

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, July 20, 2010 at 8:25 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Deputy Mayor Stanley J. Moskal 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, Joseph Delaney, Louis G. Aloia and Stanley J. Moskal

Councilmembers Absent: Frank J. Calandriello

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Joseph J. Rotolo, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

FIRE PREVENTION GRANT PRESENTATION

Fire Service Program Coordinator John Antola, Jr. of the New York Operations Office of Factory Mutual Insurance Company, 270 Central Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919, publicly presented a \$2,000.00 check to Garfield Fire Official Gerald Walis in connection with an FM Global Fire Prevention grant to fund the purchase of various fire prevention education materials.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH PBA LOCAL NO. 46

City Manager Duch reported on the settlement agreement with Garfield PBA Local No. 46, and each Councilmember present spoke on the agreement.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Councilmember Raymond moved to approve the Reports of the Cabinet as presented orally and in writing during the Work Session held earlier this evening. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Mayor Calandriello

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 10-234

RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL NO. 46 OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield (hereafter "the City") and The Policemen's Benevolent Association Local No. 46 (hereafter "the PBA") have agreed to renegotiate the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement in order to avoid imminent layoffs and demotions; and

Whereas, the PBA and the City have arrived at an agreement and have set forth the terms of the their agreement in a Memorandum of Agreement, a true copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement in the form attached, hereto as Exhibit A, has been approved by the PBA and signed by the appropriate representative thereof and is now presented to the City for its formal approval; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement reflects the terms and conditions negotiated between the City and the Union:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Garfield approves the form of Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Garfield and The Policemen's Benevolent Association Local No. 46 concerning the terms and conditions of employment of the persons covered under the Collective Bargaining Agreement and as modified/amended by the Memorandum of Agreement which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, the City Manager and the City Clerk are likewise authorized to sign and to attest the Memorandum of Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and approved by Special Counsel to the City; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Memorandum of the Agreement shall be countersigned by the Mayor of the City of Garfield and the Clerk of the City of Garfield, and the seal of the City affixed thereto as evidence of the City's approval;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate salary ordinance be prepared and presented for adoption to reflect the adjustments in salary and benefits as contemplated by the Memorandum of Agreement.

On call of roll, Ayes 3,
Abstain 1 – Councilmember Delaney,
Absent 1 – Mayor Calandriello

(Sgd) Tana M. Raymond
Louis G. Aloia

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WHEREAS, the City of Garfield participates in the LOSAP program; and

WHEREAS, members of the Fire Department and other volunteer services are enrolled in such a program; and

WHEREAS, it has now become necessary to adopt a Resolution confirming certain information in connection with the withdrawal of funds from a LOSAP account,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Council hereby confirm that John Hrebenuk has passed away and his father is the individual authorized to request that the funds be returned.
2. The Mayor and Council further confirm that Jan Sotak has passed away and the funds have been released to his beneficiary. This release is hereby approved.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Lincoln Financial Advisors as well as the Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Mayor Calandriello

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Tana M. Raymond

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 10-236

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bills covering Current Fund totaling \$280,884.71 and Water Fund Current totaling \$403,224.66 and Water Capital Fund totaling \$3,555.00 per attached Computer Lists, be ordered paid and the proper officers are hereby authorized to issue checks for same provided there are funds in the respective appropriations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer in issuing checks in payment on the Ratification List, which includes thirteen (13) items prior to the meeting, be ratified.

See

The

Following

Pages Numbered _____

For Bills and Claims

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mr. Stewart Walters, 225 Midland Avenue, spoke on the Palisade Avenue Water Line Improvement Project and the Lanza Avenue Water Line Improvement Project.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Raymond spoke on National Night Out scheduled to be held Tuesday, August 3, 2010 in Twentieth Century Field. She questioned the City of Garfield 2010 Municipal Budget figures put forth by the PBA Attorney who spoke at last week's City Council Meeting. She said that she is happy that all three labor union have settled their contract

Councilmember Delaney spoke on the Passaic River Cleanup held last Friday, July 16th with about twenty-five kids from the City Recreation Department. He said that the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission had a grant presentation at the event to fund a "guard rail" to stop river debris from going over the Dundee Dam. He spoke on Garfield-raised Miles Austin of the Dallas Cowboys making an appearance with actress Kim Kardashian at Rose's Pizza in Garfield for a cable TV show on TLC.

Councilmember Aloia spoke on the ribbon cutting ceremony to be held tomorrow at 11:00 AM for the new Applebee's Restaurant in the Redevelopment Zone at 186 Passaic Street. He spoke on the new Walmart Department Store opening up in August at that same location. He said that there is more development to come and that it is an outstanding time for the City. He said that there are three NFL Players from the City of Garfield and that perhaps a fan fest can be organized during the Super Bowl when it is held at the new professional football stadium in East Rutherford in 2014.

City Manager Duch thanked everyone who was so supportive of him and his family after the recent passing of his mother-in-law, Elizabeth LaPorte, and after the recent back surgery of his mother, Helen Duch.

Councilmember Moskal commented on the Garfield YMCA and American Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled to be held Thursday, July 29, 2010 from 1:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Garfield YMCA Family Fitness Center located at 70 Outwater Lane. He spoke on the ribbon cutting ceremony of the Applebee's Family Restaurant scheduled to be held Wednesday, July 21, 2010 at 11:00 AM at 186 Passaic Street. He spoke on the Garfield Boys and Girls Club Golf Outing scheduled to be Monday, August 9, 2010 at the Valley Brook Golf Course in Rivervale. He spoke on Garfield YMCA Community Day, Movie Night and 5K Race to be held Saturday, September 11, 2010 in Twentieth Century Field.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:10 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Aloia moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4
Absent 1 – Mayor Calandriello

