



Mantoloking Reporter

June 25, 2013



*Our most heart felt condolences to the family of
Manto's friend*

James Gandolfini

Number 466

The regular monthly meeting of the Mayor and Council was called to order June 25, 2013 at 4:30 PM by Mayor Nebel. All Council members were present.

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 Special Meeting of April 8, 2013 and Regular Meeting April 23, 2013 were approved.

Councilman Gillingham, Finance Committee, moved to accept the report of the Municipal Finance Officer, Michele Swisher as of April 30, 2013. Expenditures year to date total \$1,107,488.06, encumbered \$25,758.92 for a balance of \$1,015,103.02 vs budget of \$2,148,350. Revenues year to date \$3,726,036.87. Three additional resolutions were moved and passed..payment of bills for June, authorize issuance of a \$5,800,000 special emergency note for Borough of Mantoloking for Hurricane Sandy related expenses, and the approval of the 2013 Municipal budget. A summary of the budget is available on the Borough website. Highlights -revenues \$5,671,304.96 vs \$4,049,321.94 in 2012. Special revenues \$2,553,074 (possibly non recurring) and raised by taxes \$2,259,678 ...a decrease of approx. \$678,000 vs 2012. Total assessed valuations are down abt 33% vs 2012. The municipal tax rate for 2013 .208 vs .182 reflecting a 14.6% increase. Special revenues have made it possible to reduce the tax levy by 23.1% Appropriations \$5,671,304.96 VS \$4,034,728.78...an increase of approx. \$1,600,000. Total full and part time employees 59.

Public Comments

Concerns that our taxes will triple in 10 years

The 2013 Budget was unanimously approved

Councilman Mc Intyre, Public Safety Committee - moved three resolutions in addition to the reports for Police, Fire and OEM...appointment of 2 badge checkers at \$8.50/hr , approval of MFC member application of Jeanne Hulse and following a public hearing the resolution to approve Ordinance 623 regarding Beach Access amendments. **All badges are good for beach access**, although Private Association badges will still be required on the guarded beaches in the Borough and are available for purchase on sight.

Police Chief Mark Chief Wright - Reported 74 Police related responses for the month of June. These included 26 motor vehicle summonses, 2 complaints, 6 Ordinance violations, 2 arrests, 8 agency assists, 6 burglar and 1 fire alarm.

Fire Chief Larry Gilman - MFC responded to 19 fire calls and held 2 training drills in addition to the regular monthly meeting. One structure fire (Brick)and 1 electrical fire (Brick), along with various alarms and gas leaks were among the incidents.

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 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 completed 11 Project Work Sheets totaling \$5.7 million, with an obligation of \$4.275 million to the Borough. We are currently working on 2 projects for the Pump Station and sewer laterals for an additional \$1.1 million. There are additional "in progress" projects to possibly be written for debris, beach repair, emergency protective measures, road repairs, etc.
Resident and Contractor passes ends July 1, 2013

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Councilwoman Nelson, Public Works Committee, moved four resolutions - acceptance of resignation of John Wardell, appointment of Gary Dalorso to the position of Tax Assessor/Tax Appeal Agent with an annual salary of \$14,950, payment estimate 2 for demolition and debris removal and provision for change order 4 for demo and debris removal.

Public comments: Ordinance 621 Soil Disturbance Regulations
Concerns continue over the definitions - (Atlantic Plants Owner) will still need permit to remove and replace gravel as 10 yards is very small - the Ordinance is extreme and should provide for a min of 25-30 yards before permit .

Mr Wolf - definitions are still too broad - need to be clearer

Response - landscaping stones do not require a permit - the concern expressed by the ordinance is for the import of materials and the possibility for contamination ...the Borough requires certification that the materials are not contaminated.

Stan W - example - both his neighbors experienced Sandy related grade reductions in excess of ten feet...they brought in tons of soil. As a result, he is experiencing flooding that did not occur before because there were no regulations or oversight in place.

Ordinance 621 passed

Introduction of Ordinance 624 - Amendment of Land Use Bulk Standards

Introduction of Ordinance 625 - Amending Flood Damage Ordinance 618

Public Works: Always busy!!.....repairing and opening beach access

at Williams, Newman, Stephens, Downer and Princeton Avenues, pushing sand, cutting down trees and cleaning up around the Borough, responding to MFC calls, servicing Borough equipment , building our new trash and recycle containers for the beach access points, etc.

Construction Official - Timothy Skinner - there were 116 permits and 39 updates issues in the month of May. The Borough collected fees totaling \$23,671 and penalties of \$2,000.

Land Use/Zoning Officer- Barbara Allen Woolley- Dillon
Reviewed a total of 34 permit requests during the month of May, 31 were approved. Requests included 4 temporary locations/raising home, garages, additions, fences, dumpsters, pods and portas.

Councilman Strohm, Dune & Beach Replenishment Committee - Keep Off The Dune signs are available to ocean front owners in the Borough and can be picked up in the OEM office / Public Works Building. Please report dune trespassers to MPD.

Councilman Brown, Municipal Services Committee -repeated his warning regarding the hazard associated with dead trees and vegetation...please remove asap and encourage neighbors to do the same.

Councilmen Ness, Mantoloking Committee, - moved two resolutions - appointment of John Wesson to the Environmental Commission and the modification of the Solid Waste Disposal contract. Curbside collection has begun town wide Mondays and Thursdays....recycling Wednesdays!!

Mayor and Council Comment Session -

CHANGE OF REGULAR MEETING DATES FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE JULY 16 4:30
AT THE MANTOLOKING YACHT CLUB

AUGUST 20, 2013 4 30 MYC
SEPTEMBER 17, 2013 4 30 MYC

Public Comments Session

UPDATE 14- CHRIS NELSON

Outline of update posted on Borough website!

A moment of silence and remembrance for James Gandolfini

HIGHLIGHTS:

BAY

Agreements have been made with Borough homeowners for the staging of sand - 1 in the north and 1 in the south end of Manto. Process will take about 2 months and the sand returning to the beach will initially look dark brown...it will eventually whiten up.

DEBRIS

Demolition schedule will be posted on the web site...35 of 46 demos completed...Barnegat almost complete followed by East and Ocean Ave locations. Three homes are still in historical review. Air monitoring continues around homes with asbestos issues...so far no alarms have sounded! Target is to have all homes down by July 3 with debris removal to follow

Public dumpsters will depart July 1.

REPLENISHMENT

Daily conversation with officials regarding revetments and replenishment...there is optimism and hopefully good news soon

BEACH

Badges are available for both public and "private" beaches in town and WILL BE MANDATORY. Enforcement by both checkers and MPD will be vigilant. PLEASE NO COOLERS ON THE BEACH

Planning Board- Tom McIntyre- Fema released the new BFEs
You can find your BFE by going to

www.region2coastal.com/sandy/table

Although not totally final - this begins the regulatory process...final maps will be approved in 12-18 months.

For Manto, we saw a reduction of Bayside "v" zone designations of around 68%. Those still in a "v" zone will have BFE of 10' or 11' depending on where you are in town. "A" zones are at 9' on the water and 8' off the water. Along the ocean, BFEs range 12-15'. The town adds a 1' freeboard. The structure determines which designation you are in if you have split properties.

There will be amendments to "foot note 10" /Ordinance 624 already approved in April. The minimum first floor elevation will be the Fema BFE plus 1' and an additional plus 2' in the v zone. The maximum first floor elevation shall be up to 9' **from the crown of the road** - 22' for ocean front, 14' for bay front and 12' for all others plus the Vertical Building Envelope Modification Factor.

Questions/Comments

Atlantic Plants - be patient with trees - many will come back

Severe flooding on Barnegat Lane - what can be done?

The cleaning has been completed - Fema does not pay for cameras to inspect storm drains - will send team to look at cheque valves and see if there is a blockage.

Reminder that dumpsters and porta johns require permits

Concern from many residents over certified letter of unsafe conditions received from the Borough. Apologies for the unfortunate wording of the letter - a new and clearer one will be issued... but please respond in writing with your intentions asap. A reminder will go out in early July.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

If you have a Manto community related message or event you would like to post, please submit by the 15th of the month. Please include your contact information.

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