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Mayor Nebel opened this meeting promptly at 4:30 p.m. All Council members were present. After the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and no public comments were heard, the minutes of the September meeting were passed.

Councilman Witkowski moved four resolutions: acceptance of the Municipal Finance Officer's report as printed as of August 30, 2011; payment of October bills totaling \$246,432; requesting the cancellation of grant-reserve balances (\$174.56); and the introduction of Ordinance #604, an amendment of the Borough general fee schedule. All resolutions were passed.

Councilman Gillingham called upon Chief Wright to give the Police Report. There were 205 incidents during this September-October period. They included two animal complaints, 49 building checks, a criminal mischief, four thefts, 83 time cards, six traffic enforcements and two borough ordinance violations.

Chief Wright said there have been several copper thefts. One group was caught at the scene on North Lagoon with copper in their truck. With so much construction and repair work, it is easy for a truck to be at a site and just remove downspouts and gutters. It looks like legal work. Call the police (732 892-0865) if you see anything like this.

Councilman Gillingham moved a resolution in support of the following: Chief Wright has given permission for the Jersey Shore Relay to Benefit Special Olympics to run through Mantoloking on Saturday, April 21, 2012. This will be the 16th year of this event. The runners will start in Seaside Heights and finish in Asbury Park. The course will take them on the north-bound side of Ocean Avenue, turn east at Lyman Street and continue north on East Avenue. This is sponsored by the New Jersey Special Olympics, the SENJ Special Children's Committee and the Jersey Shore Running Club.

A resolution to award a contract to purchase a police vehicle from Mall Chevrolet. Cherry Hill, NJ for \$30,250 was passed.

Fire Chief Doug Popaca wrote the Mantoloking Fire company responded to 16 fire calls, held three training drills and had one regularly scheduled business meeting in September. There were a structure fire and a gas leak in Brick, a power line down in Bay Head, two smoke

alarms in Mantoloking and the rest were all fire alarms, six in Bay Head, one in Mantoloking and four in Brick.

Councilwoman Nelson moved six resolutions: approve a grant application and execute a grant contract with the NJDOT for the Bay Avenue improvement projects; approve release of surety bond in conjunction with the demolition of property at 1093 Ocean Avenue; approve release of surety bond in conjunction with the demolition of property at 915 Lagoon Lane; confirming the appointment of Michael Clayton, a Fire Sub Code Official, effective October 3, 2011 to December 31, 2011; the appointment of Robert Furrange as Deputy Fire Sub Code Official, effective October 3, 2011; and, approve the shared service agreement for salt-shed use with the Borough of Bay Head. All resolutions were passed.

In September, Construction Official John Wardell issued 14 new and two updated building permits. They were for the destruction of two houses, burglar alarm systems, new home plans, renovations, a new roof, pool masonry and deck, irrigation, etc., etc.

Land Use Officer Marinaccio received 22 applications during September. Sixteen were approved, three were denied and two are under plan reviews. The applications were for garage sales, dumpsters, landscaping, decks, pools, fences and street openings.

Councilman Strohm reported that beach front property owners are to call the Borough, 732 899-6601, to reserve their share of dune grass which is scheduled to be delivered November 4, 2011 at Downer Avenue. Dune fencing is not available at this time. He said that bulldozing has begun north of Downer Avenue. Letters to owners will report the results of the recent dune walk.

Councilman Brown moved one resolution: approve the solid waste and recycling contract option No. 4 with Republic Services of NJ, LLC (Marpal Company.) It was passed. This is a one year extension option, at a price of \$130,924 for a term ending March 2, 2013. He also told residents that the Flood Insurance Plan remains for Mantoloking, Class #Six which continues to be a 20% discount.

Eileen McIntyre told council she had nine copper downspouts and gutters very neatly stolen from her house. She would like the police to patrol more often, to alter their schedule and shine lights on properties. . . .She also asked the police, because of the street construction on Rte. 35, to help guide cars leaving Albertson Street. It is difficult to see beyond the huge construction vehicles. We need the police to help residents, not just the construction workers.

Denise Boughton is reminding residents who have not picked up their Centennial logo items they ordered in the summer to call or email her to arrange a pickup. Her phone number is 732 899-9121 and her email is imagebuilders@optonline.net. Also, there will be new items available. A form with pictures and prices will be posted on the mantoloking.org website or email her for details. Proceeds from the sale of these items will be used to fund the commissioning of a Centennial Commemorative for the Borough of Mantoloking.

This Council meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m. The next Council meeting will be held Monday, November 21, 2011 at 4:30 p.m.