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Mayor Nebel presented Certificates of Recognition to George A. Downes, retiring as Mantoloking Fire Company president. Over the years, he has been fire chief and a strong proponent of fire prevention, of training and having the equipment to keep the borough safe. Three others who received recognition are Barbara Fischer for her conscientious activity of picking up trash along Mantoloking's hiways and biways; Richard C. Bradley for his seven years as a Planning Board member, and to G. Russell Henshaw for his eleven years as Planning Board chairman.

All Council members, except Mr. Brown, were present for this meeting. The minutes of the November meeting were approved.

Councilman Witkowski moved nine resolutions; the acceptance of Finance Officer Swisher's report as of October 31st; the payment of bills totalling \$274,217 for the month of November; and requesting a refund of escrow fees.

Resolutions requesting the cancellation of outstanding current checks (\$1,257.88) and requesting the cancellation of outstanding payroll checks (489.61.) The Borough closed the TD Bank account because of excessive fees and transferred to another bank; and a resolution to transfer current year appropriations (financial housekeeping) were passed.

Resolutions to approve the 2011 roster of council meetings; to call the State Legislature and the Governor to exempt the Reserve of collected Taxes from the 2% Cap (see resolution explanation and A:3603 on mantoloking.org); and adopting of Ordinance #591, THE Mantoloking Borough Salary Ordinance. All resolutions were passed.

Police Chief Wright reported 149 incidents for the November period which included one animal complaint, an ordinance violation, 46 building checks, two DWIs, 49 time cards, etc. . . . Fire Chief Doug Popaca wrote the Fire Company responded to nine fire calls, held one training drill and one regularly scheduled meeting. There were three water leaks (cold winds cause pipes to freeze: drain your pipes,) four alarms, a police assist and smoke in a house.

Councilman Gillingham moved three resolutions: to approve the application of Christopher Niebling for membership in the Mantoloking Fire Company; to allow New Jersey Water to color-code local fire hydrants; to support the New Jersey Special Olympics "Jersey Shore

Relay” on Saturday, April 16, 2011; and, provide that the Borough of Mantoloking shall NOT seek substantive certification of the housing Plan by COAH. All were approved.

Two resolutions, one to rescind the November introduction of proposed amended Ordinance #592 (Parking places for construction) that included all streets in the borough, and reintroduction of Ordinance #592 which includes only Route 35 and Barnegat Lane. Contractors must submit a parking plan. After a hearing, the ordinance was passed.

Councilwoman Nelson moved a resolution to appoint Salvatore Farruggia as deputy plumbing inspector as of November 23, 2010. It was passed.

Construction Official Wardell issued nine new permits in November for renovations, a pool, kitchens, etc.

Land Use Officer Marinaccio reported fifteen applications were received in November; seventeen were approved.

Councilman Strohm answered a comment which stated our dune experts are expensive. He attends free Cousteau Foundation seminars, learns a lot and meets experts and discusses DEP requirements regarding easements, rulings, etc. Mr. Strohm moved a resolution to adopt Ordinance #593, reconstruction and reinstallation of permitted dune area structures. After a hearing, it was adopted.

Councilman Ness is expecting a great Centennial Show. He moved the resolution authorizing execution of the contract between the Borough of Mantoloking and Fireworks by Grucci, Inc. The resolution was passed and the show is on. He thanked the Mayor and Council for their support.

Mayor Nebel said the tax assessment workbook is available and the values of all Mantoloking properties are in it.

Peter Flihan asked who will pick up electronic trash after the first of the year. No one, but Joyce Popaca, our representative on the Point Pleasant Beach School Board, said the PPB Education Foundation will have, on February 3, 2011, a drop-off point (to be announced where) for electronic stuff in any condition, computers, tvs, printers, anything electrical.

Ray Kalanikis of Manalapan, came again, didn't convey much.

Organization Council Meeting will be January 3, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. The next regular council meeting will be January 18, 2011 at 4:30 p.m.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR