS: \$ 13,893,241.40

RESOLUTIONS:

12-119 Authorize the Consideration of Bids for the following:

- a. Abandoned Vehicles
- b. Bituminous Concrete Mix I-2, I-4 and I-5
- c. Asphalt Patch Truck

Mr. Brannen stated that the asphalt truck is replacing a 25 year old vehicle.

12-120 Authorize the Tax Collector to issue refund(s) to the owner of Block 39.07 Lot 4 due to an overpayment of taxes

12-121 Authorize the purchase of a John Deere 624K Loader from the Monmouth County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (Contract #F-101-2012) at a cost not to exceed \$204,370.00

Mr. Brannen stated that it is more economical to purchase the loader off the Monmouth County Cooperative Agreement than through public bidding.

12-122 Authorize the purchase of a vehicle for the Police Department from the New Jersey State Agency for Surplus Property at a cost not to exceed \$8,500.00

12-123 Authorize the Tax Collector to place a lien on the following Township properties:

- a. Block 3, Lot 21 – 601 West Park Avenue - \$263.08
- b. Block 38.08, Lot 16 – 3 Alba Court - \$552.58
- c. Block 3, Lot 69 – 29 Peach Tree Road – 678.67
- d. Block 22, Lot 93 – 214-216 West Morgan Avenue - \$161.98

12-124 Authorize the Assignment of Rights for Whalepond Village to Community Investment Strategies, Inc.

Mr. Brannen stated that this agreement is subject to a contract with K. Hovnanian and a contract with Community Investment Strategies, Inc.

ORDINANCES:

Adoption(s):

Ordinance #2188 – Amend Chapter II of the “Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Ocean, 1965” entitled: “Department of Police”
(Coaster)

Mr. Brannen stated that the ordinance does not specify the number of officers at each level but rather an “up to” number. This gives the Township some flexibility. The other revision is that the Class II officers are now included in the ordinance.

Ordinance #2189 – Bond Ordinance providing for curb and sidewalk improvements appropriating \$130,000 therefore, authorizing the issuance of \$123,500 bonds and notes to finance a portion of the costs thereof, authorized in and by the Township of Ocean, County of Monmouth, New Jersey
(Coaster)

Mr. Brannen informed the Governing Body that this ordinance is for the assessment districts.

ITEM FOR DISCUSSION:

SUBJECT: 2013 Municipal Budget

ACTION: Mr. Brannen reported that Salary and Wage piece of the municipal budget should be completed by the middle of September and should remain relatively consistent.

At this juncture, Mr. Brannen introduced Tim Siciliano who had requested to speak with regard to the wrestling program.

Mr. Siciliano stated that the Township currently has 55 children of various ages in the recreation wrestling program. There has been discussion of removing this from the recreation umbrella and making it a club sport. Mr. Siciliano is opposed to that option because he feels that the less advanced children will feel intimidated by making it ultra-competitive.

SUBJECT: Capital Project Update

ACTION: Mr. Brannen discussed the following projects:

HVAC Improvements – still ongoing but some minor issues have come up and they are being rectified.

Road Program – project is a little behind schedule but it is progressing.

SUBJECT: FEMA Grant Update

ACTION: Mr. Brannen reported that the Township is still waiting on official notification is we have been successful in securing the requested funding.

SUBJECT: Whalepond Brook Update

ACTION: Mr. Brannen reported that he and Bill McMahon have a meeting with Faith Teitlebaum from the Whalepond Broon Watershed Association on August 7th, who wants to construct additional walking trails throughout the area.

An additional meeting will be held on August 8th with representatives with Monmouth County to examine the potential solutions.

SUBJECT: Municipal Power Aggregation

ACTION: Mr. Brannen explained that the program will consist of a company bidding out electrical service for the residents. In order to encourage resident to switch, there is usually some small incentive (ie: gift card). If any resident decides that they want to remain with JCP&L, they would be required to fill out a form stating same.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Schepiga reminded everyone that the opening ceremony for the Italian American Festival will be held at 7:00 p.m. on August 8, 2012.

Deputy Mayor Siciliano reported that he a tennis instructor would like to speak at the September 12th Workshop meeting to discuss his tennis program proposal.

The following individuals did not issue a report at this meeting:

Councilmember(s) Evans and Garofalo
Martin Arbus, Esq., Township Attorney

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None at this juncture.

Seeing that there were no Public Comments, Deputy Mayor Siciliano read the following:

**RESOLUTION
DECLARING CLOSED SESSION**

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Ocean, County of Monmouth as follows:

1. The Public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - C1. Litigation – COAH
3. It is anticipated at this time that the Municipal Clerk shall on a six (6) month basis, review the minutes of closed sessions of the Township of Ocean and make a recommendation to the Governing Body which minutes should be considered for public record. The minutes which are made public shall not thereafter be treated as confidential, but may be seen and copied by any person(s) in the same manner as any meeting minutes of the Township of Ocean.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Record of Vote	Deputy Mayor Siciliano	Councilman Evans	Councilman Garofalo	Councilwoman Schepiga	Mayor Larkin
Motion To Approve		X			
Motion to Second			X		
Approved	X	X	X	X	
Opposed					
Not Voting/Recuse					
Absent/Excused					X

Seeing that there were no additional comments, the meeting was adjourned.

Record of Vote	Deputy Mayor Siciliano	Councilman Evans	Councilman Garofalo	Councilwoman Schepiga	Mayor Larkin
Motion To Approve	X				
Motion to Second		X			
Approved	X	X	X	X	X
Opposed					
Not Voting/Recuse					
Absent/Excused					

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Buttiglieri, RMC/CMC/MMC
Township Clerk