

BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
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A Work Session Meeting of the Manasquan Mayor and Council was held on March 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of Borough Hall.

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 22, 2009.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee, Lucas .

Also present was Borough Attorney James Kinneally and Borough Administrator John Trengrove.

Absent: None.

APPOINTMENTS: 7:00 p.m. Borough Auditor - Mr. Allen Shechter.

Mayor Dempsey related that he will not support any cuts that will involve the safety or the welfare of Manasquan nor will he support any furloughs or layoffs as we proceed with this budget reduction process.

Mr. Trengrove related that the Borough will be losing \$128,773 in state aid. He related that the Borough is \$80,000 over the CAP Calculation.

Mr. Shechter explained the impact of losing the State aid on the CAPS. He related that although the actual tax burden has been reduced, the Borough is \$84,500 over the spending levy. He related that it is currently 2.13 cents or a 6.5 percent increase.

Mr. Trengrove related that after analyzing the tipping fees for 2009 it appears that this line item can be reduced by \$25,000.00.

Council Member Connolly asked if the opt-out health benefits totaling \$156,800.00 have been eliminated from the budget.

Mr. Trengrove related the reduction was based upon the law which should be passed in June. He noted that employees have the option to opt back into the medical insurance plan in which case the Borough will lose money instead of saving money.

Council Member Connolly related that the opt-out is not mandatory and suggested eliminating opt-out all together which would save the Borough \$156,000.00. She related that a provision should be included in the health care plan that no employee can receive a duplication of benefits. She related that it is irresponsible and unfair to the taxpayers. She related that this is non-existent in any of the industries that she has been in and no one gets paid for not taking health benefits.

Mr. Trengrove related that it is common in the public sector and that it is allowed by law. He related to Council Member Connolly that the Borough's labor counsel had previously advised her that it is a negotiable item and that the Borough cannot just take it away. He related that the ability to opt back in for medical insurance coverage is covered under collective bargaining.

There was continued discussion regarding this matter.

Council Member Connolly asked if the Borough has to let them have double coverage.

Mr. Trengrove replied affirmatively unless the law changes.

Mr. Shechter related that the whole idea of the opt-out plan was to save the Borough money.

Mr. Trengrove suggested discussing this matter in closed session since it might lead to litigation.

Council Member Connolly related that the Flex-benefits also has to be looked at, in particular, for the managerial staff. She related that they should look at how much they can save on the

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managerial and supervisors. She related that non-essentials also need to be eliminated. She related that the Borough spent \$1,862.00 for bottled water and that the public should not be paying for it.

There was some discussion about how much the budget should be reduced by and other budget related issues.

Council Member Connolly asked Mr. Shechter how much would he recommend taking out of surplus.

Mr. Shechter related that if \$60,000 was used some of it could be put back.

Council Member Connolly asked if 1 cent of assessed value or \$160,000.00 could be used from it.

Mr. Shechter related that would equal \$200,000.00 and that it would be too much.

Council Member Connolly asked why since it is the people's money.

Mr. Trengrove related that next year's rate will be 4 percent on whatever this year's budget is so if it is reduced, it will be limiting the budget. He related that it could put the Borough in a bad position next year. He related that it would be difficult for the Borough to catch up.

Council Member Connolly related that there are so many potential changes coming and noted that the residents will get hit at the school and county levels too. She related that it is her goal to keep the taxes the same as last year. She asked if we can live within last year's budget.

Mayor Dempsey related that last year was an exceptional year since the Borough had a CFO and two DPW employees retire which accumulated a savings of over \$50,000 which the Borough will not have this year.

Mayor Dempsey related that he would support taking \$60,000 out of surplus but not an additional \$160,000.

Council Member Connolly related that the unanticipated revenue is unknown, for example the Cable Television fee.

Mr. Shechter related that he budgeted the correct amount that was received from Cable Television into the budget.

Council Member Connolly related that she would like to take as much as possible out of surplus.

Mayor Dempsey asked if she is referring to a \$60,000 reduction.

Council Memembr Connolly related that she would like to take more than \$60,000.00.

Mayor Dempsey related that he will not support taking more than \$60,000.00 because it will harm the municipality in the following years.

Council Member Connolly elated that the expenses in the salary and wages will have to be reduced and that the Governing Body will have to consider furloughs.

Mayor Dempsey related that he will not support furloughs.

Mayor Dempsey and Council Member Connolly continued to discuss this matter.

Mayor Dempsey related that services should be reduced instead of laying someone off.

Council Member Connolly related that we are not talking about laying someone off but furloughing them.

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Mayor Dempsey related that either way they are not getting paid.

Council Member Connolly related that at least they have their benefit coverage.

Mayor Dempsey related that they cannot eat their benefits.

Council Member Connolly related that benefits are better than nothing. She related that we can ask the employees to chip in instead of going back and burdening the tax payers.

Council Member Lee asked if the additional \$25,000 that was budgeted for overtime due to the retirement of Patrolman Gillespie could be revisited.

Mr. Trengrove related that area can be revised because it was based on a lot of assumptions just like the snow removal budget which the Borough had to add an additional \$25,000 to because of the recent snow storms. He related that if that line item goes over the money has to be transferred from another line item or has to be budgeted as an additional line item in the following year's budget.

Council Member Connolly asked if there is anything that can be passed onto the beach budget.

Mr. Trengrove related that the State and the Public Advocate allow the Borough to take indirect costs from the beach budget as long as they can be justified. He asked Council Member Connolly if she had something in mind.

Mayor Dempsey related that he does not see how that can be done since a certain amount of money is needed to run the Beach Department.

Mr. Trengrove explained that the costs must show that the beach budget was supported.

Council Member Connolly reminded Mr. Trengrove that the beach badges were increased this year.

Mr. Trengrove related that just because the badges were increased doesn't mean that the Borough can justify the amount charged to the operation of the utility.

Council Member Lucas pointed out that the summer weather is unknown and that bad weather may have a negative impact on the Beach Department.

Mr. Trengrove briefly reviewed costs that are charged to the Beach Utility budget.

Council Member Grasso related that we've been talking about this for about an hour and all I'm hearing is walls. He asked what can we do to get creative to get this budget in line and save the taxpayers money. He related that he doesn't hear any creativity.

Mr. Trengrove related that prior Council's have reduced this budget to the point that there isn't any excess in it. He related that the budget is down to an amount that if reductions are made, operations and services will be affected. He related that he does not know if this is the direction that Council wants to go in. For example, he asked if any member of the Governing Body wants to reduce the number of Special Officers that are deployed at the beach.

Council Member Grasso related that those areas should be looked at.

Mr. Trengrove related that beginning the first Saturday of January the department heads attended the budget meetings and every line item was discussed.

Council Member Grasso related that revenue can be looked at also. He related that an ordinance regulating taxi cabs can be adopted which will generate revenue. He asked how do we start generating revenue to supporting our departments and budgets so that they are not in the red.

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Mr. Trengrove suggested going to user fees where the people that generate the need for a service will pay for it.

Council Member Grasso related that he has changed the oil in his truck three times and noted that he hasn't done this since he was 30.

Mr. Shechter related that with the figures that he has the budget will be \$5,473,000.00 which is a 3.418 cent increase and 4.86 percentage increase or about \$20.00 per quarter per \$500,000 home.

Council Member Lee asked if he recalls the last time the borough had to dip into the surplus because a critical need was exhibited.

Mayor Dempsey related that he believes that occurred in 1989.

Mr. Shechter related that the Borough generates a lot of revenue including the franchise agreements and noted that the Borough has a high tax collection rate. He related that the assessments have increased also.

Council Member Connolly asked if there is a State law that mandates that the Borough maintain a certain amount in their surplus.

Mr. Shechter related that there is not but that by the Borough using \$1,000,000.00 from surplus it saves the taxpayers up about 12 cents or 25 percent increase in taxes.

Council Member Grasso asked what the \$1,000,000.00 in surplus that was used last year was spent on.

Mr. Shechter related that \$1,100,000.00 was used for debt reduction to the taxpayers by reducing the amount that had to be raised by taxes.

There was a great deal of discussion regarding the use of surplus for tax relief.

Mr. Shechter related that the Borough's tax rate is low and although the percentage may seem high the actual amount is low. For example, a 4.5 increase only equals a 1 ½ cents where in another municipality a 2 percent increase may equal 24 cents. He related that the percentage seems so high because the tax rate has been so low.

There was some discussion regarding whether or not the Governing Body has lived up to their word that they would keep taxes down.

Council Member Connolly related that it is easy to say, "let's raise taxes" and it is much harder to say "let's reduce the expense side" and start to reduce the expense side. She related that if we have to go and get some of this money back from our employees – we should do that on behalf of the taxpayers.

Council Member Donovan related that it is not easy to say "let's just raise taxes" but that it sometime is the reality. He related that the Borough only has control of about 15 percent of what it spends due to mandates and contractual obligations.

Council Member Grasso asked Council Member Donovan if he is in favor of raising taxes.

Council Member Donovan related that he is in favor of continuing the services that the people want and if that means that taxes have to go up a little bit then that is what he is in favor of. He related that he is not in favor of laying anyone off or furloughs and that he is in favor of doing everything as economically responsibly as possible.

Council Member Grasso asked Council Member Donovan who he is speaking to.

Council Member Donovan related that he is speaking to everyone in Manasquan.

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The Governing Body agreed to continue this discussion following the regular meeting.

Mr. Shechter was excused from the meeting 7:59 p.m.

ITEM #1. Review of a Proposed Snow Removal on Private Property Ordinance – Council Member Grasso.

Council Member Grasso read a letter of complaint about how the Borough did not comply with the Borough ordinance and have the snow removed from its own sidewalk within the required 16 daylight hours during a recent snow storm. He read ordinance #20-1.1 which stipulates the snow removal requirement in the Borough. He related that his committee is looking into lowering the 16 hour timeframe to 12 hours and asked whether or not municipal roads and sidewalks should be included. He related that he is open to suggestions on this issue.

Council Member Lee related that with the type of storms that happened recently along with the reduction in staffing in the DPW a realistic time frame has to be built in. He related that hopefully we will not have the hellacious types of storms that we had recently again. He noted that he was told that the walkways at the school were not cleared. He related that whatever is decided, the Governing Body should keep in mind the severity of the recent storms and how they match up to the DPW staffing because they are cleaning the roads and doing other critical jobs during a storm.

Mayor Dempsey asked if Code Enforcement/Building Department Supervisor Mr. Hamilton had any suggestions.

Council Member Grasso related that he did not.

Mayor Dempsey related that meeting with Mr. Hamilton would be a good start and that this matter will be rescheduled for discussion in another month.

ITEM #2. Review of a Proposed Grease Trap Ordinance – Council Member Donovan.

Council Member Donovan briefly reviewed a proposed Grease Trap Ordinance model that will regulate the release of grease and oil into the sanitary sewer system. He asked for permission to have the Borough Attorney to review the model and advise on how it can be adapted to the Borough's ordinance structure. He noted that the Monmouth County Health Department inspects the traps for the Borough.

Mayor Dempsey informed the Governing Body to review and also that Council Member Donovan to report back to Council after he meets with his committee and the Superintendent of DPW.

ITEM #3. Discontinuation of the 2011 PARIS Funding Grant for RIM Interlocal.

The Municipal Clerk related that the County was notified that they will not receive funding for the OPRS-RIM program in 2011. She related that the cost to participate once the funding ends will be approximately \$3,000 per year. She asked the Governing Body if they intend to fund the program. She indicated that she is hesitant to begin participating if the Governing Body does not intend to fund the program because it is very work intensive. She related that if the Borough participates all of its records will be scanned into a digital format which will aid in records retrieval and storage. She related that the County is providing scanning equipment to the Borough and that the fee is to participate in the program.

Mr. Trengrove related that operationally this program will be beneficial since the records retrieval time will be reduced.

The Clerk related that some of the records will be available on the Borough and County websites. She related that some of the municipalities have already stored records in the system and can be accessed on the County's website. She related that it is a great program but that funding will be needed to continue in it.

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Council Member Lee suggested holding this issue for discussion at a later date because of the budget discussions.

Mayor Dempsey suggested rescheduling this matter to the next meeting of the Governing Body.

There were no objections from the Governing Body.

ITEM #4. Use of Borough Property Requests:

- Religious Service at Hancock Park Gazebo on March 28th - First Baptist Church

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

- Religious Service at Manasquan Inlet Gazebo on April 4th – Rev. Joe Santucci

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

- Squan Plaza Flea Market on July 4th – Manasquan Vol Eng. Co. #2 Ladies Aux

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

- “Relay for Life” at the Little League Field on June 19th, – Am. Cancer Society

Jane Gutshall, Relay for Life representative explained the all night family friendly events to the Governing Body. She related that the event is all night to signify that Cancer never sleeps. She related that the music will end at 10:00 p.m. but that they will follow any Borough noise ordinance that is in place.

Council Member Bossone informed Ms. Gutshall that the parking enforcement staff will begin to enforce the paid parking beginning 9:00 a.m. on June 20th, 2010.

Ms. Gutshall related that the event ends at dawn then the clean up will begin. She related that they are prepared to pay for any police assistance that might be needed.

Council Member Bossone made a motion to approve the event with the stipulation that live music will end at 9:00 p.m. seconded by Council Member Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

- Wedding at the Riddle Way Gazebo July 25th, 2010 – C. Craef

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

ITEM #5. Review of Ordinances and Resolutions Scheduled for Consideration at the Regular Meeting.

Council Member Connolly asked why the professional services for the engineering services for the Water Treatment Plant Replacement Project aren't being bid out.

Council Member Donovan related that it was discussed and that it is the most efficient way for the Borough to proceed with this project.

Council Member Connolly related that perhaps there is a construction management firm that specializes in Water Treatment Plant Projects that might come in at a lower price.

Council Member Donovan related that it was decided that to bring in someone at this point would cost more money because they would have to be updated on this complicated project

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and to get them into the process. He related that T & M Associates has intimate knowledge of this project and has managed these types of projects successfully in the past. He also noted that they have managed other projects successfully for the Borough.

Council Member Connolly related that she does not doubt that T & M can successfully manage a project but that she is concerned that they designed the project and will now be building the plant.

Council Member Donovan related that they will not be building the plant but that they will be managing the process and not be doing the project. He related that they will oversee the contractor who is building the plant.

Council Member Grasso asked if it would be good to have a second set of eyes looking at this.

Mayor Dempsey and Council Member Grasso did not agree with Council Member Donovan.

Council Member Donovan related that the DPW Committee supports awarding the contract to T & M Associates. He related that having another pair of eyes looking at it might cause more problems than hiring someone who is intimately familiar with the project.

Council Member Grasso related that It might be better to have someone who has more experience with doing a Water Treatment Plants versus doing roads.

Mayor Dempsey related that T & M Associates has staff members that specialize in Water Treatment Plants and that is all that they do.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

John Tischio , 16 Meadow Ave suggested that the Borough initiate a compost program in an effort to cut back on trash removal. He suggested that someone inform the residents of home composting methods.

Council Member Donovan related that the Manasquan Environmental Commission has a composting workshop at the DCI Building on May 22nd in cooperation with the M.C. Planning Board. He noted that one was held last year.

There was a great deal of discussion about various activities in the Borough that take recycling out of the trash stream and reduce tipping fees.

Fran Drew, 23 Virginia Ave suggested that the Municipal Clerk contact the Bill Gates Foundation to see if there is funding available for records management. She asked if anyone recalls what year the Borough switched to using equipment to clean up the beach which she believes occurred in the 1960s.

No one on Council recalled the date.

Council Member Lee related that the switch did not take place when he was on the crew in the 1970s.

Mrs. Drew asked if Mr. Trengrove had this information in the Borough records.

Mr. Trengrove related that is it unlikely.

Mayor Dempsey asked Mrs. Drew what her point was.

Mrs. Drew asked if the Borough beach budget has increased incredibly since the Borough made this switch. She related that the former system was great .

Mr. Trengrove related that the Department of Labor regulates young workers for example, they cannot pick up a garbage bag and put it in the back of a truck but that they can pick up the trash.

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Council Member Connolly made a motion to recess the work session meeting to the regular meeting at 8:29 p.m., seconded by Council Member Lucas. Motion carried unanimously.

The work session meeting was reconvened at 9:34 p.m.

Mr. Trengrove related that Mr. Shechter said that there was talk about taking \$25,000 out of the tipping fees and \$60,000 more out of surplus.

There was some discussion regarding the tipping fees.

Mr. Trengrove related that he believes that if some money for tipping fees were moved to the Beach Utility Budget it could be justified to the Office of the Public Advocate.

Manasquan Beach Manager Wally Wall indicated that the Beach Utility Budget Line Item for Solid Waste and Recycling Removal is \$40,000.00.

Mayor Dempsey pointed out that the figure probably includes tipping fee costs.

Mr. Trengrove related that he will look into this matter further and report back to the Governing Body.

Council Member Connolly related that if the \$140,000 for all the new equipment were eliminated then the Borough could move \$140,000 into the Beach Utility Budget.

Mayor Dempsey related that it has nothing to do with the current fund. He related that the Borough cannot just transfer \$140,000 of debt from the Current Fund to the Beach Utility Budget. He related that it could be an issue with the Office of the Public Advocate.

Council Member Connolly asked when the last time the Public Advocate investigated the Borough's budget.

Mayor Dempsey related that they were in Belmar recently and they got into a lot of trouble.

Council Member Connolly asked the Mayor if he'd rather pass on the costs to the taxpayers. She said to just keep piling the cost on to the taxpayers and don't try to do anything to reduce taxes.

Mayor Dempsey related that he believes that the Governing Body had done a good job saving money for the taxpayers from the Beach Budget. He related that \$500,000 of the Beach Budget comes up town.

Council Member Bossone asked why Council Member Connolly says that nobody tries to do anything.

Council Member Connolly related that what she is trying to say is that the Governing Body has to keep the taxpayers in mind. She related that the Governing Body is just saying how do we take care of this, this and this and all these expenses but then say oh wait a second taxpayer you owe us another \$100.00 because we are not reducing. She said to Council Member Bossone that if he were laid off and only had a certain amount of money to live on he would reduce.

Council Member Bossone related that Council Member Connolly needs to make a suggestion to cut services or a job.

Council Member Connolly related that she did provide a list of cuts.

Council Member Bossone related that he does not support any action that would affect the employees.

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Council Member Connolly asked Council Member Bossone: "so you'd rather do it to the taxpayers – is that what you are telling me, that you'd rather raise taxes then decrease."

Council Member Bossone related that he is not supporting lay-offs.

Mayor Dempsey related that he does not believe that an \$80.00 tax increase is outlandish.

Council Member Connolly told the Mayor to tell that to the Senior Citizens.

Mayor Dempsey related that he is a Senior Citizen.

Council Member Grasso asked if the storage bins are important this year. He related that he doesn't know if the people want these bins in front of their houses. He asked if anyone spoke to them.

Council Member Bossone related that he spoke to a couple of residents there.

Council Member Grasso exclaimed, "a couple – you didn't go door to door and ask each one?"

Council Member Bossone asked if it is up to those residents to decide. He related that he got the support of the M.B.I.A. as he reported at the last meeting and noted that it is a revenue maker.

Council Member Connolly related that they are ascetically unpleasing.

Council Member Bossone related that is a personal opinion. He related that there were individuals present in the audience that support the bins but left the meeting because they were with their children and it was late.

Council Member Grasso asked who will maintain them.

Council Member Bossone reiterated his answer from the last meeting that the beach department will maintain them.

Council Member Grasso said that they will maintain them like they maintained the playground.

Council Member Bossone related that it is not up to them to stop metal from rusting.

Council Member Connolly related that it rusted after 6 years.

Mayor Dempsey related that metal submersed in salt water will rust.

Council Member Grasso related that Bradley Beach has a beautiful playground and that there is a berm in front of it to keep the saltwater from hitting it.

Council Member Bossone related that is a good idea.

Council Member Grasso asked why that wasn't thought of when the Borough installed the playground equipment.

Council Member Bossone related that he was not on Council at that time but that Council Member Connolly was.

Council Member Connolly related that the equipment was \$30,000 and what happened to it was disgraceful.

Council Member Bossone agreed and related that he is just trying to replace it.

Council Member Grasso related that tonight is the first time he is hearing that there will be three pieces of playground equipment for the beach.

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Council Member Bossone related that this is not the first time that he mentioned this fact and that he mentioned it each time this topic was discussed.

Council Member Lucas suggested holding a fundraiser to pay for the equipment.

Council Member Lee related that we have a beautiful beach and are fighting for tourism dollars and to not promote family activities is a step back. He related that it is a small cost item in the grand scheme of things. He noted that the Beach Utility budget is less than it was last year. He related that we are fighting hard to look for any savings without hitting personnel and services. He related that he does not believe that Council Member Connolly's Health Care reduction suggestion is realistic this year because it has to go through the negotiation process and that he does not believe that the Governing Body can arbitrary negotiate this item at a public meeting. He related that he worries about labor relations and unfair practice lawsuits.

Council Member Connolly stated, "Council Member Lee, it is not subject to the collective bargaining process - Statue 40A:10."

Council Member Lee related that he would like to see that reference and that he did not see it before the meeting.

Mr. Trengrove related that the Opt-Out Benefit is done by statute, ordinance and policy. He related that the Governing Body cannot stop an employee from opting back into the insurance plan.

Mayor Dempsey related that if the Opt-Out Benefit were eliminated it would save the Borough \$150,000 but then would cost the Borough \$300,000.

Council Member Connolly stated that what you are saying is that employees have no sense of conscience and will opt back in and spend the money anyway. She related that she does not think that the employees are like that.

Council Member Lee related that he believes that Council Member Connolly is twisting things and stated that Council Member Connolly is certainly not speaking for him.

Council Member Connolly related that this benefit is being paid for with public money and that the Borough is paying people not to take a benefit. She related that if you don't need it - don't take it.....period.

Mayor Dempsey related that health insurance benefits vary, therefore, he anticipates some employees will opt back in.

Council Member Donovan related that there is a benefit to being covered by two plans.

Council Member Connolly related that you cannot be covered by two plans.

Council Member Donovan replied that an employee can be covered by two plans and reiterated that there is a cash benefit to being in two plans.

Council Member Connolly related that it is unfair to our taxpayers to be paying this money out.

Council Member Donovan related that it would be unfair to our taxpayers to open up the doors for the Borough Employees to cost the Borough another \$157,000.00 and lose the savings that the Borough realized by asking them to give up their health insurance coverage.

Council Member Connolly related that we are not asking them to give up their health care coverage.

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Council Member Donovan replied the Borough is asking them to give up their health care coverage because by contract they are entitled to health care coverage. He related that if it is offered to one it is offered to all.

Council Member Connolly related that we never said that it wouldn't be offered to all of them – you either take it or you don't.

Council Member Bossone related that they would take it.

Council Member Connolly related that they won't take it if we say not to. She related that this is exactly what Governor Christie is after – he's after all of the spending that is being passed on to the taxpayers and is unfair to them.

Council Member Bossone related that Governor Christie just passed along \$1,000,000.00 to the taxpayers by taking away the State aid from the school and \$140.00 from the Borough's budget.

Council Member Lucas stated that for the past 10 years the State didn't pay into the pension system.

The Mayor asked if any member of the Governing Body has any budget reduction suggestions. There being none, he asked that the meeting be adjourned.

Council Member Lee related that we need to reach some sort of target.

Mayor Dempsey related that he believes we are there at \$20.00 per quarter.

Council Member Lee related that he doesn't agree and related that he would like to see it in the 2 to 3 range.

Mayor Dempsey related that with over \$100,000 increases in RUTS and Health Insurance he doesn't believe the Borough can get that low.

Council Member Grasso read a statement made by Council Member Bossone from last week's minutes of the Governing Body as follows: "...related that the beach would be saved because of repairs and more enjoyable by installing the children's playground..." and that you said it again twice. He related that is singular not plural and there is nothing mentioned here about three pieces of playground equipment.

Council Member Bossone related that he didn't say that he said it at the last meeting but that he has been talking about it at *meetings*.

The Governing Body agreed to make arrangements for an additional budget meeting to discuss the 2010 budget.

CLOSED SESSION

The Borough Attorney presented a resolution authorizing the Governing Body to meet in closed session at 9:59 p.m.

Council Member Lucas made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Bossone. The motion was carried unanimously.

A brief recess was held until 10:05 p.m.

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