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A Work Session Meeting of Mayor and Council was convened at 7:00 p.m. on December 17, 2012 in Council Chambers of Borough Hall with Mayor 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 7, 2011.

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

Absent: Mangan

Also present was Borough Attorney Mark Kitrick and Borough Administrator/CFO Joseph DeIorio.

ITEM #1: Request from Gee Gee's Contractor to Work Outside of Ordinance

Council Member McCarthy made a motion to approve the extended work hours from Monday to Saturday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. through the end of February, seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried by the following vote; "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Jacobson, and McCarthy, "no" none.

ITEM #2: Acknowledge and Accept Tax Collector's November Report

Council Member Connolly made a motion to acknowledge and accept tax collectors report, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #3: Acknowledge and Accept Resignation of Ron Gaffney from Recreation

Council Member Donovan made a motion to acknowledge and accept resignation, seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #4: Request for Mobile Home on Property – 566 Trout Avenue

There was discussion on the difference between RV and Mobile Home and that it would be completely on his property and the tracking of RVs so they don't pop up all over town without permission.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to approve the request until April 1, 2013, seconded by Council Member Connolly. Motion carried by the following vote; "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Jacobson, and McCarthy, "no" none.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to develop a policy for the parking of RV/Mobile Homes on properties for storm damaged properties to expire on April 1, 2013, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #5: Hurricane Recovery

- Update

Mr. DeIorio updated the council and audience on the recovery process and the need for the ordinances listed for first reading and introduction at tonight's meeting.

- Presentation of Hurricane Sandy Recovery & Protection Plan

Mr. DeIorio presented the Hurricane Sandy Recovery and Protection Plan to council and residents. He stated that all departments met to find out what was affected, if there were any shortcomings, to better prepare for the recovery and planning for the future. He stated that one of the goals was to determine the amounts to be received by insurance and FEMA to rebuild the most cost effective means possible. He continued with his presentation to council and residents. He reported that the approximate cost to return the beach to full operations is approximately \$7,366,650 and that does not include any

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reimbursements that will be received from FEMA or insurance proceeds. He went over some of the water/sewer and public works department damages. He reported that the approximate cost for repairs and upgrades would be \$782,198.53. He went over the code enforcement activities after the storm and the issues that faced the employees working at the Recreation Building (DCI) and the issues that faced the Borough Hall without power. He advised that the approximate cost would be \$66,000 which would not be covered by FEMA. He went over the options for financing projects. He went over OEM's list of what was damaged by the storm and the approximate cost is \$177,000. He went over the damage to borough property and buildings.

Mr. DeLorio went over what an ordinance does and does not due for clarification to the council and the audience and the process for approval.

There was discussion on the debt and budget of the Borough.

ITEM #6: Unemployment Benefits - Discussion

Mr. DeLorio stated that there was an initiative from the State Legislature to try and curtail the unemployment benefits for non full time employees since they are not full time employees. He stated that unemployment benefits are granted to individuals that earn over \$7,500 or 20 weeks worth of pay. He reported that this is not creating a hardship for the borough because there are increases in unemployment insurance benefit payouts. He went over the reasons for the increase in these benefits to the Borough. He reported that the borough is taking an aggressive approach to appealing each and every one of the requests.

ITEM #7: Review of Resolutions for Consideration at the Regular Meeting

Mayor Dempsey asked if council had any questions on the resolutions that are on the agenda for the regular meeting. There were no questions from council.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

There being none, Council Member Bossone made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to suspend the work session, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.

The closed session portion of the minutes begins on the next page. The signature and approval date are located on the last page following the closed session meeting minutes.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to close the work session meeting at 9:30 p.m., seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.