

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 6:25 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: Louis G. Aloia, Stanley J. Moskal and Frank J. Calandriello  
Councilmembers Absent: Tana M. Raymond and Joseph Delaney  
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, Fire Official Gerald Walis and Police Chief Kevin Amos

#### VIRIDIAN

The City Council and Cabinet met with Patrick P. Lull concerning the proposed engagement of services with Viridian to sell electricity supply service to the City of Garfield which it is estimated would result in the City realizing substantial savings in energy costs.

#### ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY

At 6:35 PM, Councilmember Joseph Delaney joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

#### DEFEATED 2010-2011 SCHOOL BUDGET

The City Council and Cabinet briefly discussed the defeated 2010-2011 School Budget.

#### 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The City Council and Cabinet briefly discussed the 2010 Municipal Budget and the process for a possible layoff plan.

#### ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER RAYMOND

At 6:55 PM, Councilmember Tana M. Raymond joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. As of April 10, 2010, the City is utilizing approximately 70% of well water from the Elmwood Park Well Field and approximately 30% from the Passaic Valley Water Commission.
2. A complaint that was received concerning one of the City vender vehicles which is being handled by the City Health Department.
3. He is investigating opportunities to update and improve the City Website either with Q-Scend Technologies or another web master.
4. The Eagle Scout Award ceremony to be held in honor of Boy Scout Troop #80 member Daniel J. Fedor on Sunday, June 13, 2010 at American Legion Post #147 located at 1 Legion Place, Elmwood Park, New Jersey.
5. He plans to attend the seminar entitled "Vision Bergen: Blueprint for Our Future" to be held Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at the Sheraton Crossroads IN Mahwah, New Jersey which will cover issues involving Transportation, local Budgets, Open Space, Finances, Sustainability and other topics.

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6. The proposed street names for the Garden State Paper Redevelopment site at 950 River Drive include Autumn Lane, Clover Lane, Aster Lane, Holly Lane, Dahlia Lane, Rosemary Lane, Jasmine Lane, Wisteria Lane and Iris Lane.
7. The Garfield Parks and Recreation Golf Outing to be held Tuesday, June 24, 2010 at the Farmstead Golf and Country Club, 88 Lawrence Road in Lafayette, New Jersey.
8. The Annual Visitation of the Garfield Municipal Court by the Administrative Office of the Courts.
9. Resolution No. 08-472 which authorized a contract for Insurance Consulting Services by Willis HRH.
10. Amvets Post No. 13 Commander Michael J. Durante has given the keys to the Post to the City Manager's Office for their building located at 326 Outwater Lane due to declining membership and loss of income from the loss of rentals of their hall at the Post.
11. The proposed Ordinance regulating Pit Bull Ownership.
12. The services of City Veterinarian Andrew Discafani are being terminated as of May 14, 2010, due to the current budgetary crisis.

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The written Report of the City Engineer dated May 11, 2010.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 10-142

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 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday, May 11, 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; (collective bargaining negotiations with PBA Local No. 46; White Collar collective bargaining negotiations).
- \* Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (Police Chief Amos contacting the Bergen County Prosecutor's office concerning the Garfield Charter School, located at 188 Mac Arthur Avenue, hiring crossing guards).

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

Work Session May 11, 2010, Continued

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:20 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Raymond moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK