

DECEMBER 16, 2013

Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council was convened at 8:23 p.m. on December 16, 2013 in Council Chambers of Borough Hall with Mayor George Dempsey presiding.

Mayor Dempsey stated that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975 and that notice was given to the Coast Star and the Asbury Park Press on December 4, 2012.

Mayor Dempsey welcomed the audience and invited them to join in a moment of silent prayer and a salute to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Council Members Bossone, Donovan, Mangan, Olivera and McCarthy

Absent: Council Members Sinneck

Also present was Borough Attorney Kevin Sheehy and Borough Administrator/CFO Joseph Delorio.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION  
351-2013**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

**WHEREAS**, a refund of monies are due to the following:

NAME: HYDROSCIENCE  
P.O. BOX 4978  
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754

AMOUNT OF REFUND DUE: \$800.00

REASON FOR REFUND: 1<sup>ST</sup> RETURN DEPOSIT #05/12  
93 COWART AVE

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in the said amount to the above listed refunds with said warrant to be charged against the General Ledger.

**RESOLUTION  
352-2013**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

**WHEREAS**, a refund of monies are due to the following:

NAME: DAVID THOMAS MCCANN  
17 LEXINGTON AVE  
TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY 08753

TRP#121- 116 First Ave  
AMOUNT OF REFUND DUE: \$500.00

NAME: J. GRIFFIN CONSTRUCTION LLC  
P.O. BOX 316  
SEA GIRT, NEW JERSEY 08750

TRP# 116- 81 Second Ave

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AMOUNT OF REFUND DUE: \$500.00

REASON FOR REFUND: Dumpster Security

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in the said amount to the above listed refunds with said warrant to be charged against the General Ledger.

**RESOLUTION  
353-2013**

**WHEREAS**, as a result of Super Storm Sandy, the Borough of Manasquan is desirous of adopting a policy for Encroachments on Borough Property; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, Monmouth County, New Jersey, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013 adopt the Borough of Manasquan Encroachment Guidelines

**RESOLUTION  
354-2013**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

**WHEREAS**, a refund of monies are due to the following:

BEACH EVENT SECURITY DEPOSIT:

NAME: SHOOGUN FITNESS  
19 PARK AVE  
HAWTHORNE, NJ 07506  
AMOUNT OF REFUND DUE: \$400.00

NAME: SCLERODERMA FOUNDATION  
385 KINGS HWY NORTH  
CHERRY PROFESSIONAL BLDG  
CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034  
AMOUNT OF REFUND DUE: \$400.00

NAME: THE SURFRIDER FOUNDATION  
P.O. BOX 760  
BELMAR, NJ 07719  
AMOUNT OF REFUND DUE: \$200.00

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in the said amount to the above listed refunds with said warrant to be charged against the General Ledger.

**RESOLUTION  
355-2013**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

**WHEREAS**, refunds for Tax Title Lien Redemptions for the following properties are due on the below described property in the amount designated as follows:

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BLOCK: 9 LOT: 23.05 NAME: Union Virginia, LLC  
PROPERTY LOCATION: 153 South Street  
AMOUNT: \$1,000.00

REASON FOR REFUND: Return of Premium Paid at Tax Sale Re: Redemption of TTL #10-00150  
REFUND CHECK TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO:

AVG SERVICE, INC  
114 ALBERMARLE RD APT E8  
BROOKLYN NY 11218-2339

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has certified that the current lien holder is entitled to the refund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in the said amount to the above listed property with said warrant to be charged against the General Ledger.

#### **RESOLUTION 356-2013**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

**WHEREAS**, refunds for Tax Title Lien Redemptions for the following properties are due on the below described property in the amount designated as follows:

BLOCK: 9 LOT: 23.05 NAME: Union Virginia, LLC  
PROPERTY LOCATION: 153 South St  
AMOUNT: \$17,529.64

REASON FOR REFUND: Redemption of TTL #10-00150

REFUND CHECK TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO:

AVG SERVICE, INC  
114 ALBERMARLE RD APT E8  
BROOKLYN NY 11218-2339

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has certified that the current lien holder is entitled to the refund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in the said amount to the above listed property with said warrant to be charged against the General Ledger.

#### **RESOLUTION 357-2013**

**WHEREAS** the Borough of Manasquan, NJ, has recently experienced several natural disasters which resulted in extensive damage and long-term power outages, and have highlighted the need for alternative, back-up government operations centers; and

**WHEREAS** immediately following Superstorm Sandy, the Borough of Manasquan municipal government utilized the DCI recreation building as a back-up government operations center and clothing distribution point, requiring the use of portable, gas-powered generators which proved to be both underpowered and required frequent fueling; and

**WHEREAS** the Office of Emergency Management has determined that a permanently-installed back-up power system at this the DCI building would greatly aid emergency government operations, and would qualify

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the building to be also utilized as a temporary shelter and food distribution point as designated in the municipal Emergency Operations Plan; and

**WHEREAS** the Borough of Manasquan has been an active participant in the hazard mitigation planning process, having a FEMA-approved plan in place since 2009, and as such is eligible to receive grant funding through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS** the Borough of Manasquan had applied for and has been provisionally awarded a \$25,000 grant allocation for the installation of an emergency power generator at the DCI building under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, pending final project approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and

**WHEREAS** this Hazard Mitigation Grant program is a 100 percent cost reimbursement grant, up to the total grant award, and as such the Borough would be responsible for the initial project costs and would be reimbursed by the Federal emergency Management Agency upon project completion; and

**WHEREAS** it is the recommendation of the Office of Emergency Management that the installation of a generator at the DCI building will significantly enhance municipal operations and local sheltering capabilities should the Borough be subject to another significant natural disaster, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Manasquan:

1. The Borough of Manasquan shall allocate \$25,000 in FY2014 towards the installation of a generator at the DCI building for use as a back-up operations center and shelter.
2. The Chief Financial Officer shall approve this expenditure only upon final approval and grant award by the Federal emergency Management Agency.
3. Any changes to the proposed scope of work and shall be subject to and contingent upon approval of the Municipal Administrator.
4. Any project costs exceeding \$25,000 would be the sole responsibility of the municipality, and as such shall be incurred only at the discretion and approval of the Borough Council, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such additional appropriations.
5. The Municipal Office of Emergency Management is hereby authorized to coordinate the management and administration of the project, and shall prepare all required submittals, agreements, financial reports and reimbursement requests to the State Office of Emergency Management as required.

**RESOLUTION  
358-2013**

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR TREE ELEVATION  
SERVICES AND EMERGENCY WORK IN THE BOROUGH OF  
MANASQUAN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, a Request For Quotes were requested and received pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5 et seq.) for Tree Elevation Services and Emergency Work; and

**WHEREAS**, four quotes for this service were received:

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Becker's Tree Service, Inc. | \$6,800.00  |
| Falkinburg Tree Experts     | \$12,150.00 |
| Rich Tree Services, Inc.    | \$21,700.00 |
| RT Davies Tree Service      | \$22,600.00 |

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer/Qualified Purchasing Agency has determined that the lowest responsive and responsible quote was submitted by Becker's Tree Service submitted a monetary quote in the amount of \$6,800.00

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Service Rate submitted by Becker's Tree Service is \$200.00 per hour; and

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**WHEREAS**, the quote by Becker's Tree Service complies with the quote specifications and includes all required documentation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council is desirous of awarding a contract to Becker's Tree Service in the amount of \$6,800.00 with Emergency Rate of \$200.00 per hour;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manasquan, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. This award is subject to the review and approval of the Manasquan Borough attorney
2. Subject to the above conditions, a contract in the amount of \$6,800 with Emergency Rate of \$200.00 per hour is awarded to Becker's Tree Service for this project.
3. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents to effectuate a contract with Becker's Tree Service.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to:

Becker's Tree Service  
3306 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07753

### **RESOLUTION 359-2013**

**WHEREAS**, N. J. S. A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Manasquan has additional monies from the State of New Jersey Body Armor Replacement Program and wishes to amend its 2013 Budget to include this additional amount as revenue.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the current budget of the year 2013 in the sum of \$2,440.81 which is now available as revenue from:

#### **Miscellaneous Revenues**

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent  
of the Director of Local Government Services:

Public and Private Revenues Off-Set with the appropriations:  
State Body Armor Replacement Fund Program Fund

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$2,440.81 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations  
Operations excluded from "PUBLIC AND PRIVATE" programs Off Set by Revenues:  
State Body Armor Replacement Program Fund

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Clerk forward two copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services

### **RESOLUTION 360-2013**

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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN,  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
OPPOSING SENATE BILL S2601 WHICH PERMITS  
FIFTH AND SIXTH CLASS COUNTIES TO ASSUME  
CONTROL AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATION  
AND MAINTENANCE OF BEACHES BORDING THE  
ATLANTIC OCEAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable New Jersey State Senator Bob Smith, Chairman of the Senate Environmental and Energy Committee, as primary sponsor has introduced into the current session of the New Jersey State Senate Bill S2601 which, "Permits fifth and sixth class counties to assume control and responsibility for operation and maintenance of beaches bordering the Atlantic Ocean"; and

**WHEREAS**, S2601 "would authorize counties of the fifth and sixth classes (Atlantic, Monmouth, Ocean and Cape May counties) to assume the control and responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the beaches that border the Atlantic Ocean within each county; and

**WHEREAS**, S2601 authorizes a county to:

- "Establish a uniform beach fee and beach tag system within the county;
- To establish a uniform policy with respect to beach improvement, maintenance, and dune construction for the protection of properties near the beach;
- To realize economies of scale by dealing with the maintenance and operation of all the beaches within the county through one entity"; and

**WHEREAS**, S2601 "requires the operation of the beaches (to) constitute a public utility of the county and the bill also provides counties that assume the control of beaches with the exception to the 2.5% cap on increases to final appropriations of the previous year for expenditures relating to the operation and maintenance of the county-controlled beaches"; and

**WHEREAS**, the operations of the beaches in the Borough of Manasquan which S2601 proposes to place under control of the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, has been and is at present, under control and responsibility of the citizens of the Borough of Manasquan by way of their duly elected officials of the governing body's exercise of office; and

**WHEREAS**, said operation of the beaches of the Borough of Manasquan provides a high level of quality services through an equitable cost sharing between taxpayers and beach users which has kept the cost of the beach operations in the Borough of Manasquan affordable for all citizens and visitors to the Borough of Manasquan; and

**WHEREAS**, a shift of responsibility for and control of the beaches bordering the Atlantic Ocean from the local governing unit to the government of the County of Monmouth would have an immediate negative impact on both the taxpayers of the County of Monmouth and those who enjoy the beach in-so-far as the level of service at the current cost will not be able to be maintained with a county operation of the beaches; an increase in beach badge fees in the Borough of Manasquan as costs for the operation/maintenance is assumed by a uniform fee which on average will be higher than the current beach fees; and through an increase in county tax as a result of the exception to the 2.5% cap on increases in final appropriations as the county government attempts to create and pay for an increased level of expenses in a time of reduced property values as a result of the economy and Super Storm Sandy.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Governing Body of the Borough of Manasquan, Monmouth County, State of New Jersey find that they are categorically opposed to S2601 and respectfully request that S2601 be immediately removed from consideration by the esteemed body of New Jersey Senate; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted to Governor Chris Christie, Senate President Stephen Sweeney, Senator Bob Smith Chairman Environmental and Energy Committee, Senator Christopher J. Connors 9<sup>th</sup> District, Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, each municipality of Monmouth, Ocean, Atlantic and Cape May counties that border the Atlantic Ocean, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

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**RESOLUTION  
361-13**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the following transfer in the 2013 Budget be authorized:

**CURRENT FUND**

|                                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| TO:                                |                    |
| Office of Emergency Management S/W | \$ 1,000.00        |
| Municipal Prosecutor O/E           | <u>200.00</u>      |
| Total                              | \$ 1,200.00        |
| FROM:                              |                    |
| Utilities O/E                      | \$ <u>1,200.00</u> |
| Total                              | \$ 1,200.00        |

**RESOLUTION  
362-2013**

**BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, IN THE County of Monmouth, New Jersey (not less than three (3) members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

1. All bills or claims as reviewed and approved by the Administration & Finance Committee and as set forth in this Resolution are hereby approved for payment.
2. The Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to sign checks in payment of bills and claims which are hereby approved.

The computer print-out of the list of checks will be on file in the Clerk's Office.

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Current Fund             | 103,874.91 |
| Water/Sewer Fund         | 28,993.91  |
| Beach Fund               | 10,496.43  |
| General Capital Fund     | 147,466.84 |
| Water/Sewer Capital Fund | 86,702.00  |
| Beach Capital Fund       | 728.75     |

Council Member Donovan made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Council Member Mangan. Motion carried by the following vote; "yes" Council Member Bossone, Donovan, Mangan, Olivera, and McCarthy. "No" none.

**ORDINANCES**

The Borough Attorney read the title of ordinance 2146-13 for first reading and introduction.

**ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 22-2 (BASE WATER AND SEWER  
SERVICE RATE) AND 22-3 (WATER AND SEWER USAGE CHARGE) OF  
CHAPTER 22, WATER AND SEWER UTILITY OF THE REVISED GENERAL  
ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO INCREASE WATER AND SEWER RATES AND**

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**USAGE CHARGES IN THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, COUNTY OF  
MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

Council Member Mangan made a motion to introduce ordinance 2146-13, seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried by the following vote; "yes" Council Member Bossone, Donovan, Mangan, Olivera, and McCarthy, "no" none.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Municipal Clerk requested that minutes for the September 3, 2013 meeting be put on the next scheduled council meeting.

August 19, 2013 Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes (absent none)

Council Member Mangan made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried unanimously.

**YEAR END COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Public Safety and Recycling Committee – Council Member McCarthy reported that it was a safe year from a public safety perspective as there were no significant injuries to any members of the police department. He stated that it was a challenging year for most departments and the entire borough recovered from the storm. He thanked Chief Correia for his leadership as well as Lt. Bauer for leading the police department through these difficult and changing times. He reported that Shannon Brown will graduate this Thursday and the Borough will have its first full time female police officer and the police department will be up to the full capacity. He reported that the numbers were down for the police department and overall in the total violations summonses were down about 10% from 2012 pre-storm which is a difference in about 887 violations. He advised that some of that might be good as people might behaving themselves but he thinks that the reality is to rethink and evaluate the staffing needs, how the loss of some group rentals might be affecting the public safety perspective for the Borough, reallocate and perhaps reduce some employees since the rentals are not there. He reported that the planning board had a busy year and they met twice a month throughout the year. He advised that in February the height restrictions were set for the beach area and he believes that there was significant number of application filed and that they realized that the planning board would be enforcing the new height restrictions.

Public Property & Parks Committee – Council Member Olivera thanked Joe Delorio, Barbara Ilaria and the staff for their dedication and cooperation during his first year as committee chair and he thanked Mark Kitrick, Borough Attorney for his assistance, Borough Engineer Charley Rooney for making his committee reports very easy but also his flexibility to focus on borough tasks, Tom Nicastro and staff for all their work in the parks, in our buildings and property all year. Lastly, he thanked his committee members Council Member Bossone and Mangan for their hard work, insight and team work. He reported on the work that is done annual to the parks by the DPW to maintain them such as tree trimming, stump removal, weeding, spreading mulch, and painting. He reported that there were two (2) parks that had significant work done, Skokos Park and Mac's Pond. He reported that Skokos Park was beautified by Eagle Scout projects and Mac's Pond had a lot of DPW work post Sandy to fix or replace equipment that was damaged, repair the fountain, eliminated a board to control the flow of the water to keep it from being stagnant, and the committee is reviewing some property rights to the pedestrian bridge. He reported that the SBLSS was damaged by the storm and the roof has been replaced with approval from the State Historic Preservation Office and the inside damage was limited the basement and first floor. He advised that a bid was recently approved by the State and the bid opening will be this Thursday for the remediation of the SBLSS. He reported that Borough Hall based on Super Storm Sandy was determined that a new larger generator was needed and the old generator will be relocated to public works. He reported that with the approval of a CDBG the doors at Borough Hall will be replaced with ADA compliant doors. He reported that the DCI building continued to house many activities through recreation and badge sales this year and that several repairs were made including the roof, several windows and the painting was done Jersey Cares. He reported that all boat slips were leased in 2013 and boat dock renovations and revitalization continues to be top on the committee's agenda and they are looking into a long term strategy for Perrine and Fourth Avenue and the DPW continues to repair sunken areas and the town made significant repairs at Perrine and Fourth Avenue. He reported that the committee has reviewed many issues and requests concerning the use of borough property ranging from bi-degradable balloon releases, events serving alcohol on the beaches to farmers markets. He



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reported that two (2) subcommittees were created which involved parks and public property and were tasked to review standardized requirements for use of borough property either beach or other for temporary home storage, they also looked at regulations for securing homes that were viewed as potentially dangerous along the beachfront based on storm damage and the existing ordinances were reviewed and it was determined that the Borough could take action based on the dangerous situation of the homes. He stated that in summation the committee was very active post Sandy and he is hoping that the committee in 2014 will be able to change gears and focus proactively on borough assets instead of reactively.

Administration & Finance Committee – Council Member Mangan updated the council on the RFP process for the Borough Engineer. For his year end report he thanked Council Members McCarthy and Simneck for being on the committee and doing a fantastic job and help weed through the issues of finance post Sandy. He also thanked Barbara Ilaria and her staff for a great job post storm in the Clerk's office making sure that everything that the office does is handled well as they always do and they did a fantastic job under additional stress and pressure this year. He thanked Joe Delorio the Administrator/CFO as he wears two hats and as CFO he has assessed, auditor, and a bunch of other functions related to finance that he oversees and does a great job with and the administration side was no fun either but there was help from a new hire of Kevin Thompson earlier in the year and Donna Phelps who is still here who has been fantastic dealing with FEMA and insurance issues. He stated that it is the least thankful committee as usually there is something to show but finance is just the budget. He reported that prior to the storm Manasquan was on a path to dramatically reduce its debt over the next 10 years, obviously, Sandy through a wrench into that and the Borough is still trying to assess exactly how big of a wrench it threw into the works and some of this will not be known until FEMA and insurance work is completed. He reported that with the Sandy cleanup came major costs, expenses, lost revenue as you can hear from other departments and the approach to deal with the storm was two fold financially, allocate what resources are necessary to insure a full and speedy recovery and seek to lessen the overall financial impact of the storm on the taxpayers this year and future years. He advised that he believes that the 2013 budget accomplished that goal and the 2014 budget will be more difficult to accomplish that goal they will try just as hard if not harder. He stated that they understand the magnitude of the impact of those hit by the storm and they feel the frustration of those not directly hit who now have to help bear the costs of the clean up and this will be a long haul for a lot of us and again the committee and the council is committed to making this as inexpensive of a clean up as possible. He reported that he appreciates the assistance of the utilities supervisors mainly the beach and the water/sewer utilities, Ed and Joe and the committee appreciates your efforts to help control costs in those areas that was certainly not an easy task this year. He stated that he has really enjoyed working with each and every one of council and the staff, and department heads as it was a trying year for everybody this year and he looks forward to working with everyone again next year.

Public Works Committee – Council Member Donovan advised that in 2013 a long time public works employee, John Nielson who was a handy person to have and it is a great loss to the Borough. He reported that for the better part of the first half of the year public works was involved in Sandy clean up, cleaning out storm drains, working with FEMA and Ashbritt, making sure that people could get around in town after the storm. He reported that the Squan Plaza Project has been started and hopefully will be completed by spring of 2014 and in an effort to resolve water quality problems in several areas of town the Borough replaced water mains in the Willow Way area and awarded the contract for the replacements on Ridge Avenue. He reported that the Borough also completed infrastructure repair projects on Warren Avenue, Perrine Blvd., and Blakey Avenue this year. He thanked Joe Delorio, Barbara Ilaria and her staff, Tom Nicastro, entire public works department, police department, finance office, code department office as it was a very busy year. He reported that the Environmental Commission sponsored paper shredding events, rain barrel events, home composting, stream monitoring, beach sweeps and thermal energy program. He reported that the Manasquan Seniors continue to provide recreational and social activities for the senior citizens throughout the year and the Recreation Commission ran very successful programs such as biddy basketball, rec summer program, flag football, soccer, etc. He reported that the Cable Advisory Committee was able to record and broadcast the MBIA candidates forum this year for the first time and they are looking for volunteers so that they can record more next year.

Beach Committee – Council Member Bossonne thanked his Council Member Donovan and Olivera for their work on the committee. He reported that the committee has met more this year then he has in his other 4 years combined with beach meetings. He reported that it was a very challenging year at the beach with not knowing what to expect for badge sales and bad weather for Memorial day into June and did not get off to a good start

and although strong sales in July and August coupled with good weather left the summer pretty much flat instead of progressively declining which was anticipated to happen. He reported that the committee met in early January with one goal in mind to repair and rebuild the beach enough to be able to open by Memorial Day and this goal was accomplished on May 23, 2013 when the Lt. Governor joined the Borough for an official ribbon cutting reopening Manasquan Beaches. He reported that the projects included the Inlet bathroom and gazebo, Brielle bathroom, Ocean Avenue bathroom, Riddleway gazebo, sifting of the sand, rebuilding the beach walkway and lighting, fixing the beach garage, buying new equipment and vehicles, and rebuilding the parking lots. He reported that out of \$7.4 million bond they used \$2.4 million to accomplish all of this work. He also reported that in addition the Borough took over the Sea Watch Parking Lot and Lockers, and the food concession which took some time transferring a private business to a borough operation and for the first time there was a mobile food truck at Sea Watch beach. He reported that the non-profit Wall Cares set up a beach restoration fund to accept donations to help rebuild and with those donations the Borough has been able to purchase a flag pole and a sign at the beach headquarters, swing sets for the beach, and that the MBIA has donated a swing set also. He advised that Jersey Cares has made two appearances over the summer to help with repairs, rebuilding and painting and they provided volunteers and supplies. He reported that he had the honor of getting to know the Engel family as the Sandy Ground Project specifically Olivia's playground made its way to Elks Beach and he thanked the NJ FMBA for including the Borough in their project. He advised that there was a ground breaking ceremony kicking off the Army Corp Beach Restorations Project in November and they are about half way done in Manasquan which would restore the beach to the 1996 template. He reported that because of ongoing vandalism there will be a camera surveillance system installed. He reported that the beach headquarters building was contractually to be finished on May 23 the Borough has yet to take possession of it. He reported that the Governor's campaign Stronger Than the Storm made a stop on the beach in July with a day of games and activities. He reported that there was a loss of about 20% in revenues compared to last year and that half way through the season, with the help of the Finance Committee, cuts were made in the beach budget which in turn resulted in adjustments to the staffing and purchasing. He was also concerned about might be in the ocean from the storm or washed up during the storm and he advised that there was no encounters to speak of and the ocean seemed cleaner then in the past years. He reported that work will continue throughout the winter on projects including the Third Avenue parking lot and sifting the pile of sand that is at the beach garage and he is looking forward to the summer of 2014. He reported that currently the parking passes for pre-season sales have been sold out and more will be on sale in April.

Council Member Olivera asked if he could add something to his reported and that is that the red flags are up at Mac's Pond and please do not go on the ice until the green flags are up.

#### AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

Lee Esposito, son owns a home at 46 Second Avenue he thanked the Borough staff as his mother passed away a year ago and donations were coordinated for the Beach Restoration Fund. He stated that he apologizes for bringing this issue to the board but he needs get a resolution to the problem. He advised the council of a situation that has occurred with his son's neighbor and he went over the issues and the steps that he has taken through the code enforcement and the police. He wants a red flag on the property until relief is received from homeowner.

There was discussion on the issues and what has been done by the town already.

Council Member McCarthy advised that there is a program through the Municipal Court for a neighbor dispute but there are no violations that would warrant a shut down of the construction through the code department.

Mr. Delorio stated that he will look into the situation and the UCC code and he will make a report to council and Mr. Esposito.

Mark Apostolu, 15 Cherry Place thanked the council for the outstanding jobs that have been done this year and when he says you he means the entire borough. He stated that every employee that he has worked with in the past and throughout other years has been outstanding. He stated that he is very proud of each and every one of you as everyone has set aside personal agendas during the year and the heroic job and seeing to the needs of each person and he is also so proud to have seen everyone come together in a time of need.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Council Member Mangan. Motion carried unanimously.

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Council Member Mangan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m., seconded by Council Member Olivera. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*B. Olivera*

Barbara J. Olivera  
Municipal Clerk

**DATE APPROVED** 1-6-14