

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at 6:05 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 Work Session 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, Stanley J. Moskal and Frank J. Calandriello

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, Labor Counsel Joseph Randazzo, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell, Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo, Water and Sewer Facilities Manager Willard Bierwas, Recreation Director Anthony Furfaro, Fire Official Gerald Walis and Police Chief Kevin Amos

CIRCUS FUNDRAISER

The City Council and Cabinet met with PBA Local No. 46 President Everett Garnto concerning a circus fundraiser to be held at Garfield High School on June 3, 4, 5 & 6, 2010.

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City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The Redevelopment Agreement with HP Garfield Investments, LLC, which must be finalized before Pulte Homes will begin constructing townhouses at the 950 River Drive site.
2. The withdrawal of the NJDEP Flood Hazard Individual Permit and Hardship Exception River Drive (County Road 507) Improvements.
3. The Bergen County People's Budget Forum sponsored by New Jersey State Senators Paul Sarlo, Loretta Weinberg and Bob Gordon being held tonight from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Bergen County Academies in Hackensack, New Jersey.
4. The three students of the Bergen Charter School who participated in the International Sustainable World Project Olympiads held in Houston, Texas from April 14 to 19, 2010 and the recognitions received by the students, including Zoey Zibor.

ARRIVAL OF CITY AUDITOR LERCH

At 6:15 PM, City Auditor Dieter Lerch joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

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5. The final payment application regarding Strama and Brothers Construction, LLC for the City Hall Roof Repair Project.
6. Garfield Board of Health Physician Dr. Ronald Rigolosi has agreed to be relieved of health and prescription benefits with the City effective June 2, 2010.
7. The latest check to the City for recyclables materials from Green Sky Industries in the amount of \$9,020.18.
8. The Retail Business Hours Ordinance and the interpretation concerning a 24 hour convenience store being allowed to operate as long as it is more than 200' from residential property.

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9. The April 20, 2010 letter he received from Boys and Girls Club of Garfield Chief Executive Officer Paul Casey confirming that the Club will run the Junior Boilermakers Football Program.
10. The annual budget of the Garfield Health Center was sent to Bob Halsch of the Bergen Community Action Partnership located at 535 Midland Avenue.

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The written Report of the City Engineer dated April 22, 2010.

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

11. The Chromium Contamination update he received via an email from Joseph Cosentino of the Federal EPA on Monday, April 26, 2010, with the EC-Numbers2.doc attachment listing the number of letters sent to residents, number of homes inspected by EPA for sampling (288), numbering of homes sampled through March 10th, (253) number of swipe samples, (701) number of sediment/scrape samples, (78), number of sump water samples (91), carpet samples (micro-vac) (10), air samples (30), letters informing residents of EPA findings (09 sampling) (535), Geo-probe borings the bedrock (55), groundwater sampling locations (48), groundwater samples (144), soil borings (5) and soil samples.
12. The charges and plea proposal from the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control concerning DPC, Inc., t/a MVP Sports Bar, 402 River Drive, PRC License No. 0221-33-007-006, concerning incidents on May 22, 2008.
13. The 12" x 12" tee from the Lanza Avenue water main at the Jewell Street entrance to Central Bergen Properties and the installation and maintenance of the water meter by the property owner.
14. The proposed savings of approximately \$50,000.00 over a three year period by the City by refunding 2001 bonds through the Bergen County Utilities Authority.
15. The defeated 2010-2011 School Budget.

Mayor Frank J. Calandriello reported on the following:

1. The Store Manager of the new Garfield Walmart, Mr. Jeremy Strudle, who has met with various City Official and Community Leaders.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 10-130

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 6:50 P.M. on Monday, April 27, 2010, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- * Collective bargaining agreements including the negotiation of the terms and thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body; (rejection by PBA, Blue Collar and White Collar of proposed give backs in collective bargaining negotiations, and submission of layoff plan without employee names to the State Department of Personnel pending their approval).

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- * Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (proposed sewer fee ordinance).

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 5

(Sgd) Stanley J. Moskal
Louis G. Aloia

PROPOSED SEWER FEE ORDINANCE

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 7:35 PM, the City Council and Cabinet discussed the proposed Sewer Fee Ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:00 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Raymond moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK