OCTOBER 1, 2012

A Work Session Meeting of Mayor and Council was convened at 8:28 p.m. on October 1, 2012 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 7, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Jacobson, Mangan, and McCarthy

Absent: None

Also present was Borough Attorney Mark Kitrick, Borough Administrator/CFO Joseph DeIorio, and Charles Rooney, Borough Engineer

Mayor Dempsey recommended that there be a 3 minute time limit for each person for the audience participation.

Council Member Connolly made a motion to approve the mayor's recommendation to limit the time to speak, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION: MBIA - Glimmer Glass W-9 Bridge

Al Sauer, Chair of the Trustees for the Manasquan Beach Improvement Association was allowed 15 minutes to present his (MBIA) findings and recommendations for the Glimmer Glass W-9 Bridge.

Council Member McCarthy agreed with Mr. Sauer's concerns regarding the bridge.

Council Member Mangan also agreed with the concern's regarding the bridge.

Council Member Jacobson agreed with the safety concerns.

Council Member Donovan stated that as the bridge stands now Brielle has refused to cross with EMS or Fire trucks because of the 3 ton limit.

Council Member Connolly stated that this concern is in the hands of the Freeholders and suggested that the meetings should be attended to talk about this issue.

Council Member Bossone stated that he agrees that some pressure needs to be made on the County and the State to do something about the bridge.

Audience Participation: Glimmer Glass W-9 Bridge

Joan Harriman, 574 Perch Avenue agreed with Mr. Sauer's comments and recommendations for the Glimmer Glass Bridge and the concerns with crossing the bridge on bikes.

Larry SilbEr, 15 E. Drawbridge Lane stated that he has concerns going East on Brielle Road while the bridge is being repaired/reconstructed. He stated that he does not agree with the safety issue of bikes on the bridge. He stated that the Drawbridge Association is opposed to a reconstruction of the bridge until there are answers on how traffic will be moved.

Mark Campagna, 293 First Avenue had concerns about the cost of the project and the time frame. He also stated that there are grants out there that could be utilized for this project.

Mary Ryan, 113 Beachfront wanted to clarify that regardless whether we talk about retaining a bridge with a historic character to be on a register or just reclaim the bridge as a historic piece, in either case the bridge will be closed.

Lou Sisler, 565 Perch Avenue wanted to know if the bridge can be condemned by petition.

Borough Attorney Kitrick stated that a petition can be filed with the Freeholders.

Ed Hyer, 56 Second Avenue stated that the traffic on the bridge is dangerous and a total replacement should be requested and asked the council to pass a new resolution now calling for total replacement as long as the county is sensitive to the esthetics.

Dana Harriman, 522 Harris Avenue, Brielle stated that the bridge is not safe for bikes.

Lori Centrella, Brielle resident but owns a home in Manasquan stated that she is on the committee to refurbish the bridge and agrees with what has been stated tonight with safety concerns. She voiced her opinion on the traffic counts that the county did over the bridge. She voiced her opinion on the bridge opening and the need for a police officer after the fireworks and she believes there are more comprehensive issues that need to be assessed before minds are made for the replacement of the bridge.

There was discussion on the county taking homeowners land to build up the approach of the bridge.

Dan Healy, 643 Woodland Avenue, Brielle stated that the county has the funding for this bridge and there are people that have been to Freehold to stop this project for 4 years. He stated that something has to be done sooner than later. He suggested putting the pressure on the Freeholders to get this project going.

Robert Houseal, Brielle Environmental Commission stated that the bridge is on the historic register. He went over the different levels of approval to get the bridge on the register.

Jack Drew, 111 Third Avenue stated that a 3 ton emergency vehicle can go over the bridge safely. He stated that the bridge replacement is not being held up by anyone who wishes to preserve the historic bridge. He stated that it is being held up because it had to be studied in a proper way through certain procedures based on historic register. He stated that the funding is not in place for the bridge. He went over the width of the streets throughout town.

Fran Drew, 111 Third Avenue stated that she is against a bigger bridge and showed pictures and width of roads. She stated that it is on the historic register. She went over the pictures that she has of streets throughout town and stated that some towns are going to smaller roads for safety reasons.

Jim Lambertson, 3 Drawbridge Lane stated that his concern is going east on Brielle Road and the opening of the bridge. He is also concerned about the safety of bikes going over the bridge.

John Belding, Borough Historian of Brielle stated that he has heard all the pros and cons on the bridge and there are wooden bridges in Vermont that are wonderful.

Mayor Dempsey thanked the audience for their comments.

There was a 5 minutes recess at 8:04 p.m.

The meeting was re-opened at 8:15 p.m.

ITEM #1: Use of Borough Property

- Halloween Costume Contest – Firehouse #1 – October 31, 2012

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

- Turkey Trot – November 17, 2012

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

ITEM #2: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Update

Council Member Mangan stated that Administrator DeIorio did a wonderful job with a power point presentation to apply for a CDBG grant which the Borough did receive for handicap doors for Borough Hall.

Mr. DeIorio stated that Manasquan will be receiving a $54,426 grant from the CDBG. He stated that out of 27 applicants the Borough of Manasquan ranked number two and the project that will be receiving money will be to install handicap access doors into the municipal building.

ITEM #3: Best Practices Worksheet – CY 2012 – Presentation

Mr. DeIorio stated that as required by the State of New Jersey Division of Local Government Services, for the third year in a row the Borough will be submitting a Best Practices worksheet which will afford the borough 100% state funding. He stated that this was submitted to the governing body for their review and questions.

ITEM #4: Water Plant Update

Mr. DeIorio stated that the Borough is moving forward with addressing the needs at the water plant and in the distribution system. He stated that the Borough will be retaining Black and Veatch Engineering firm to complete a report regarding the problems with the water in the Willow Way area. He advised that the water department has been monitoring and obtaining a level of ph that is acceptable by the corrosion expert of Black and Veatch. He advised the council of the other monitoring that the water department has been doing.

ITEM #6: Review of Resolutions for Consideration at the Regular Meeting

Mayor Dempsey asked if council had any questions on the resolutions or ordinances that are on the agenda for the regular meeting.

Council Member Jacobson inquired about ordinance 2124-12 which would amend the Glimmer Glass Drainage Project. She wanted some clarification of the amount that will be added for the project.

Mr. DeIorio stated that the committee would like to add a couple of additional areas to be added to this project which would be alternates in the original bid.

Council Member Connolly inquired about the awarding of the Plaza Bid and why the bid came in higher then the engineer's estimates.

Mr. Rooney, Borough Engineer went over the process in coming up with an estimate for the project. He also went over the plans and where the improvements are to be made.

There was discussion on the plans, curbing and easements.

Council Member Bossone went over the bid proposals for the Construction Manager and that there is a resolution on for tonight for approval.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

Carl Straub, 27 Willow Way inquired about Black and Veatch Engineering and what exactly they are doing to help the water quality in the Willow Way area.

Mr. DeIorio stated that the engineer that came on site looked at and reviewed and made copies of the plans, specifications, operation manuals, and took a tour of the site is a different engineer then the corrosion expert but both were from Black and Veatch. He advised that there will be a report on the operation of the plant from Black and Veatch also.

Mr. Straub wanted to know if the report will have information on pigging, couponing and the distribution of water in the Willow Way area.

Mr. DeIorio stated that the Borough is going to incorporate what the corrosion expert report states as well as the report of the Water Treatment Plant.

Mr. Straub inquired about the permanganate level being addressed or measured in the report.

Mr. DeIorio stated that the permanganate is not the issue at this point regarding the clarity of the water.

Mr. Straub asked if a copy of the report will be available to residents when it is submitted and reviewed by the Borough.

Mr. DeIorio stated that it would have to be reviewed by the borough attorney before it can be released.

Harry Hoey, 63 Central Avenue stated that this is the 30th year of the Turkey Trot and it will be the last one for the Hoeys. He thanked Mayor and Council past and present, Police Dept., and DPW for all the help that has been given over the years to make the Turkey Trot a success.

Robert J. Simons, South St., Brielle wanted to know if there were any accommodations to move the 911 victims' benches to the plaza.

Mayor Dempsey stated that it will be looked into.

Rich Bartholomew, 121 Lake Avenue inquired about resolution 292-12 regarding Fleck v. Borough of Manasquan. He wanted to know if there was an ordinance that would stand a constitutional test.

Mr. Kitrick stated that the ordinance is being reviewed in concert with the League of Municipalities and within the County of Monmouth to help to be able to properly deal with this issue in the future.

Ron Jacobson, 59 McLean Avenue inquired about the Black and Veatch report and who will receive the report when it is completed.

Mayor Dempsey stated that it will be coming to the Borough who is the client.

There was discussion on the change order for the water wells and the amount that it would cost for pigging.

Mr. Rooney stated that the pigging is $75 a foot but it is unknown as to how much pipe would need to be pigged.

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

Council Member Mangan made a motion to close the work session meeting at 8:55 p.m., seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. Ilaria

Barbara Ilaria
Municipal Clerk

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