

FEBRUARY 7, 2011

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

Mayor Dempsey stated that all resolutions and ordinances being considered at this meeting are available for the public to view on the front desk.

Mayor Dempsey related 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 21, 2010.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee, Lucas, and McCarthy

Absent : None

Also present was Borough Attorney James Kinneally and Borough Administrator/CFO Joseph DeIorio

**Item #1 Use of Borough Property**

\*MS Coast the Coast Bike Ride – May 21 and 22, 2011

Council Member Connolly made a motion to approve this event, seconded by Council Member Lee. Roll Call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

\*Manasquan Recreation Fool's Run April 2, 2011

Council Member Lucas made a motion to approve this event, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Roll Call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**Item #2 Acknowledge Tax Collector's Monthly report and Quarterly COAH Administrative Fees**

Council Member Connolly made a motion to accept the tax Collector's Monthly report and Quarterly COAH Administrative fees, seconded by Council Member Donovan. Roll Call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**ITEM #3 Council Meeting date change from February 21 to 22, 2011**

Council Member Donovan made a motion to approve the date change, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Roll Call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dempsey advised that the Coast Star and the Website will be notified to post the change.

**ITEM #4 Review of Resolutions for Consideration at the Regular Meeting**

Mayor Dempsey asked if there were any questions on the resolutions that are on the Consent Agenda.

Council Member Connolly inquired about the fee exemption for the First Aid for permit fees.

Mayor Dempsey advised that this is a Manasquan Ordinance where the First Aid and Fire Companies are exempt for the first \$500 of permit fees. He also advised that the volunteers must have responded to a certain percentage of calls. He advised that this also goes for the Beach Badge fees and Parking Passes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Public Works Committee - Council Member Donovan reported that if there is any damage caused by Public Works during the snow storm to advise public works and they

will fix it after the snow has melted. He advised that Christmas trees will be picked up until February 25, 2011. He advised that the Water Treatment Plant has slowed down due to the weather and electronics will not be picked up by the disposal company anymore so there is an electronic bin at the recycling center. He advised that Miller Preston Way was cleared of snow and that Mr. Nicastro and Mr. Keynton both attended a class in Trenton for essential employees. He advised that all public works employees will be provided identification cards which will allow them to be on the roads during a State of Emergency. He advised that the exterior lights at the DCI building have been fixed.

Public Property & Parks Committee - Council Member McCarthy reported that the Manasquan Tourism Commission had their first meeting of the year and that this year is the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Tourism Commission. He stated there are 2 members that have been there since inception and they are Ray Summers and Dominic Bossone. He thanked them for all their support and that Ray Summers has been elected as the Chairman for the 18<sup>th</sup> year in a row. He stated that Ray Summers puts in countless hours for Tourism and that he numbers each candy cane for the Candy Cane hunt. He reported that there are many events planned for the year and that next year is the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Manasquan and they are starting to get other groups involved and Tourism is looking to have another boat parade at the Inlet.

Beach Committee - Council Member Lee reported that committee met and they had a budget review. He advised that the Board of Education is putting together their budget and that the school election is April. He advised that the school is looking to renovate the fields and there have been some preliminary meetings and discussions.

Public Safety & Recycling Committee – Council Member Lucas reported that the Chief and Captain are already in the process of setting up the summer schedule for the police department and the specials in order to maintain the quality of life within our community during the summer months.

Mayor Dempsey stated that he attended the DARE Program at St. Denis and that Officer Stopera is doing a great job and he would like Council Member Lucas to forward that message to the Chief and Captain.

Finance & Administration Committee – Council Member Connolly reported that the committee reviewed and signed the bills in the amount of \$4,721,036.18 which bills are on the desk in the front for the public to review. She advised that \$1.5 million went to county taxes and \$2 million for school taxes. She went over a BAN in the amount of \$500,000 from Provident Bank. She advised that this Saturday will be the last budget meeting at 9 a.m. She stated that the tax bill consists of 4 components Municipal, Board of Education, County, and Fire District. She advised that the fire district has notified the Borough that there will not be an increase in their taxes.

Law & Code Committee - Council Member Grasso reported the revenues as of January 2010 the revenues for the code department were \$17,928 compared to last year of \$7,884, which is a plus of \$10,044. He advised that there is a lot of construction in town in all districts and complimented the Code Department for getting the permits processed in a timely manner. He advised that he does not have any court fees as of this date to report. He stated that he would like to sit down with the Administrator, Superintendent of Public Works, and Council Member Lucas with regards to the snow removal ordinance. He stated that he is hoping to get the Taxi Ordinance on the agenda for the next meeting of February 22, 2011 for a vote. He advised that it has been consolidated. He stated that he would like to defer to Council Member McCarthy with regards to the Dog Ordinance.

Council Member McCarthy reported that Council Member Grasso and himself have been discussing the dog ordinance. He stated that there are many dog owners in town and there are some concerns with dogs on the beach, in parks, and owners not picking up after their pets. He reported that the committee would like to sit down with the administrator and go over ways to enforce the ordinance better.

Mayor Dempsey stated that for the Snow Emergency Meeting OEM, must be included.

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## **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

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

There being no comments from the audience,

Council Member Connolly made a motion to close the audience participation, seconded by Council Member McCarthy.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to adjourn the work session at 7:20, seconded by Council Member Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to close the work session at 8:55 p.m., 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.