MARCH 16, 2013

BUDGET MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL, MARCH 16, 2013 AT 9:04 A.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF BOROUGH HALL.

Mayor Dempsey's statement re: Open Public Meetings Act of 1975 and that notice was given to the Coast Star and the Asbury Park Press on December 4, 2012.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Bossone, Sinneck, Donovan, Mangan, Olivera and McCarthy

Absent: None

Also present was Municipal Administrator/CMFO Joseph DeIorio.

Beach Department

Mr. DeIorio went over the worksheets that were handed out to the council members regarding beach information for the budget process.

There was discussion on the beach budget information.

It was recommended that the badge clerk salary total be changed from $109,000 to $106,000.

There was discussion on the operating budget and the budgeted amounts.

It was recommended that line item ending 513 Share of Police-OE be kept open with $100

There was discussion on line item ending 517 Audit Services.

There was discussion on the rest of the Beach Department OE budget.

Mr. DeIorio went over the Hurricane Sandy Beach Department Bond estimates and there was discussion on these items.

There was discussion on the Third Avenue parking lot repair.

It was recommended that the Chair of Public Property, Finance and the Beach committees will gather information on the Third Avenue parking area and bring it back to the council.

There was discussion on professional services and contingency fees.

Capital Requests

There was discussion on the tentative capital budget plan worksheet that Mr. DeIorio put together for council's review.

There was discussion on the front end loader that needed repairs before the storm so the borough will not be getting reimbursement for the bills. The borough will be getting reimbursed for the usage of it.

There was discussion on the purchase of a new loader and the repairs of the current loader. It was recommended that this purchase be put off for a year or two until the borough can get back on their feet from the storm.

There was discussion on the tennis courts that need to be resurfaced.

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

Mike Shelton, Board of Education Member advised that he sent the bid to Joe, George, and Mike he believes which was 22 to 29. He stated that the BOE budgeted their half and if the council budgets their half they will do it but if council decides not to the BOE will allocate their portion somewhere else.

There was discussion on the condition of the tennis courts.

Council Member Sinneck made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Council Member Donovan. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Sinneck made a motion to approve $15,000 for the capital budget for the tennis courts, seconded by Council Member Donovan. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Debris Removal Enforcement

Mayor Dempsey stated that there are homeowners that are gutting their homes and putting the debris at the street for pick up. He advised that the borough does not have the debris removal company anymore and this debris is sitting at the curb for a length of time. He also advised that letters have gone to the homeowners asking them to clean it up and the homeowners are not responding. He suggested that the borough clean up the debris and charge the homeowner for the clean up after a certain time after notification.

There was discussion on the Mayor's suggestion and what is already in the borough code and what should be placed in an ordinance to make the homeowners clean up their property or the town will do it at the homeowner's expense.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

Joan Reilly, 76 Stockton Lake Boulevard inquired about Sea Watch parking.

Council Member Bossone stated that the parking lot will be paved, striped, and go out to the existing people that had parking passes previously to them first then open it to others.

Mary Ryan, 113 Beachfront thanked the council for debris removal issues and the securing of homes that are unsafe. She voiced her concerns with the dangers she sees in the beach area and the lack of lighting on the walkway. She inquired about the dunes and the height that they might be.

There was discussion on engineered dunes and man made dunes and what the Army Corps of Engineers need to do and the timeframe.

James Romano, 59 Rogers Avenue inquired about debris that is left at the curb from homes. He stated that it is being placed between properties or across the street to create some confusion over who is responsible for the debris and who would be fined for the violation.

Jim Ford, 553 Perch Avenue stated that he would like to applaud the council and the borough for the tremendous response to this tragedy and they did an excellent job. He inquired about the homes that are deemed unsafe, if a fence would be sufficient.

Mary Ryan, 113 Beachfront inquired about the sand removal waiver and the bids for the buildings on the beach.

Mr. DeIorio stated that the proposal has been put out to bid for the Inlet Bathroom, Inlet Gazebo, Ocean Avenue Bathroom, and the Beach Garage and bids have been received and the award is scheduled for Monday.

Ms. Ryan inquired about the delay on the beach building and wanted to know what the delays are from.

Mr. DeIorio stated that the Borough passed a resolution to extend the timeframe as recommended by the project manager. He stated that under the contract the project is supposed to be completed by Memorial Day and there is a penalty clause in the contract for that.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Council Member Mangan. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Sinneck made a motion to close the work session meeting at 11:21 a.m., seconded by Council Member Olivera. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Barbara Ilaria
Municipal Clerk

DATE APPROVED 7-1-13