

Mantoloking Reporter

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AGENDA for July 15, 2014 Council Meeting
Ordinance 641**

Agenda of the Workshop Meeting
July 9, 2014
Mantoloking Borough Offices
340 Drum Point Road
Brick , NJ
8:30 am

Review of agenda items

Finance Committee: Usual reports for the month of July, refund of tax overpayment due to appeal, official personnel designation - Bev Konopada as acting Borough Clerk and other responsibilities at a salary of \$42,000

Public Works Committee: Reports from Public works, Construction and Land Use Officer
Resolution - change order request for emergency temporary bypass pumping

system, payment 17, approve Borough Hall staff termination or Ervin Oross as Deputy Land Use Officer

Barb has had her surgery and will not be returning soon - there will be an interim appointment.....our thoughts are with her!!!

Public hearing on Ordinance 639 - Adoption of Bond Ordinance providing for various road and sidewalk improvements \$663,809 issuance

Public hearing Ordinance 640 - adoption of Bond Ordinance for preliminary expenses in connection with the construction of a municipal building \$285,714 issuance

Public Safety Committee: Reports of Police, Fire Oem and Municipal Court
Public hearing on Ordinance 641

Adoption of Ordinance 641 -basically allowing for the appointment of a civilian Police Director in accordance with terms and conditions

** this has been revised since this meeting - check website for new version which now designates former Police Chief Garon to this position

Resolution - payment of conflict judge as temporary substitute for Judge Morris - \$800.00

Dune and Beach Renourishment Committee: - no report

Municipal Services Committee - no report

Mantoloking Committee - absent

Mayor and Council Comment:

Councilman Gillingham proposed a consistent format be used for the presentation of Ordinances to include the sponsor and explanation of the purpose of such in a clear manner so all can understand!! WELL DONE

Councilwoman Nelson - regarding dune decks - hopefully will confirm that as long as they are properly secured - will not have to be constructed on pilings

Councilman Brown - re Police Director - clarification on what Ordinance does - according to Steve Gillingham - Ordinance PERMITS Council to hire a Civilian Director.....

A question was raised re salary and requirements and whether this had been researched in regard to the position - Steve replied that that is a separate issue....the actual action of hiring one and establishing those guidelines is another issue...salary range not part of this ordinance

Councilman McIntyre - has received calls regarding traffic safety along Bay Avenue - feels it is not prudent to make any changes at this time to the prevailing traffic pattern in that area...would be more confusing and suggested vigilance

Public Comment:

jl - differing comments on police director and salary range issue

SGillingham suggested reading ordinance and comment which explains...

jl - in conflict with memo from mayor indicating interviews taking place and intent for immediate appointment...what are requirements, salary etc

Mayor Nebel - there will be salary etc when appointment is made once ordinance is passed and intention is to appoint immediately

doesn't necessarily coincide with explanation that ordinance permits but does not mean they will appoint

what are qualification - are we advertising? according to mayor getting resumes without advertising

JBrown are we hiring? Mayor - yes immediately

Mayor - its going to happen - ordinance says maybe

dr-is position additive - no

is it temporary - yes

time frame months or year?

mayor - less than a year

will we hire chief from within

currently looking at 3 candidates from within

intention to select 1

EO-report will be made following interviews with candidates prior to selection up to mayor and council to decide

cl- why are we even doing this for just a matter of months since we intend to hire from within - why incur all this expense...why the need to incur expense of civilian director - seems to be working fine since July 1

cl - issue with temporary lights and generators which run all night - noise is horrendous - needs to be shut off

ph - requested to be on selection committee - was turned down

jl - are you interviewing for safety director position - yes

have you interviewed for chief - no

ph - since 3 people being considered for chief are all known to town - what new do you think you are going to discover - is there a personal agenda here - community very upset

dn - vetting process - selection committee Strohm Gillingham McIntyre Bixby

will there be specific list of questions and will committee meet as a group prior to selection? meantime considering temporary director position - must have a time frame in mind when interviewing for position - will there be a contract - RM - no on an "as needed" basis to handle administrative duties

pf- why are all these people here - we are confused - its obvious what is going on - department has been running well since July 1 cant see why we need to have a civilian director...Lt Barcus doing a good job don't understand why this has to happen - get feeling there is another agenda here....personal vendetta

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RMcintyre - more complex then it seems - not always based upon length of service - need outside input to assist in sorting out- shared frustration all the way around- want to come up with right questions that reflect concerns of the community

EO-will demonstrate that there is no collusion - that there is a process and it will be transcribed - can be made public if participants agree....Borough has been threatened with litigation and needs to proceed cautiously..actions will not be capricious or arbitrary

ph- concerns began when the rules and regs of the police department were changed

EO - solely at the discretion of council to make these changes

ph- was obvious at the time what the intentions were with the changes made to requirements for chief

cl - why did we need to make these changes in the regulations - never needed this before

mayor - we felt the changes were necessary

steel revetment will begin !

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