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A Work Session Meeting of the Manasquan Mayor and Council was held on June 21, 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 Municipal Attorney James Kinneally.

Municipal Administrator John Trengrove was absent.

Absent: None.

ITEM #1. Use of Borough Property Requests:

- N.J. Volleyball Association – Inlet Beach Volleyball – various dates.

There was some discussion about this event and it was agreed that more information about it is needed including whether or not they charge an admittance fee and how it will benefit the Borough of Manasquan.

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

It was noted that a representative could attend the next meeting of the Governing Body to discuss this matter further.

- First Aid Coin Toss – Route 71/Main St - July 31, 2010

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

- Valentine Day Plunge – Main Beach – February 5, 2011

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

The Municipal Clerk related that the Valentine Plunge Committee is requesting that the \$100.00 fee be waived since they have donated about \$4,000.00 to date to the Borough's emergency service groups.

Council Member Bossone made a motion to waive the fee, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Motion carried unanimously.

- Manasquan Elementary School – Beach Clean-Up – June 22, 2010

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

ITEM #2. Letter from T & M Associates regarding miscellaneous roadway drainage improvements (Glimmer Glass Drainage Improvements – Phase II) .

Council Member Donovan related this is a continuation of the Glimmer Glass Drainage Project and that money is included in several bond ordinances to cover the work. He related that T & M Associates is proposing that the Borough continue with the Glimmer Glass Drainage Project and that they have five targets that they want to work on. He informed the public of the five target areas and the work to be done.

Mayor Dempsey also related that the project includes East Virginia Ave and River Place.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare the bid specification, seconded by Council Member Lee. Roll call was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

ITEM #3. Letter from R. Furey dated June 15, 2010 regarding the Provident Bank Sign.

Council Member Donovan related that this request was submitted for approval because the municipality is their landlord.

Mayor Dempsey noted that Dick Furey has approved the Zoning Application.

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

ITEM #4. Squan Plaza Redesign Project.

Council Member Lee related that it is his understanding that this project will be closed out by the end of the week.

ITEM #5. Squan Beach Life Saving Station Update.

Council Member Lee related that the deed is restricted in use to FEMA related activities and to that end it is very limiting. He related that the Squan Beach Life Saving Station Committee, OEM and passive recreation uses aren't allowed because of the restrictions. He related that the SBLSS Committee had considered leasing the building but it wasn't permissible because of the restrictions and noted that the deed contains a reverter clause. He related that the National Monument Historic Group would allow more uses of the building; however, the Borough would have to decline the acceptance of the Monmouth County Open Space Grant in the amount of \$108,000 because it is in direct conflict with their deed. He related that a decision has to be made regarding this issue.

Council Member Donovan related that if the Borough accepts the Monmouth County grant, a deed restriction will be required that will indicate that the property can only be used for recreation purposes and the Federal Government will not accept that restriction.

Council Member Connolly related that she proposed to John Trengrove that the municipality consider the deed then make a separate agreement with the County that wouldn't be in conflict with National Monuments. She related that this would be a way around it legally.

Council Member Donovan related that it is his understanding that the County will require the deed restriction, therefore, that cannot be done.

Council Member Lee made a motion to proceed with the National Monuments application, seconded by Council Member Donovan. Roll call was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

ITEM #6. Purchase of Playground Equipment.

Council Member Bossone related that \$18,000.00 was put in the beach budget for one piece of playground equipment of the three pieces that were originally proposed with the stipulation that it would be purchased if badge revenues were the same or above last year's pre-season sales through Memorial Day weekend. He related that as of tonight's meeting the beach is about \$150,000 ahead in revenue from the same time period last year.

Council Member Lucas related that if the badge sales are down due to a bad Fourth of July weekend that figure will be down. He related that he would feel better purchasing the equipment after the July Fourth weekend so that the revenue can be evaluated.

Mayor Dempsey noted that the Governing Body agreed to the aforementioned stipulation that was stated by Council Member Bossone.

Council Member Lucas made a motion to decide after the July 4th weekend.

Council Member Lee related that he may not have agreed to the increase in some of the badge fees if they weren't for these kinds of improvements to continue to support the beach as a family beach. He related that many people have asked the staff about the playground equipment and it speaks directly to being a family town. He related that he supports the purchase.

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Council Member Connolly related that she thought it was a good idea when it was installed in 2003 and reiterated (from numerous previous meetings) the history of the playground equipment that was previously installed, rusted and then removed from there. She asked how the Borough will prevent this from happening again.

Mayor Dempsey related that this is what the Governing Body agreed to when the budget was formulated and now Council Member Connolly wants to change the rules.

Council Member Connolly related that she doesn't believe the bond was paid off for the 2003 playground equipment.

Council Member Bossone related that it is not taxpayer money and is paid for by beach user fees.

Council Member Connolly seconded the motion made by Council Member Lucas. The motion failed by the following vote: "Yes" Council Member Connolly, Grasso, Lucas. "No" Council Member Bossone, Donovan, Lee. The Mayor broke the tie by voting "No".

Council Member Bossone made a motion to purchase one piece of playground equipment.

Council Member Grasso suggested moving the equipment 50 feet further away from the water.

Mayor Dempsey related that because of the CAFRA Permit the Borough would not be able to do that and it would take about three years to amend the CAFRA Permit.

There was some discussion regarding the maintenance of the equipment.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Lee. The motion was approved by the following vote: "yes" Council Member Bossone, Donovan, Grasso, Lee. "No" Council Member Connolly, Lucas.

ITEM #7. Review of the Resolutions Scheduled for Approval at the Regular Meeting.

Council Member Connolly asked about O'Neill's fire code violation and asked if it will impact the granting of the liquor license.

Mayor Dempsey related that it does not and noted that the building was reinspected on Friday.

There were no more questions or comments on the resolutions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law and Code Committee – Council Member Grasso read the Building/Code Department Status Report. He provided the Governing Body with an updated proposed Taxi Fee Ordinance and asked for their questions and comments because the committee would like to turn ed over to the Borough Attorney. He related that the interview process for the Zoning/Code Enforcement Supervisor position has begun and that they have narrowed it down to 3 candidates. He related that the process will continue and that they hope to have a recommendation for the next meeting of the Governing Body. He related that he has received calls thanking the Borough for fixing the portable restroom at Mallard Park, the installation of the beach maintenance building stockade fence and for the cutting of First Avenue. He related that there was a request for the installation of two handicapped spaces at the west end of the Inlet. He also related that the Manasquan Elks related that they will be happy to assist the Borough with the repair of the Plaza Fountain. He related that there were a lot of complaints about the noise and lights at the recent Cancer Relay Event which should be taken into consideration if they apply to use Borough property next year.

Mayor Dempsey asked Council Member Grasso if he updated Council member Lee on the Plaza Fountain since it is handled by Council Member Lee's committee.

Council Member Grasso related that the Elk's representatives indicated that they will make arrangements to meet with Council Member Lee.

Administration and Finance Committee – Council Member Connolly related that the

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Administration and Finance Committee has approved the Payment of Bills. She related that they have received a lot of applications for the CFO/Administrator's position and that the closing date for application is June 30th, 2010. She related that the Cable Television Committee is requesting permission to contact Verizon in regard to supplying a paid access channel. She related that she thinks John Trengrove can get involved with contacting Verizon. She also related that they would like to see Lee Weisert receive the title of director of Television Services for the Borough of Manasquan which will enable him to attend meetings with people in the television services area.

Mayor Dempsey related that he does not believe the Borough can appoint someone to that position and that it should be researched further. He related that there are guidelines for that committee.

Council Member Connolly related that she is very well aware of the guidelines.

Public Safety and Recycling Committee – Council Member Lucas related that the new pedestrian crossing signs were placed in strategic areas in town. He read the Police Department Status Report dated 6/21/10.

Public Works Committee – Council Member Donovan had no report.

Beach Committee – Council Member Bossone related that the beaches are open daily and noted that revenues are up about \$152,000 from the same time period last year. He gave an update on the badge sales to date. He related that the cleaning services are now cleaning the bathrooms every day and that they have instituted a written complaint process for patrons. He described the process. He gave an update on the condition of the swing sets and related that the new playground equipment will be ordered as soon as possible. He related that the Beach Department took care of the fence at the Squan Beach Life Saving Station and the curb cut that Council Member Grasso mentioned in his report. He also related that the portable restroom repairs mentioned by Council Member Grasso was accomplished by the Public Property and Parks Committee. He gave the Manasquan Tourism's July Fourth event schedule.

Public Property and Parks Committee – Council Member Lee noted that the Borough Administrator is still in discussions about a shared services interlocal agreement for the CFO position. He related that the Borough Hall Painting Project is scheduled to begin this week. He related that the contractor for repairs at Curtis Park Court has begun. He related that they are waiting for some more information regarding the Squan Plaza Fountain then the Governing Body can collectively make a decision. He noted that money for this project was not budgeted but hopefully partnerships can come up with a working solution. He related that the DPW has installed base material through out the parks. He also related that they restored the wash out area in Stockton Lake Park on the walking perimeter behind the Softball and T-Ball area. He related that a French drain and materials were installed to create a safer walking area. He related that the Third Avenue Bulkhead Project will not cost as much as the Borough had anticipated and the project should begin early Fall. He related that the Alice Hemphill Sanctuary and Warren Ave/Perrine Boulevard have been inundated with some unwanted sleeping inhabitants. He related that the Police have been vigilant and he noted that cots and debris have been found there. He related that the DPW did some weed control and maintenance in an effort to improve the site line for the Police Department. He related that the Friends Helping Friends Organization have done a magnificent job with building relationships and creating opportunities for them to celebrate life and have a good time in a very positive avenue. He related that they are present in the audience this evening. He related that they have taken on the restoration of the old DCI building and have built a partnership with Habitat for Humanity, Manasquan Recreation Commission, the Jersey Shore Medical Center and one or two churches to developed short term plans for remodeling and refurbishing the property for better and safer usage.

Christine Reidy, 815 Woodcrest Drive, Spring Lake Heights and Manasquan High School Sociology teacher related that the Friends Helping Friends Program grew out of a sociology *Do Now For Us* project where the students were asked to develop a program in the community that is aimed towards the students. He related that the general consensus of the students was that there is no where for them to go in the community. She related that they decided that the idea for a Teen Center was developed. She stated that with the help of Sue McCoy they decided to make Friends Helping Friends a community idea. She related that there theme is that we are strong and resilient and that no matter what goes wrong we will cope and help each other. She related that their website is www.friendshelpingfriendsmhs.com and that they welcome

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donations and volunteers for the renovation of the DCI Building project.

FriendsHelpingFriends Members Patrick Petrone, 406 Linden Lane, Brielle, Molly McCann, 809 Schoolhouse Road, Brielle, Mary Condon, 603 South Street, Brielle and Luke Dawson, 16 South Tamarack, Brielle all discussed the mission of FriendsHelpingFriends, the planned activities and DCI Building Renovation Project.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Lou Coccozza, 45 North Potter Ave related that they have a problem with water in front of his house for 15 years. He gave the history of the problem that began after the roadway was repaved in 1992.

Mayor Dempsey advised Mr. Coccozza to contact the Borough Administrator who will log the complaint. He noted that there are about 80 other similar complaints on file.

Council Member Donovan related that he will speak with the Borough Engineer about the problem also.

Jack Drew, 23 Virginia Ave asked what action the Governing Body is taking in the Squan Plaza.

Council Member Lee reiterated his previous comments.

Mr. Drew asked if the municipality will be making any repairs to the Plaza area before the project commences. He related that a lot of repairs are needed and that they should be made to make the area safer.

Council Member Donovan related that the DPW is taking care of the potholes and that the redesign project is on the radar.

A Howell Township and an Allenwood New Jersey resident complained about the poor condition of the beach bathrooms. They discussed their dissatisfaction with the lack of cleanliness and the malfunctioning equipment. They provided pictures. They related that they have visited other beach bathrooms in Ocean County and noted that their bathrooms are immaculate and have attendants. They also related that it appears the beach department had not used the bleach that is stored there because the supply was the same at the end of the summer as it was in the beginning of the summer.

Council Member Bossone related that he will look into this matter tomorrow.

Rich Bartholomew, Lake Avenue asked for an update on the COAH issue that was discussed at the last closed session meeting of the Governing Body and was deferred because some information was missing.

Mayor Dempsey related that the Governing Body had planned to meet with the Borough's COAH attorney but he cancelled. He related that the matter should be scheduled for the next meeting of the Governing Body.

Eileen Sinneck, 388 Cedar Avenue asked if Cedar Avenue and South Jackson will be included in the project that was approved during the work session meeting. (Item #2)

Mayor Dempsey related that what was approved tonight are add-ons to the Phase II Glimmer Glass Drainage Project.

Mrs. Sinneck related that they cannot exit their property and have been utilizing their neighbor's property to do so. She related that they may have new neighbors soon who may not grant them access to their property.

Council Member Donovan related that he will ask the Borough Engineer to look at it.

Phyllis Sardoni, 87 Rogers Avenue complained about the serious drainage problem that has been occurring during the past 2 or 3 years on Rogers Ave. She described the drainage issues and resulting safety problems in detail. She suggested continuing the one way roadway on Rogers Ave between Pearce Ave and Meadow Ave.

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Mayor Dempsey related that the Police Department would have to study this suggestion.

Phyllis Sardoni related that she hopes that someone investigates this matter.

Nastar Wagner related that the Christian Surfers Group sent an email to the Governing Body requesting permission to set up a stand and serve breakfast at the beach. He asked if this is possible. He related that his group is an international ministry whose focus is on surfers. He related that they asked to set up a tent to serve food to surfers where they will be available to talk to the surfers as well as give them bibles and cds. He related that they have observed a lot of problems with drugs and that they want to bring hope to the community. He related that they have 22 chapters in America and that they want to help the surfers find God.

The Municipal Clerk related that cannot be done on the beachfront due to a deed restriction. She explained this to another member of the organization recently. She also related that there are zoning and health department issues that would have to be addressed. She stated that the soliciting and canvassing ordinance would have to be looked at also.

Mayor Dempsey related that the Borough's ordinance does not allow anything to be given away or sold east of the board walk.

Mr. Wagner asked if he can apply to use the beachfront as an event like the surf organizations do.

The Municipal Clerk related that the surfing organizations are holding athletic events and not selling or giving items away. She related that Mr. Wagner can apply to hold an event but that he cannot sell or give items away on the beachfront.

Council Member Bossone related that Mr. Wagner is welcome to apply to hold an event on the beachfront but that he will have to comply with the Borough ordinances.

Mayor Dempsey suggested that Mr. Wagner meet with Council Member Bossone following the meeting.

The Municipal Clerk noted that the Use of Beachfront Property information is posted on the Borough's website.

The **closed session** meeting minutes, clerks signature and approval date are attached.