

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Monday, June 27, 2011 at 1:20 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Frank J. Calandriello presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice was provided by mail and fax to the official City newspapers and to other interested parties and by posting the meeting notice on the bulletin boards in City Hall.

Councilmembers Present: Tana M. Raymond, Louis G. Aloia, and Frank J. Calandriello  
Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney and Stanley J. Moskal  
City Officials Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo and Fire Chief James Kovacs

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The Lanza Avenue Water Line and Roadway Improvement Project and the new State standards for handicapped ramps at street intersections and the need to change the plans and specifications to address intersections in connection with this project.
2. New State Stormwater Management regulations.

#### CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 11-213

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to exclude the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that such circumstances now exist,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that a "Closed Session" is hereby called at 1:35 P.M. on Monday, June 27, 2011, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- \* Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (meeting with Fire Chief James Kovacs concerning ordinances to allow volunteer firefighters to reside outside the City of Garfield; proposed background check of firefighter candidates; proposed ordinance adopting Fire Department Book of Standard Operating Procedures).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On call of roll, Ayes 3, Absent 2-  
Councilmembers Delaney and Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

#### EXIT AND ARRIVAL OF VARIOUS CITY OFFICIALS

Immediately after the City Council voted to go into Closed Session, Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo left the meeting. At 2:00 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell joined the meeting during Closed Session. At 2:15 PM, Fire Chief James Kovacs left the meeting and Superintendent of Public Works Garofalo re-joined the meeting. It was duly noted for the record.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 2:15 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

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1. The Lanza Avenue Improvement.
2. The Vornado/South Garfield Redevelopment Streetscape Improvement on Passaic Street.
3. Stormwater Management Regulations.

ARRIVAL OF INTERIM CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER RIGGITANO

At 2:25 PM, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano joined the meeting and it was duly noted for the record.

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4. The 909 River Drive Environmental Remediation.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 11-214

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to exclude the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that such circumstances now exist,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that a "Closed Session" is hereby called at 3:10 P.M. on Monday, June 27, 2011, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- \* Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (delinquent sewer bills).
- \* Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (proposed \$2,500.00 stipend to Junior Boilermakers Football program; Police Department Table of Organization; proposed Police Officer appointments; Jewell Street Redevelopment; Bergen County Community Action Partnership help center expansion on Midland Avenue).
- \* Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplinary action of personnel unless the individual in the right request a public meeting in writing; (proposed appointment of James Tighe to succeed Kurt Hielle as Tax Assessor; Lysa DeLaurentis as All Humane Animal Control Officer; Library personnel; adjustment of retiree prescription benefits; Police Department Table of Organization, proposed Police Officer appointments; overtime grievance by Police Officer Everett Garnto; Mary Delahanty as Senior Clerk Typist; assignment of Lisa Sokulski in Health Department and City Hall; John Gervato interest in city position; \$50,000.00 budget cut in Building Department; staffing in the Building Department).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On call of roll, Ayes 3, Absent 2 -  
Councilmembers Delaney and Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

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EXIT OF CITY ENGINEER BOSWELL AND  
ARRIVAL OF LABOR COUNSEL RANDAZZO

At 3:15 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell left the meeting and Labor Counsel Joseph Randazzo joined the meeting during Closed Session and it was duly noted for the record.

RESOLUTIONS

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 5:00 PM, they acted on the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 11-215

WHEREAS, James Tighe, of 2 Brush Hill Terrace, Kinnelon, NJ 07452 is a qualified Municipal Tax Assessor, and

WHEREAS, State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Taxation, advises that James Tighe has successfully completed the examination for a Tax Assessor Certificate issued on December 4, 1989,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, James Tighe, be and is hereby appointed as Tax Assessor in the City of Garfield, effective immediately, at an annual salary of \$32,500.00 and he shall be paid as all other municipal employees are paid.

On call of roll, Ayes 3, Absent 2 -  
Councilmembers Delaney and Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:05 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Raymond moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 3, Absent 2 -  
Councilmembers Delaney and Moskal

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK

