



Borough of Mantoloking
Mayor and Council
Caucus-Regular Business Meeting
Steve Gillingham Meeting Room
202 Downer Avenue, Mantoloking, NJ 08738

Dial-In Option:
Number: 425-436-6287
Access Code: 231051

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 16, 2024
5:30 p.m.

CAUCUS

CALL TO ORDER Mayor White called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

MEETING STATEMENT- In compliance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting of the Mantoloking Borough Council has been advertised in the manner provided by law.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor White, Councilman Batcha, Councilwoman Benz, Councilman Conti, Councilman Donaldson

Dialed in:

Absent: Councilman Amarante, Councilman Celentano

Also Present: Beverley A. Konopada, Borough Clerk, Lynne Hazelet, Deputy Clerk, Borough Attorney Jean Cipriani, Esq., Borough Administrator Brett Radi

- Discussion Item: Sewer Rates

Borough Administrator Brett Radi

- Periodical review of sewer rates to ensure costs are covered
- An increase of 10% on flat rate not fixture cost 309.73 to 340.70
- Costs increased significantly as result of covid and residents staying in the Borough
- Sewer pipe responsibility – Residents responsible up to sewer lateral, town is from the sewer lateral out to the main
- BTMUA is our shared service, they manage our pump house on Herbert Street

J.L. Barnegat Lane- questioned the 10% rate increase

Councilman Conti explained there is a catch up, a figure the borough receives late regarding how much was used that was not budgeted for. We are paying the underage from last year.

PUBLIC COMMENT- On agenda items only

J.L. Barnegat Lane: Resolution 24-45 T-Bills, possible typo

- In the fourth Whereas, change \$3,000,000.00 in Treasury Bills to \$4,500,000.00
- Codification Ordinance-site plan review and zoning chapters – could not locate chapters in old code.

Borough Attorney Cipriani responded and modified the language in section 3 to end the sentence with the word entirety. The ordinance was introduced with the amendment.

J.L. Barnegat Lane:

- Objections to parts of ordinance specifically Chapter 16 regarding routine maintenance, minor repairs and fencing requirements creating an unnecessary burden and expense to the homeowner in the municipality.
- NJ DEP model ordinance: Municipalities should be joining together and make their voices heard regarding the unfairness and impracticality of these rules.
- Thanked everyone for their time, attention and efforts especially Councilwoman Benz. Also mentioned was the legal team who had a monumental task in coordinating the project. Portions of the ordinance will have a significant impact on every homeowner. The governing body is entrusted with looking out for the best interests of its residents.

Borough Attorney Cipriani reported that at the time the rules were proposed by the DEP, there were a number of municipalities and the League of Municipalities that submitted comments. No changes were made. Her recommendation is to adopt. The borough will be better served by passage and then trying to join with others or individually to get changes made.

Mayor White recommended to pass the ordinance.

ADJOURN CAUCUS Motion: Councilman Conti, second: Councilwoman Benz all in favor: Aye

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

CALL TO ORDER Mayor White called the meeting to order at 6:22 p.m.

MEETING STATEMENT- In compliance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting of the Mantoloking Borough Council has been advertised in the manner provided by law.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor White, Councilman Batcha, Councilwoman Benz, Councilman Conti, Councilman Donaldson
Dialed in: None
Absent: Councilman Amarante, Councilman Celentano
Also Present: Beverley A. Konopada, Borough Clerk, Lynne Hazelet, Deputy Clerk, Borough Attorney Jean Cipriani, Esq., Borough Administrator Brett Radi

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT- On agenda items only – no comments were made.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 24-37

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

RESOLVED, the Mantoloking Borough Council approved the minutes of the following meeting as printed and distributed.

Caucus-Regular Business Meeting- December 19, 2023

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ		X	X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI	X		X				
DONALDSON			X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES	NO X					

RESOLUTION NO. 24-38

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

RESOLVED, the Mantoloking Borough Council approved the minutes of the following meeting as printed and distributed.

Reorganization Meeting, January 2, 2024

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA	X		X				
BENZ					X		
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	3				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES	NO X					

ORDINANCE- ADOPTION - SECOND READING BY TITLE AND PUBLIC HEARING -

ORDINANCE-FIRST (INTRODUCTION) READING BY TITLE-

Once ordinances have been introduced by the governing body, they will be posted to the website within two business days. You may also email boroclerk@mantoloking.org for a copy. To access the ordinances on the website you will need to do so from your computer. The mobile app is limited, therefore, does not provide all the data and functionality that the desktop version does. Click on the Mayor and Council tab at the top of the webpage. Once the page has loaded, you will see items listed on the left side panel. Select Public Hearings Scheduled (the next meeting date will be listed).

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-14

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING THE REVISED AND RECODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING

WHEREAS, the present General Ordinances of the Borough of Mantoloking are in need of being revised and recodified; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mantoloking has completely revised the General Ordinances to create a new Borough Code for the Borough of Mantoloking; and

WHEREAS, the complete revision of the General Ordinances of the Borough of Mantoloking has been filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and shall be open to inspection and examination by the public; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Mantoloking shall remain on file with the Borough Clerk after final adoption and passage pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:49-4*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the governing body of the Township of Mantoloking, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Borough Council hereby adopts the revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Mantoloking.

SECTION 2. The revised General Ordinances shall be filed in the office of the Borough Clerk for the examination and inspection by the public until final action is taken on the revised General Ordinances, and that said copy of the revisions shall remain on file and be available for purchase after adoption.

SECTION 3. That by the adoption of these revised General Ordinances, the previous General Ordinances of the Borough of Mantoloking, as set forth in the Borough Code of the Borough of Mantoloking, are hereby repealed in their entirety.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

Amended at the table.

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA		X	X				
BENZ	X				X		
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON			X				
		VOTE	3				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES	NO X					

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed are considered to be routine by the governing body and will be approved by one motion. If separate discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Business Administrator Brett Radi offered two amendments to the following Resolutions:

- Resolution 24-42 Deputy Code Enforcement Officer needs to be removed
- Resolution 24-45 the number should be \$4,500,000.00 in both references.

RESOLUTIONS

- 24-39 Authorizing Acceptance of the Report of the Municipal Finance Officer
- 24-40 Authorizing the Adoption of the Appropriation Reserve Transfer #1
- 24-41 Authorizing the Appointment of Personnel- Part-Time Police Officer
- 24-42 Authorizing the Establishment of Administrative Employee Salaries for 2024
- 24-43 Amending Supervisor of Public Works' Contract
- 24-44 Authoring the Award of a Contract to Mitchell Humphrey & Co. for Proprietary Software Product License and Maintenance Support
- 24-45 Authorizing the Purchase of Treasury Bills

RESOLUTION NO. 24-39

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICER

RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Mantoloking accepting the report of the Municipal Finance Officer.

“SEE ATTACHED REPORT

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ	X		X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES X	NO					

RESOLUTION NO. 24-40

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE APPROPRIATION RESERVE TRANSFER #1

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-59 provides that in the first 3 months of the fiscal year, the amount of any appropriation reserve for the immediately preceding fiscal year is insufficient to pay the claims authorized or incurred during said preceding year which were chargeable to said appropriation, and there shall be an excess in any appropriation reserves over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill its purpose, the governing body may, by resolution adopted by not less than a 2/3 vote of the full membership thereof, transfer the amount of such excess to an appropriation reserve or an appropriation in the prior budget deemed to be insufficient to fulfill its purpose or for which no reserve was provided.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has advised the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mantoloking that the need for certain transfers within the 2023 Appropriation Reserves exists; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that these appropriation reserve transfers be made;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Mantoloking that the following budget transfers be made for the 2023 Appropriation Reserve balances:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>
Audit OE		\$ 5,000.00
Computer Technology OE		\$10,000.00
Tax Assessor OE		\$ 3,000.00
Insurance – Group Health Insurance OE		\$14,500.00
Police SW		\$ 7,500.00
Emergency Management SW		\$ 1,000.00

Emergency Management OE	\$ 1,000.00
Engineering OE	\$10,000.00
Police OE	\$ 7,500.00
Buildings & Grounds OE	\$ 5,000.00
Sewer OE	\$10,000.00
Ocean County Utilities Authority OE	\$ 7,500.00

TOTAL

\$41,000.00

\$41,000.00

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ	X		X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES X	NO					

RESOLUTION NO. 24-41

RESOLUTION: APPOINTMENT OF PERSONNEL – PART -TIME POLICE OFFICER

RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mantoloking, Ocean County, New Jersey approves the following appointments with the terms and conditions indicated:

Name	Position	Effective Date	Salary
Orrin Falby	Part-Time Police Officer	2/1/2024	\$18.00

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ	X		X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES X	NO					

RESOLUTION NO. 24-42

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE
EMPLOYEE SALARIES FOR 2024**

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended annual salaries for Borough employees for 2024;
and

WHEREAS, Council has endorsed the salary recommendations.

IT IS NOW, THEREFORE, this 16th of January, 2024, **RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and
Council of the Borough of Mantoloking, Ocean County, New Jersey, that the schedule set forth
below is adopted for 2024:

2024 REGULAR EMPLOYEES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Radi, Brett	Business Administrator	64,273.50
Boettger, Elizabeth	Court Administrator	26,835.47
	Court Call Out Incidents (3HR. Minimum)	20.00/HR
Burdge, Kelly	Administrative Assistant (Police Department)	66,405.77
DalCorso, Gary	Tax Assessor/Tax Appeal Agent	22,473.61
Faljean, Vanessa	TACO/Planning Board Secretary Planning Bd Recording Sec'y	62,131.05 \$100/Per
Session		
Morgano, Todd J.	Construction Official/Acting Building	42,169.71
Hazelet, Lynne	Deputy Borough Clerk/Deputy Registrar	73,047.99
	Recording Sec-Council Meeting	\$100.00 Per Session
Hulse, Paul Scott	Public Works Supervisor	100,826.13
Decker, Tyler	Public Works Laborer	50,000.00

2024 REGULAR EMPLOYEES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Patrick Donald	Public Works Laborer	54,632.48
Konopada, Beverley	Municipal Clerk Registrar of Vital Statics	111,996.57
Pintado, Steven G.	Finance/Tax Collector Administrative Assistant	62,871.97
Piszar, Ronald	Fire Official	4,471.12
	Fire Subcode Official (2 Hours Per Week)	6,578.68
	Add'l Hours Paid Hourly	\$38.50/HR

2024 REGULAR EMPLOYEES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Yezzi, April	Chief Financial Officer Tax Collector Qualified Purchasing Agent	109,924.64
Grenley, Stephen	Electrical Subcode Official	10,089.89
Purves, Glen	Plumbing Subcode Official	10,089.89

2024 PART TIME/ SEASONAL EMPLOYEES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Gluck, James	Magistrate	1,791.94/Court Session \$21,503.28 Annually
Morra, Donna	Deputy Court Administrator	\$100 Per Session
Smith, Pat	Administrative Assistant	\$30.81/HR
Burdge, Kelley	Beach Manager (Summer Stipend)	4,000.00/Beach Season
DeBrito, Stephen	Building Inspector	\$50.00/HR

Amended at the table

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ	X		X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES X	NO					

RESOLUTION NO. 24-43

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING SUPERVISOR OF PUBLIC WORKS' CONTRACT

WHEREAS, Scott Hulse is currently under an employment contract with the Borough of Mantoloking (hereinafter “Borough”) to serve as a Supervisor in the Department of Public Works;

WHEREAS, under the employment agreement, Mr. Hulse is set to receive a 2% annual salary increase for the coming calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to increase Mr. Hulse’s annual salary increase to 3.5% to ensure the Supervisor salary is competitive with similar positions; and

WHEREAS, the Borough may unilaterally amend Mr. Hulse’s employment contract to increase his annual salary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Mantoloking, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Borough grants Mr. Hulse a 3.5% annual increase, which shall take effect on January 1, 2024 (\$100,826.13).
2. That the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to execute and attest to, respectively, any documentation necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution, including, but not limited to, amending the current employment contract between the Borough and Mr. Hulse.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough Administrator and Mr. Hulse.

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ	X		X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES X	NO					

RESOLUTION NO. 24-44

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO MITCHELL HUMPHREY & CO. FOR PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE PRODUCT LICENSE AND MAINTENANCE SUPPORT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mantoloking wishes to enter into a maintenance contract with Mitchell Humphrey & Co., 1285 Fern Ridge Parkway, St. Louis, Missouri for a proprietary software product license and maintenance support relative to its government software solutions utilized by the boroughs Construction Department; and

WHEREAS, Mitchell Humphrey & Co. has submitted an invoice for its annual maintenance dated, December 15, 2023 in the amount of \$ 2,480.00 for a term of one (1) year, February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has determined that it is in the best interest of the borough to enter into a maintenance contract with Mitchell Humphrey for its proprietary software product license and maintenance support, at an annual cost of \$ 2,480.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mantoloking, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The governing body hereby authorizes a maintenance contract with Mitchell Humphrey & Co. for a term of one (1) year, February 1, 2024- January 31, 2025, in the amount of \$2,480.00.
2. That a copy of the maintenance agreement shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection at the Borough Clerk's Office during normal business hours.
3. That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Chief Financial Officer and Mitchell Humphrey & Co.

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ	X		X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES X	NO					

RESOLUTION NO. 24-45

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TREASURY BILL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mantoloking adopted a Cash Management Plan for 2024, and has included in the Cash Management Plan to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to invest in any investment instrument as approved by the State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 and N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1; and

WHEREAS, the considerations for such investments shall include rate of return, safety and liquidity; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has recommended the investment in Treasury Bills; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council wishes to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to purchase up to \$4,500,000.00 in Treasury Bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Mantoloking, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to invest up to \$4,500,000.00 in Treasury Bills.
2. That this Resolution shall be provided by the Clerk to the Borough Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer.

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ	X		X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI			X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES X	NO					

Amended at the table

BILL LIST

2024-46 Authorizing the payment of bills

RESOLUTION NO. 24-46

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MANTOLOKING, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, the municipal finance officer has presented

- A list of bills in the amount of \$163,725.15 with the recommendation they be paid, and
- A list of bills in the amount of \$297,831.93 that have been paid with the approval of the municipal clerk and the mayor, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the council approves the payment of all the bills and directs that a copy of these lists be attached to and made part of the minutes of this meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
AMARANTE						X	
BATCHA			X				
BENZ			X				
CELENTANO						X	
CONTI	X		X				
DONALDSON		X	X				
		VOTE	4				
MAYOR WHITE- TIE BREAKER							
CONSENT AGENDA	YES	NO X					

COUNCIL REPORTS

Administration-Chairwoman Barbara Benz

- Recodification- updated versions of the chapters provided to the public based upon feedback from town hall meetings and a number of updates since then. In a good position to move ahead with this.
- Thanked the legal team Robin Labue, Matt Donohue and Jean Cipriani for all their time and attention to the recodification project.

Finance-Chairman Anthony Amarante

Councilman Conti on behalf of the Finance Committee reported that the budget is in process.

Land Use-Chairman Brad Batcha

- Working on a few additional changes to the flood ordinance in an effort to increase the boroughs CRS points and save its residents money on their flood insurance policies.
- The Flood Committee met

Public Safety-Chairman Joseph Celentano - absent

Public Works-Chairman Frank Donaldson

- Downer entrance sustained some damage from the storm
- Strategy to repair the walkway and make it useable
- Will need authorization from NJDEP to fix walkway due to restriction on beach
- Scott Hulse will handle reconstructing the walkway
- The big issue is an environmental issue, need to do things right

Councilwoman Benz asked what was the issue with the sand. Councilman Donaldson explained that once you start touching the dunes and moving sand you need authorization and a permit. Part of the problem is there is sand missing.

Councilwoman Benz inquired if the borough had sustained any damage with the gates being up during the storm. Chief Ferris reported that Scott and his team deployed the flood gates twice. Some water entered the building.

Scott Hulse reported there was water in the sally port, some damage to the garage doors and some water in the lobby. Sandbags were also used.

Councilwoman Benz also inquired if the borough would be submitting the damage to the insurance company to which Clerk Konopada responded she is waiting for paperwork.

Recreation-Chairman John Conti - No Report

MAYOR , COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATOR COMMENT

Mayor White reported that the Flood Mitigation Committee is now formed and consists of the following members: Chairman John Conti, Brad Batcha, Jack Snyder, Sandy Diehl, Larry Plevier, Bob Mainberger Brett Radi and himself.

It was a very good meeting. A previous study was conducted in September 2020, led by Lynn O'Mealia and Larry Plevier. It was a tremendous study. All members of the committee have been supplied a copy of this and it will use as a base. There are very important projects coming up.

Councilman Conti- Flooding

- what can be done immediately
- what can be done over the intermediate term
- when the water rises two feet where do we need to be
- need updated elevation contour map for the town so we know the elevation of every property public and private around town
- need another survey of the back bay shore line so we know the heights of the bulkheads
- Committee identified several factors that are causing some the current problems
- Identified check valves that could be obsolete or clogged
- pipes going from the check valves to the catch basins could be in disrepair

- the bulkheads at the pumping stations street ends help Downer and at Lyman, what did not hold was the entire bulkhead at the Yacht Club. The street ends without bulkheads were a problem
- Arnold and Albertson we be addressed short term, they will probably need to be bulkheaded
- will have a meeting that talks about the prior bulkhead ordinance that we shelved, land heights for new development.

Councilman Batcha- Flooding needs to be a top priority for the town.

Councilman Conti asked what can the county assist the borough with and he provided some examples such as heavy equipment, army surplus, man power etc.

Mayor White reported that there are two new members of the fire company.

Scott Hulse responds to 96% of fire calls in this town and not far behind him are Doug Popaca, Lou Carlucci, and Bob McIntyre.

Borough Administrator Brett Radi- Scott Hulse and Chief Ferris's input will be invaluable as we assess conditions and issues in the town.

He thanked the Public Works Department and noted there was a new employee. He further noted that Scott Hulse and Chief Ferris have been invaluable keeping him up to date.

Scott Hulse -Two police officers helped to sandbag during the storm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- J.L. Barnegat Lane- requested to see additional changes to the flood chapter before Friday afternoon.
- Borough Attorney Cipriani – will try and set up a conference call with Frank, Robin, Brad and herself this week or next week and changes will be made immediately thereafter to be posted.
- J.L. Barnegat Lane -speed humps

Chief Ferris advised that they had a meeting when the resident was out of town. She will resend email profile, what they look like, the design.

- That project will be going forward in the spring, funding is in place.
- There was a fatality just south of here, hit and run. Use caution, pay attention.

NEXT MEETING Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the Steve Gillingham Meeting Room

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the meeting, it was motioned by Councilwoman Benz, seconded by Councilman Conti and approved by unanimous voice vote at 6:51 p.m. to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverley A. Konopada
Borough Clerk