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BUDGET MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL, MARCH 5, 2012 AT 6:08 P.M.
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF BOROUGH HALL.

Mayor Dempsey's statement re: Open Public Meetings Act of 1975 and that notice was given to the Coast Star and the Asbury Park Press on March 2, 2012.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, and McCarthy

Absent: Council Members Grasso and Mangan

Also present was Allen Shechter, Borough Auditor and Joseph Delorio Administrator/CMFO

FOLLOW UP ON BUDGET STATUS

Mr. Delorio stated that he submitted a list of various Capital projects to the Council Members and he did receive some responses regarding those items. He stated that he needs feedback from the Council on what they would like to see as part of the Capital Budget Plan. He stated that whatever is in the Capital Budget Plan must be put into the Municipal Budget but does not become effective until an ordinance is passed.

Council Member Donovan asked where the down payment money comes in.

Mr. Delorio stated that the down payment is 5% on any Capital Budget money, it comes out of the Capital Improvement Fund. He advised that what the Council has is an overall list and it is not what he is suggesting to do. He stated that this is an ongoing list so he can keep a tally each and every year. As the projects are completed they come off the list.

Bulkheading

Mr. Delorio stated that there are three (3) alternative plans regarding bulkheads. Mr. Rooney the Borough Engineer provided figures regarding the bulkheading. He went over the bulkheading project list.

There was discussion on the bulkheading projects.

It was suggested to put 4th Avenue, Perrine Blvd., Euclid Avenue Bulkheading in the Capital Project List for \$1.1 million.

Water Mains

There was discussion on the water mains that are on the list.

Mr. Delorio stated that how the bids come in, that would determine which water mains would be done. He stated that the items stay on the list until they are done.

Water Consumption Meters

Mr. Delorio stated that at some point the water meter heads need to be replaced. He stated that this project could be phased in by district.

There was discussion on the way the meters are read currently and the equipment being used.

Council Member Donovan asked if this could be put into the Capital Plan and investigate the costs again to see how the costs have gone up.

Sewer Mains

There was discussion on Pompano and First Avenue sewer mains.

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Mr. DeLorio stated that his opinion is since there are many street projects to be addressed and if he had to prioritize them this would not be on the list, but it should be noted.

Parking Lots

Mayor Dempsey stated that the Parking Lots should really be in the Beach Budget and that Second Avenue is in the worst shape. He suggested doing Second Avenue in 2014 and Third Avenue in 2015.

Mr. DeLorio stated that Squan Plaza is on the Agenda for tonight's meeting.

Drainage Issues

Mr. DeLorio stated that Glimmer Glass Project has been phased in portions each year and last year was between \$400,000 and \$500,000 including some sewer work. He advised that the areas that were chosen last year are out to bid this year. He stated that it is normally council's decision to put in a dollar amount and then have the engineer come in with his suggestions for replacements. He stated due to the size and the scope of some of the other projects he suggested forgoing this for a year.

There was discussion on some of the drainage issues that are on the list.

Borough Buildings

Mr. DeLorio went over the Borough Buildings and advised that the ADA Sliding Doors at the Entrance will be paid for through a grant if received. He went over the replacement of carpeting for the building.

Mayor Dempsey asked if the carpeting could be done in steps with the finance and hallway being done this year.

Mr. DeLorio said that would be his recommendation. He went over the gate that is requested by the Police Department for the stairwell and the demolition of the Little League Building.

There was discussion on the state of the Little League Building and the Tennis Courts that was suggested to be re-surfaced.

Mr. DeLorio stated that the Tennis Court resurfacing will be put on hold until he can get the engineer's opinion and options.

Mr. DeLorio stated that he highly recommends getting office furniture for the finance office. He stated that he does not have an estimate for the Emergency Generator for Borough Hall yet because he is going through the process of an analysis of energy loads for the building. He stated that he would put the ventilation on the list, ADA will be done through the grant, carpeting in finance and hallway waiting area, demolish the Little League Building, office furniture, and emergency generator is on hold.

Council Member Donovan stated the window tinting should be put in also.

Mr. DeLorio advised that the police are looking for a gate for the stairwell that should be included. He stated that there is a list of street projects for council's consideration and on that list is Branin and he recommends having this project put on the list. He stated that he has received a number of calls from residents on Trout Street, Pershing Avenue and Meadow Avenue having problems. He stated that Pershing and Sims is a big problem.

Council Member Donovan stated that these projects have been prioritized by the Public Works and from the Engineer.

Mr. DeLorio stated that Branin was listed first, and then Pershing and Meadow, Sims and Trout and these are the top 5 projects.

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Council Member Donovan asked if Brielle Road was on the list.

Mr. Nicastro went over Brielle Road and the problems with it.

There was discussion on micropaving and the reason that it could not be done.

There was discussion on the top 5 road projects that the Council would like to have done which amounts to approximately \$253,000.

Mr. DeLorio stated that there are some sidewalk and curb repairs on the list and that there is an existing ordinance that can be drawn from.

Streets and Road Department

Mr. DeLorio stated that there are a few requests, one is the pickup truck with a plow, masonry dump truck with plow, emergency generator, and the upgrade of electrical service at the East Virginia Lift Station.

It was agreed that the emergency generator and the upgrade of electrical service at the East Virginia Lift Station are a priority.

There was discussion on the request for vehicles.

Council Member McCarthy stated that the trucks should wait until next year and deal with the generator and the Lift Station this year.

Council Member Donovan stated that he would be in favor of replacing a pick up truck.

Council Member Bossone and Connolly suggested leaving the truck for now and revisit it later.

Water Sewer Capital

Mr. DeLorio stated that the four items listed are valve replacement, fire hydrants, and tools and equipment and they have been included in the water budget. He stated that the valve replacement and the fire hydrant replacement is done every year.

Other Items

Mr. DeLorio went over the down town tree replacement program which was discussed during the Shade Tree discussion. He wanted to know if the Governing Body wanted to take that initiative. He stated that there are some trees on Main Street that need to be replaced. He stated that he has put aside \$10,000 for the downtown area for the replacement of trees.

Mr. DeLorio went over the video system controller (Scheduler) that was requested when amounts to \$12,000. He stated that one suggestion was to share the cost with the School.

There was discussion on the video system controller and what it will be used for and the issues that need to be corrected in order to have a taping of the meetings that is acceptable.

It was suggested to put the \$12,000 on the Capital Plan and if it is not used then there is no problem.

Beach Capital Requests

Mr. DeLorio stated that the bathroom at the Beach garage was suggested for the Capital Plan. He stated that the bathroom would fall under the Beach Capital Plan.

There was discussion on the bathroom and what needs to be done.

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Council Member Donovan stated that he would be in favor of adding this to the Capital.

Council Member McCarthy suggested that this item stay in for now and then re-evaluate the relationship between the two and perhaps this could go into the beach capital.

Council Member Bossone stated that this would need to be moved upon because the main beach building does not have any facilities for lifeguards.

Council Member McCarthy stated that the eye-wash is important and the water source is very important and what is there needs to be improved.

Mr. DeLorio stated that there should be one more meeting to rap the budget up.

It was agreed that March 12, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. would be the next budget meeting date with introduction on the 19th of March.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Council Member Donovan made a motion to open the meeting up to the public, seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no comments, Council Member Bossone made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Council Member Connolly. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m., seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Ilaria

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Municipal Clerk

DATE APPROVED 6-18-12