

September 26, 2011

A Work Session Meeting of Mayor and Council was convened at 7:00 p.m. on September 26, 2011 in Council Chambers of Borough Hall with Mayor Dempsey presiding.

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, Lee, Lucas, and McCarthy

Absent: Grasso

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

ITEM #1 Use of Portable Stage by Wall Police Dept., soap Box Derby – 10/15/2011

Council Member Lucas made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #2 Best Practice Inventory - Discussion

Mr. Delorio went over the 2011 Best Practices Worksheet which was distributed to the Council Members. He advised that this worksheet needed to be distributed to the Council and listed as an agenda item for discussion per the DLGS.

ITEM #3 Website E-mail Blasts – Update

Mr. Delorio advised that there 1,064 people signed up for the e-bulletin. He stated that the web host notified the Borough that based on his projections the Borough might exceed the threshold of 100,000 e-mails sent in the contract year. He advised that this is a cost after the 100,000 e-mail which is one cent per e-mail after that.

ITEM #4 Computer Upgrades – Update

Mr. Delorio advised that the computers are being upgraded and that the Borough had an ordinance passed in 2008 for Technology Upgrades which included computers. He advised that the Borough's IT Company will be lending an Ipad to Council Member McCarthy to see how this would work and to start moving forward to go green and paperless.

ITEM #5 Phone System – Follow up

Mr. Delorio advised the council that the phone system that the Borough has currently is 10 to 15 years old. He advised the council that there were 3 vendors that the Borough received quotes from and the capability of the phones. He went over the issues that the current phone system has and the need to upgrade as well as the use of an emergency notification system associated with the new phone system. He went over the features of the new phone system, cost, and savings by switching carriers.

Council Member Lucas made a motion to have the documents drawn up for the next meeting to purchase the phone system, seconded by Council Member Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #6 Solid Waste and Recycling Bids

Mr. Delorio stated that the Public Safety & Recycling Committee met to discuss this agenda item and the details will be discussed in closed session.

ITEM #7 Post Hurricane Irene Report

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Mr. DeLorio stated that there was a post Hurricane Irene debriefing meeting on September 21, 2011 and there was discussion on the positives, improvements, and some other issues. He stated that he has a written report and if Council would like a copy he has them available. He went over what was discussed at the meeting. He stated that permit fees were waived for flood damaged items. He went over the special needs residents and what should be done in the future if there is an evacuation. He went over the need for a generator at Borough Hall which would cover the entire Borough Hall Building. He went over the need for other items which would have helped during and after the storm. He advised that the appropriate forms have been submitted to FEMA for reimbursement. He advised that reimbursement would be at 75% of eligible costs.

ITEM #8 Life Saving Station Renovation – Update

Mr. DeLorio stated that there was an outstanding issue with the Life Saving Station with the flooring. He advised that the floor issue is now being remedied with new flooring being installed. He advised that there will be a resolution at the next meeting closing out the project. He went over some issues of leaks at the Life Saving Station.

ITEM #9 Review of Resolutions for Consideration at the Regular Meeting.

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

There being no questions or comments Council Member McCarthy made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Council Member Donovan. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Connolly made a motion to close the work session meeting at 9:20 p.m., seconded by Council Member Lee. 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.