

WORK SESSION
May 23, 2011

A work session of the Mayor and Common Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, Sussex County, New Jersey, was held in the Council Chambers in the Borough Hall on May 23, 2011

Mayor Steven Ciasullo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Upon Roll Call the following Council Members appeared and answered the call:
Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, NJSA 10:4:4-6 have been satisfied with a schedule of all meetings, together with the time, location and agenda of same being sent to the New Jersey Herald and the New Jersey Sunday Herald, and posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall on January 3, 2011.

Mayor Ciasullo presented a plaque to President of the First Aid Squad, Pat Sabourin for recognition and services performed by the Ogdensburg First Aid Squad. Pat Sabourin thanked everyone. Mayor Ciasullo presented a plaque to Robert Armstrong for American's Older Citizen award. Mr. Armstrong also thanked everyone for the honor.

Councilman Ingerto moved, Councilman Hann seconded motion to open the public hearing on an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG CREATING THE HEATER'S POND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Mayor Ciasullo briefly explained about the Heater's Pond Committee, which will work with the needs of the pond. Jean Castimore, 63 Main asked if the meeting dates will be published. Mayor informed Ms. Castimore that they can advertise the meetings, but for that committee they don't have to be published. The mayor stated that once the committee is formed if they want to do once a month in the summer or one or two months during the winter we can publish it on the Web site with all the information.

There being no further comments from the public, Councilman Ingerto moved, McGuire seconded motion to close the public hearing. Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Councilman Ingerto moved, Councilman Andrews seconded motion for adoption of said ordinance. Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla. Copy attached as Schedule 1.

Councilman Andrews moved, Councilman McGuire seconded motion to introduce an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SALARIES OF THE POLICE OFFICERS OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG THEREFORE.** Public hearing is scheduled for June 13, 2011.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Common Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg that:

1. The following salaries for the Police officers hereinafter set forth for the year 2011 beginning January 1st, and each year thereafter until amended or repealed, are hereby established and fixed as the salary to be paid for the offices wherein the salaries are set at fixed figures, and for the offices wherein a minimum and maximum range is set for the salaries, the salaries shall be paid to the holder of said offices within the minimum and maximum range set by resolution of the Mayor and Common Council, to wit:

Sergeant-----	75,364.00	86,511.00
Patrolman -----	30,000.00	81,511.00

2. The aforesaid salary ranges shall take effect as of January 1, 2011, and shall be paid at the times and in the manner established by resolution of the Borough Council for the payment of said salaries.

3. Overtime pay for Borough employees shall be determined by Article XIV, Section D of the Borough Employee’s manual.

4. As of January 1, 2006, a Salary Guide for the Ogdensburg Police Department shall be negotiated as accepted Police Contract.

5. Bonuses, if any, shall be paid at the discretion of the Mayor and Council

6. All prior salary ordinances adopted by the Borough of Ogdensburg and any other ordinance or ordinances or portions thereof that may be inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby rescinded.

7. This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication according to law.

Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla. Copy attached as Schedule 2.

Councilman McGuire moved, Councilman Ingerto seconded motion to introduce an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,000 CURRENTLY LOCATED WITHIN THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND BALANCE** on first reading. Public hearing and final passage is schedule for June 13, 2011.

WHEREAS, there are funds in General Capital Fund Balance, and

WHEREAS, the total of these funds is \$4,000, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed appropriate to make use of these funds for a float with ladder for Heaters Pond

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that:

Section 1: There is hereby appropriated from General Capital Fund Balance, of the Borough of Ogdensburg, the sum of \$4,000 for the above improvements.

Section 2: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon proper passage and publication in accordance with law.

Yeas: Amodeo, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla. Nays: Andrews, Hann. Copy attached as Schedule 3.

Councilman McGuire moved, Councilman Ingerto seconded motion to adopt the following resolution.

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk a time honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk is the oldest among public servants; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk serves as the information center on functions of local government and community.

WHEREAS, Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops, and the annual meeting of their state, province, county and international professional organizations.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg do recognize the week of May 1– May 7, 2011 as Municipal Clerks' Week, and further extend appreciation to our Municipal Clerk, Phyllis Drouin and to all Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla. Copy attached as Schedule 4.

Councilman McGuire moved, Councilman Ingerto seconded motion to open the public session of the meeting. Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Eric Schmidle, 16 Glenbrook Road spoke about the police cars and informed Council that the Chargers are not considered a good car and he has heard from towns that they have had trouble with them. Councilman Andrews informed Mr. Schmidle that the Crown Vic's are not being made any more. Mayor Ciasullo informed Mr. Schmidle that towns are now leasing cars and the Borough will be saving money by leasing. The Mayor also informed Mr. Schmidle that officer's like the Charger better than the Crown Vic and the Borough will be getting rid of the Crown Vic. Wasco Hadowanetz, 15 Richards St. attended the meeting to speak about the house on Main Street. The Mayor gave a brief summary of what has been going on. Mr. Hadowanetz mentioned that the Historical Society would like to seek funds to restore the Edison House at no cost to the Borough. Mr. Hadowanetz said he would like to propose a meeting to discuss restoring the house. The time frame that the Historical Society is looking at is December before they would consider working on the house. Mayor Ciasullo stated that the house can't be left as is. If the Historical Society can get the money, and it fits into the redevelopment plan, then that would be fine. The Mayor also stated that he wants a letter from the Historical Society saying the Borough authorizes the Historical Society to work on the house. When asked by the Mayor, what you would want to use the house for, Mr. Hadowanetz responded that he would like to see the house become a learning center for students. Jean Castimore, 63 Main Street asked to have the Edison House secured.

There being no further business from the public Councilman McGuire moved, Councilman Andrews seconded motion to close the public session of the meeting. Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Councilman McGuire spoke about meeting with the police to discuss the changes with the health insurance policy. The police have accepted the police but they want to be reimbursed the difference with the co-pays and the deductibles. Mayor asked Councilman McGuire to look into the State Plan. It was stated that the State Plan is a

little more costly. Councilman McGuire said he will continue to work with the broker and try and come up with a solution. Councilman Andrews spoke about a letter from Department of Environmental Protection regarding Mr. Bickerton and stated that everything is completed. Councilman Andrews also spoke about decals and badge's regarding what is written in the ordinances. He stated that there are signs up at Heater's Pond stating permits and decals are necessary and for residence only. There are street signs that say the park is only open from dawn to dusk and for residents only. Councilman Andrews asked about charging for parking and decals for boats. Councilman Ingerto read the prices for boat permits and parking.

There being no further business, Councilman Hann moved, Councilman Ingerto seconded motion to adjourn the meeting. Yeas: Amodeo, Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Mayor