



Mantoloking Reporter

March 18, 2014

Number 476

The regular monthly meeting of the Mayor and Council was called to order March 18, 2013 at 4:30 PM by Council President Steve Gillingham.

The agenda for the regular business and special meetings will be made available in advance of the meeting on the Borough website.

Minutes of the previous Regular meeting was approved.

Privilege of the Floor

JL questioned the need for discussion on parameters for the architect for the new Boro Hall prior to a vote being taken on the resolution to insure these are consistent with the town needs and budget.

Taxpayers should be aware. Beth Nelson explained that specifics will be set forth.

HR - is there a cap?

Councilman Gillingham, Finance Committee , moved to accept the report of the Municipal Finance Officer, Michele Swisher as of January 31, 2014 . Expenditures year to date total \$176,011.71, encumbered \$53,804.98 for a balance of \$1,053,083.31 vs budget of \$1,282,900.00.

Additional resolutions were passed: (1)payment of bills \$801,130.28 for March.(2) temporary emergency appropriations #2 totaling \$998,200...of which \$45,000 allocated to salary/wages, the balance to operating expenses including sheeting project (\$406,000) , health insurance, etc.

These temporary appropriations are necessary prior to the adoption of the budget and regular appropriations. Our governing body, by resolution adopted by a 2/3 vote may make these emergency temporary appropriations for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the budget for said year. (3) adopt appropriation reserve transfer #3 - \$23,000 from S/W to O/E (4) resolution to introduce the 2014 Municipal Budget

Key Facts

- 1, The proposed local budget for 2014 is \$1,052,512 (28%) more than was expended in 2011 prior to Sandy
2. The proposed tax levy to support this budget is \$40,692 (1.4%) more than 2011
3. Budgets before Sandy included insignificant State and Federal support. More than 36% of next years proposed total budget will come from State and Federal funds
4. **23 1/2%** of the proposed budget would pay for public safety services , **15.4%** for general government and administration, **18.8%**

for insurance and employee benefits and **14.7%** for public works and beach maintenance.....the remainder for 9 other categories!

5. Despite a significant reduction in local property values and increase in the cost of local services, the average municipal property tax bill is projected to be less than \$900.00 higher than in 2011.

(5) authorized check signers should the Mayor, Boro Clerk or Chief Financial Officer be unavailable.

2014 Workshop meetings will take place at Borough Hall / Drum Point Rd

8:30 AM May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug 13, Sept 10, Oct 15, Nov 19 and Dec 10

Regular meetings will take place at MYC 4: 30 PM Apr 22, May 20, June 17, July 15, Aug 19, Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 25 and Dec 16

Check web site for possible relocation to Manto Fire House

Councilman Mc Intyre, Public Safety Committee - moved 1 resolution approving the sale of surplus municipal property to the highest bidders.

Police Chief Mark Chief Wright - Reported 144 Police related responses for the month of March. These included 38 motor vehicle summonses, 0 complaints summons, 3 Ordinance violations, 7 arrests, 11 agency assists, 9 burglar and 2 fire alarms.

In 2013 Manto had total of 1383 complaints filed:

indictable offenses 2, disorderly persons 56, Borough ordinances 75, DWI tickets 21, traffic tickets 743 and parking tickets 486

Fire Chief Larry Gilman - Thank you for your donations!

During the month of February, the MFC responded to 11 fire calls, held 2 training drills and our regularly scheduled business meeting.

Responses included fire alarms, Co alarms, gas leaks, water leaks, and dumpster fire in Bay Head

Mantoloking Fire Company No. 1

P.O. Box 213

Mantoloking New Jersey 08738

Officers

President:
Foster Voorhees
Vice President:
Douglas Popaca
Secretary:
Lance White
Treasurer:
Kevin Doyle

Line Officers

Chief:
Larry Gilman
Assistant Chief
Courtney Bixby
Captain:
Scott Hulse
Lieutenant:
Lance White
Fire Police Captain:
Sandy McIntyre
Fire Police Lieutenant
Barbara DeAmicis

Trustees

Bill Heckman
Larry Gilman
Denise Boughton

Roster

Kathleen Bixby
Dr. Michael Doyle
Stacy Ferris
Stephen Foley
William Goble
Mark Hawkings
Neil Huber
Susan Laymon
Fred May
Robert McIntyre
Chris Nelson
Chris Niebling
Chip Peterson
Constance Pilling
Irene Ryan
Jake Schmierer
Craig Symons
Chris Szczygiel
Jamie Weissenborn
Christine Wilder

Dear Neighbor,

We, the volunteer members of Mantoloking Fire Company No. 1 would like to extend our sincere thanks for your support during a difficult 2012/2013.

Our objective is to continue to provide Mantoloking with the best fire protection possible at the lowest cost. We need the help of each and every homeowner to support the Mantoloking Fire Company No. 1 toward achieving this goal. Our volunteer members are highly trained individuals who provide protection to our community twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

The Mantoloking Fire Company No. 1 would be grateful for your continued support in 2013/2014 of the dedicated individuals whose goal is to keep our community safe.

We hope we can count on your generosity once again for a contribution of \$150.00.

Please make checks payable to:

Mantoloking Fire Company No. 1

Thank you again for your support.

Larry Gilman

Foster Voorhees

Contributions to Mantoloking Fire Company No.1 are tax deductible under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Repeating so the message stays front and center:

Chief Gilman also reported on the intention of the MFC to engage in a membership drive to attract more and younger volunteer recruits to our ranks as part of a longer term strategy. One notion being considered is to offer to reimburse the recruit for attending the Fire Fighter One Training Course, currently requiring a commitment of **185 hours**. Eligibility would be contingent upon successful completion and passing

of the course and a few other stipulations to be worked out. Estimated cost per recruit is approx \$1500.00. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please contact Larry or any MFC member !!

OEM Coordinator Robert McIntyre - submitted by Sergeant Stacy Ferris - OEM continues to be busy working on the recovery and restoration of the Borough of Mantoloking.

Daily activities include coordinating and directing the planning, organization and control of the Federal Disaster DR4086. To date, we have 16 open projects, 9 large, 5 small and 2 unobligated.

To date, the Borough has received \$4,397,517.82 of the \$7,278,890.40 submitted. We are projecting total submitted to reach close to \$10,000,000.

RT 35 Reconstruction Project:

Oem, Fire, Police and Mayor continue to meet with DOT on issues every Wednesday. Council members should forward all complaints/issues via website so they can be addressed. At the March 12 meeting with DOT it was reported that there will be no construction from Downer north to Lyman until after Labor Day. Agate must have the highway open for two lanes of traffic by noon May 23 prior to Memorial day weekend. It is yet to be determined when they must cease and desist for the summer season!

Borough Hall

OEM has received 11 bid proposals to remove asbestos and the award will be made to the lowest bidder with a 30 day completion date. Once this is completed, the demolition will be scheduled.

Beach Replenishment

Public works placed \$98,000 worth of sand on the beach this month which equated to 6,000 cubic yards.....arranged by and reimbursed by DEP.

Burke construction placed 40 truck loads- 1,000 cubic yards for FREE. Agate has hauled over 100 truckloads of sand to Lyman, Downer and Princeton beach fronts.

Hazard Mitigation

Several months ago, Stacy wrote an application for mitigation funds to

make improvements to the Boro building that survived the storm. In the application, we applied for approx \$100,000 to update MFC and Public works buildings with hurricane proof glass, resistant garage doors and flood gates. We have been placed in the priority group to receive money from County and State.

Permanent Pump Station

We continue to work with State and Fema to get this project approved.

Please make note of new email address for OEM

oem@mantoloking.org

WE HAVE A DESIGNATED AM RADIO STATION - 1670

BROADCASTING 24/7

***CURRENTLY, YOU WILL HEAR NOAH WEATHER STATION
EMERGENCY INFORMATION WILL BE BROADCAST HERE***

PLEASE FRIEND OEM ON FACEBOOK

"MANTOLOKING OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT"

Councilwoman Nelson, Public Works Committee, - moved 11 resolutions - (1) providing for the acceptance of committee report concerning Manto Boro Hall replacement and authorizing the hiring of an architect (2) authorize award of contracts for 2014 professional deputy zoning and land use officer - Gregory Oross and Ervin Oross at \$50.00/hr (3) providing for the purchase of used street sweeper from PPB \$7,500 (4) providing for compensated medical leave for Barbara Allen Wooley-Dillon (5) approve one-time employee benefits to Larry Gilman - converting unused vacation time to cash (6) payment 14 - emergency bypass pumping system \$5,782.00 (7) misc supply, service and maintenance contracts for 2014 \$65,000 (8) provide for award of contract for asbestos abatement for Boro Hall - bid range \$42,900 - \$152,700. Shade Environmental was the lowest bidder and will be awarded the contract. (9) approve release of surety bond to Dearborn Builders (10) refund fees and overpayments in the construction dept (11) introduce Ordinance 637 revising building sub code fees.

Beth explained that our books have to balance - we need to raise fees to

cover the costs.

Public Works: Always busy!!.....cleaning, repairing, installing, removing , responding (6 MFC calls) , **pushing**....and..... PLOWING ...and PLOWING...!!!!. Great job! Thank you

Construction Official -Timothy Skinner - 29 permits were issued in February along with 16 updates. Permit and certificate fees collected totaled \$37,882.00

Land Use/Zoning Officer- Barbara Allen Woolley- Dillon

Reviewed a total of 36 permit requests during the month of January, 27 were approved.

Requests included 5 temporary locations/raising home, 5 new homes, garages, additions, fences, decks,dumpsters, trailers, porches, additions, storm water management, pods , pools and portas.

During 2013, 487 zoning permits were reviewed, 393 approved - 73% These included 51 decks, 59 fences, 4 pools, 14 hard scape, 2 flagpoles, 1 shed, 84 dumpsters, 51 portas, 19 pods, 5 trailers, 36 raises/temp relocations, 10 garages, 12 additions, 12 air conditioning units, 2 stairs, 7 tents and 1 garage sale!

Councilman Strohm, Dune & Beach Replenishment Committee - moved 1 resolution- providing for emergency purchase of sand for dune restoration. The NJDEP has represented that it will reimburse the Boro expenditure for emergency sand placement up to \$100,000.

Councilman Brown, Municipal Services Committee - all important notifications will be posted on the Manto website. Please provide your email address to receive reports directly!!

Councilmen Chris Nelson, Mantoloking Committee, -moved to designate John Wesson as the town historian.

Mayor and Council Comment Session -

Next Council Workshop Meeting - Wednesday May 14, 2014 8:30
Borough Temp Offices

Next Regular Meeting April 22 , 2014 4:30 PM at MYC

Public Comments Session

SW - concerned about apparent abandoned properties - these need to be cleaned up or demolished before town can heal - what more can we be doing?

will consult with Boro attorney for options

DR - treasurer of Manto Beach Assoc - will beaches be open this summer?

discussions are ongoing - objective is to make beaches accessible to the extent possible and safe.

HR - time is of the essence here as planning needs to be done and lifeguards hired, etc

Will we still have reverse 911?

YES

PF - lots of pedestrian traffic on the dunes - is anything being done?

Yes - we will be resuming ATV patrols - this is a public safety issue

what is status of trailers on Boro properties - will they be permitted this summer? there is concern that people will prolong rebuilding and live in trailers....they do not enhance the surrounding properties.

Previous ordinance was for a one year term. Not sure if a new application can be made. We need to consider the demand/need. It was not the intent of the ordinance to allow prolonged habitation of these trailers.

Will there be any shoulders on Rt 35 this summer?

There should be curbs and sidewalks on the west side....trying for shoulder capacity

What is projected start date of revetment?

April - with an approx 6 month duration.....2-4 week delivery lead time required for materials

Any news on ACE project?

ACE still working on designs for the replenishment project...best guess would be for an early October start date.

Will there be beach access during the revetment installation?

Hoping to make provisions at street ends...Lyman, Downer, and Princeton with the possibility of negotiation with private ocean front property owners for pedestrian access as a back up . There will be areas that will not have direct access to the beach during construction.

How will the steel sheets be inserted....in segments?

yes - it will advance in stages - 100 linear feet per day.....we do not decide ...the contractor will decide how the segments will be determined ...methods and means...we will input on safety concerns, etc.

There have been an increased number of fires in the region...burst pipes

have also become an issue...pay attention and report anything unusual observed.

PLEASE REGISTER WITH THE TOWN IF YOU HAVE REPOPULATED!!!! INSPECTIONS NEED TO BE DONE FOR YOUR SAFETY AND THOSE AROUND YOU.

Many residents have complained about sediment or brown color in their water. Installing a filter might help. Check also with New Jersey American Water .

Questions/Comments

MANTO STRONGER!!!!

I receive emails from residents concerning dog poop and off leash pets. It would appear that dog owners are not picking up after their pooches on the beach and around town. Please be considerate...PICK IT UP!!! Kindly keep your dogs under your control and OFF THE DUNES if not on a leash.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

The BLUE BOOKS are in the mail. Please email me with updates that will be posted accordingly in the Reporter
Omissions/corrections will be posted here with apologies!

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