

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Monday, July 12, 2010 at 6:40 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, Louis G. Aloia, Stanley J. Moskal and Frank J. Calandriello

Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Joseph J. Rotolo, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano and City Auditor Dieter Lerch

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City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The Garfield Housing Authority deducted the tax lien on the old Pigeon Club Building located on Gaston Avenue from money they owed the City, but have ultimately paid the money they deducted.
2. Approximately four City employees may be interested in opting out of Health Benefits coverage if they are entitled to a \$3,000.00 payment to do so.

#### SHORT RECESS, ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY AND RETURN TO ORDER

At 6:45 PM, a short recess was called. At 6:50 PM, the Work Session was returned to order and all City Officials were present as before the recess, including Councilmember Joseph Delaney. It was duly noted for the record.

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3. The proposed resolution regarding the Safe Streets to Transit Program.
4. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of the new Applebee's Restaurant on Passaic Street is scheduled to be held Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM.
5. The research and subsequent recommendation presented by Construction Code Official Gerald Walis concerning hours of operation of cafes and social clubs in the City.
6. In a letter dated June 16, 2010 to Assemblyman Gary S. Schaer, he provided the Assemblyman with a short chronology concerning the chromium contamination investigation by the State DEP and Federal EPA.
7. The assistance being provided by US Senator Frank Lautenberg concerning the Small Water Treatment Program.
8. The Community Development grant application for the proposed Stair Replacement Project at Schley Street and Palisade Avenue has been denied.
9. He has gotten no response yet from the letter and copy of Resolution No. 10-208 he sent to Governor Christopher Christie, NJ Education Commissioner Bret Shundler and Bergen County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Aaron Graham, concerning the separation agreement of Superintendent of Schools Nicholas Perrapato and Assistant Superintendent of Schools Raymond Hryczyk.
10. The letter he sent out to owners of approximately five properties who have not yet granted access to representatives of the US Environmental Protection Agency conducting a study to

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determine if chromium is present and to arrange for its removal from certain properties in the First Ward.

11. The New Jersey Fish and Game Council has sent a proposed model resolution for consideration in connection with the Garfield Trap, Neuter and Release Program.
12. The recent notification received by the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control that Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0221-33-007-006 held by DPC, Inc., t/a MVP Sports Bar, for licensed premises located at 402 River Drive, has been suspended for a period of 36 days commencing August 15, 2010 at 2:00 AM and terminating September 20, 2010 at 2:00 AM, for serving alcohol to persons under the legal age.

ARRIVAL OF CITY ENGINEER BOSWELL

At 7:00 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 10-210

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 7:05 P.M. on Monday, July 12, 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; (PBA Local No. 46 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; (proposed elimination of the purchase of a police car).
- \* Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (PBA Local No. 46 collective bargaining negotiations).
- \* 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; (Retirements of Police Lieutenant Jack Van Wycke and Police Detective Edward Mucha).

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:55 PM, the Work Session was adjourned.

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK