

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 7:15 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Deputy Mayor Tana M. Raymond 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: Frank J. Calandriello, Louis G. Aloia, Tana M. Raymond and Glenn A. Mati

Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney

Also Present: City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferrarro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John Bruno), City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

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

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

#### RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 13-86

WHEREAS, the Garfield High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee has proudly announced their inductees into the Hall of Fame for 2013, and

WHEREAS, the inductees were selected with consideration of athletic, civic and student activity contributions while in Garfield High School, and

WHEREAS, by their active participation in these areas, they have brought honor and pride, not only to themselves, but to the entire educational and civic community, and

WHEREAS, the Induction Ceremony will be held on Friday, May 17, 2013 at The Royal Manor located at 454 Midland Avenue in Garfield,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the following individuals are hereby publicly congratulated and recognized for their steadfast dedication to excellence as demonstrated by their induction into the Garfield High School Athletic Hall of Fame:

Robert Richardson 2003, Ardian Ramadani 2002,  
Erika Czujko 1997, William “Ty” Mc Cullough 1991,  
Richard Rigoglioso 1983, Nicholas Perrapato (Coach)

John Cocula Memorial Service Award  
Mr. Joseph Fedor, Sr. (Deceased)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 1980 Baseball Team and the 1988 Girls Volleyball are hereby congratulated on their Special Team Awards.

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

(Sgd) Tana M. Raymond  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 13-87

WHEREAS, the Sicilian Federation of New Jersey will be holding their Annual Gala on Sunday, April 7, 2013 at 5:30 PM at the Venetian Restaurant located at 546 River Drive in Garfield, New Jersey, and

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, the Sicilian Federation of New Jersey is a non-profit organization based in Bergen County, which promotes relations between the Region of Sicily and the State of New Jersey, and fosters the exchange of cultural, commercial and entrepreneurial interactions between the two countries, and

WHEREAS, this year the Federation is honoring Garfield Superintendent of Schools Nicholas L. Perrapato as the recipient of their "Man of the Year" Award and Trinacria D'oro Award and

WHEREAS, the Garfield Mayor and Council are desirous of publicly recognizing those who have demonstrated a long commitment to promoting relations between Sicily and the State of New Jersey, and have continued their dedication to giving back to the community,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to Nicholas L. Perrapato and the Sicilian Federation of New Jersey on being justly recognized for their good deeds and for being worthwhile proponents of the causes of the Italian American community and the Italian nation.

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

(Sgd) Tana M. Raymond  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 13-88

SUPPORTING THE DELAYING OF DRAINING THREE (3) RESERVOIRS ON GARRET MOUNTAIN AND REPLACING THEM WITH LARGE CONCRETE TANKS, UNTIL UPDATED RULES ARE RELEASED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WHEREAS, in response to a federal Environmental Protection Agency mandate to cover all treated drinking water supplies, the Passaic Valley Water Commission is planning on draining the three (3) reservoirs on Garret Mountain and replacing them with large concrete tanks; and

WHEREAS, the reservoirs are the Levine, New Street and the Great Notch, which happens to form about half of the western border of Rifle Camp County Park; and

WHEREAS, construction of the tanks would mar the landscape of the immediate area, which straddles Paterson and Woodland Park and would cost upwards of \$100 million; and

WHEREAS, the cost would be passed on to consumers; and

WHEREAS, being that local residents have been drinking this water for decades; and

WHEREAS, lawsuits filed against the mandate by New York City and Portland, Oregon, have spurred the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to revisit this requirement, known as LT2 and the EPA is taking until 2016 to release an updated version; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency has also granted New York City an extension for one particularly expensive reservoir replacement project; and

WHEREAS, based on this information, the Passaic County Planning Department would like to see the Passaic Valley Water Commission delay movement on the construction until the updated rules are released and less harmful solutions are explored; and

WHEREAS, these three sites about residential neighborhoods and the introduction of tanks would render them industrial in look while also raising the residents' water rates; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield are desirous of demonstrating their support for the delay on the project, until the updated rules are released; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby urges the delay in movement on the tank construction project, until the updated rules are released by the Environmental Protection Agency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to all appropriate New Jersey representatives.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-89

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S-2364 and Assembly Bill A3553 propose to create a system of early voting in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the goal of accommodating voters in pursuit of greater participation in the democratic process is a worthy goal; and

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, these bills would in reality increase workloads, add more costs to the election process, and ultimately serve to confuse voters more than it would accommodate their needs; and

WHEREAS, these bills would require for each primary and general election a public facility, except a public school, located in each municipality in an area of a high concentration of population to be open and available to registered voters starting 15 days before an election for early polling, possibly conflicting with if not pushing out other important uses for these buildings, causing inconvenience to residents; and

WHEREAS, these bills require retraining of poll workers and dramatically increased hours, as well as chain of custody requirements to protect the voting process, despite the fact that recruiting and training poll workers is already a difficult process; and

WHEREAS, these bills would increase costs to municipalities, including overtime pay for workers; and

WHEREAS, although these bills allow municipalities to request reimbursement for extra costs and provide an appropriation, the appropriation does not outline a specific amount nor dedicated funding, only that which the State Treasurer and the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting deem necessary, and they do not outline the procedure for a municipality whose reimbursement request is denied; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity for “Early Voting” already exists in the State of New Jersey through the Vote by Mail ballot process.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that governing body of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen does hereby oppose S2364 and A3553; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the governing body of the City of Garfield does hereby call upon its representatives in the State Legislature to oppose the adoption of these bills and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the Office of the Governor, Senate President Sweeney, Senators Gill and Whelan, sponsors of S2364, Speaker Oliver, Assemblymen Wisniewski, Diegnan, Benson, Conaway, and Coughlin, sponsors of A3553, our State Senator and Assembly representatives, the County Superintendent of Elections, the County Board of Elections, the Bergen County Clerk and the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-90

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have expelled Tomasz Zymierski of 167 Semel Avenue, as an active member effective March 4, 2013,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby accepted.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-91

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted Edwin Gonzalez-Arango of 69 Westminister Place, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a regular active member, effective March 7, 2013,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield Bergen County, New Jersey that the action taken by Fire Company No. 4 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No.13-92

WHEREAS, E-Z Laundromat, 255 Midland Avenue has filed an application for a laundromat license for the year 2013, and

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WHEREAS, the local inspectors CERTIFY that they have conformed with provisions of Ordinance No. 1288,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to, E-ZLaundromat for the year 2013.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-93

WHEREAS, Sud's City Laundromat, 228 Palisade Avenue has filed an application for a laundromat license for the year 2013, and

WHEREAS, the local inspectors CERTIFY that they have conformed with provisions of Ordinance No. 1288,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to, Sud's City Laundromat for the year 2013.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-94

WHEREAS, Time to Wash Laundromat, 69 River Drive has filed an application for a laundromat license for the year 2013, and

WHEREAS, the local inspectors CERTIFY that they have conformed with provisions of Ordinance No. 1288,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to, Time to Wash Laundromat for the year 2013.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-95

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the provisions of Chapter 82-17 of the code of the City of Garfield concerning the hours of service and sales, specifically the portion regulating the hours an establishment holding a Plenary Retail Consumption License may open for business, is hereby suspended strictly for the 2013 St. Patrick's Day Holiday and that permission is hereby granted to said establishments to open an additional hour earlier at 11:00 AM on Sunday, March 17, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a CERTIFIED and exact copy of this approved Resolution to the Garfield Police Chief.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-96

RESOLUTION: APPROVAL TO AMEND THE CITY OF GARFIELD'S HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the City of Garfield is in the process of formally reviewing and amending its Hazard Mitigation Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as part of such review, a review of priorities will be recommended for change placing the acquisition of emergency generators as the first priority.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield that a review and amendment of the City's Hazard Mitigation Plan include emergency generators as the first priority in the amended plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the signature of the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk constitutes acceptance of the proposed amendments and approves the execution of this project.

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

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-97

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF SUBURBAN ESSEX JOINT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM TO ASSIST MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES ACHIEVE POLICE ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Commission on the Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (“CALEA”) and the New Jersey Chiefs of Police Association offer programs to certify police department have met the highest standards of police department management; and

WHEREAS, the Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund seeks to encourage police departments to pursue such excellence by providing advance funding in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 per member department to support efforts to attain accreditation or re-accreditation from Commission on the Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (“CALEA”) or the New Jersey Chiefs of Police Association; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and the governing body believe that the attaining of such certification is consistent with the goals of the Garfield Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police is committed to taking necessary action in order to support the accreditation process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, (Herein After the “Municipality”) in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor, Administrator and Chief of Police are hereby required to enter into an agreement with the Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund for the receipt of funding not to exceed \$25,000.
2. The Municipality agrees to abide by the terms of this program to attain certification or re-certification within two years of the date of the agreement. Upon accreditation being achieved, the Suburban Essex JIF will apply and deduct the police accreditation discount credits against the funds advanced by the Suburban Essex JIF for the accreditation.
3. If the Municipality does not achieve certification or re-certification within the two year period, the amount of the funding is due and re-payable to the Suburban Essex JIF within a three year period.
4. If the Municipality leaves the Suburban Essex JIF before the advance funding is repaid in full, the amount of the advance funding is due immediately to the Suburban Essex JIF upon the date of termination to the JIF.
5. If the Municipality does not maintain re-certification required to continue to earn discounts that will used to offset the advance funding, the balance is due and re-payable to the Suburban Essex JIF within the three year period following failure to maintain certification.
6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

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Resolution No. 13-98

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the Work Session Meeting of the Garfield City Council scheduled for Monday, March 25, 2013 has been cancelled and rescheduled to be held Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 6:00 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 with the Regular Meeting scheduled to commence also on Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 8:00 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 13-99

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Garfeild that the Chief Financial Officer shall and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers as per instructions from the Chief Financial Officer:

<b>Account Name</b>	<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Transfer From</b>	<b>Transfer To</b>
Tax Assessment O & E	2-01-20-150-150-063		135.00
Attorney/Legal Services S & W	2-01-20-155-155-010		2,320.00
Volunteer Fire Misc O/E	2-01-25-255-255-063		60,000.00
DPW O/E	2-01-26-290-290-063		110,000.00
Street Lighting	2-01-31-435-435-280		2,500.00
Solid Waste	2-01-26-305-305-000		
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On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 – Mayor Delaney

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 13-100

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION ENTITLED THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, ET AL. V. OCCIDENTAL CHEMICAL CORPORATION, ET AL., DOCKET NO. ESX-L-9868-05 (PASR) SUBSTANTIALLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF A PROPOSED CONSENT JUDGMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is a third party defendant in litigation entitled the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, et al. v. Occidental Chemical Corporation, et al., Docket No.ESX-L-9868-05(PASR) (the Passaic River Litigation); and,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and the Administrator of the New Jersey Spill Compensation Fund (collectively, “Plaintiffs”), have offered to settle directly with all Third Party Defendants, including the City of Garfield; and,

WHEREAS, on behalf of the City of Garfield, counsel executed a Confidentiality Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with Plaintiffs which, among other things, allowed for settlement negotiations between the City of Garfield and Plaintiffs and for the development of settlement documentation, provided that the negotiations and the documents generated during the course of those negotiations were to remain strictly confidential; and,

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WHEREAS, negotiations between Plaintiffs and Third Party Defendants, including the City of Garfield, have resulted in the preparation of a proposed Consent Judgment and related settlement documentation; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Consent Judgment and related settlement documentation continue to remain strictly confidential in accordance with the Confidentiality Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding executed by counsel on behalf of the City of Garfield until such time as they are published by Plaintiffs in accordance with the Consent Order on the Approval Process for the Proposed Consent Judgment entered by the Court on January 24, 2013 (“Consent Order”), a copy of which is filed with the Administrator of the City of Garfield; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Consent Judgment and related settlement documentation may be subject to change depending on the outcome of the approval process outlined in the Consent Order; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield desires to approve the proposed settlement as reflected in the proposed Consent Judgment and related settlement documentation and allow for the approval process to move forward in accordance with the Consent Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT BE RESOLVED by the City of Garfield as follows:

RESOLVED, The City of Garfield hereby authorizes the settlement of the Passaic River Litigation in the amount of \$95,000.00, whereby \$50,000 is funded by the EJIF.

RESOLVED, the City Attorney and all other appropriate officials and personnel are authorized to prepare any and all related documents and perform all tasks, which will effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

RESOLVED, the appropriation of any and all settlement sums shall be the subject of a subsequent resolution to be adopted by the City of Garfield after the finalization of the approval process set forth in the Consent Order and in accordance with the proposed Consent Judgment.

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately and/or as required by law.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 13-101

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bills No. 1573 through 1574 covering Dog Trust Fund, totaling \$2,686.60 and the Current Fund Reserve totaling \$5,099.20 and the Current Fund totaling \$2,434,189.56 and the Current Water Fund totaling \$35,020.70 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$17,951.75 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 twenty three (23) items prior to the meeting be ratified.

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Bill  
And  
Claims

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2646

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, March 12, 2013; it was duly published; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in City Hall; copies were made available to the general public and having complied with the law, this ordinance was not read in full and the City Council can now proceed with the public hearing and final passage:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE CHAPTER 278 OF THE CITY  
CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD ENTITLED "SMOKING"

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Deputy Mayor Raymond declared a public hearing on same and asked if there were any objections.

There being none, Deputy Mayor Raymond declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Mati moved that said ordinance do now pass on final passage and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the statement or notice required by law. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

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

Ordinance No. 2647

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, March 12, 2013; it was duly published; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in City Hall; copies were made available to the general public and having complied with the law, this ordinance was not read in full and the City Council can now proceed with the public hearing and final passage:

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION  
LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Deputy Mayor Raymond declared a public hearing on same and asked if there were any objections.

There being none, Deputy Mayor Raymond declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Mati moved that said ordinance do now pass on final passage and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the statement or notice required by law. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

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

Councilmember Mati introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE CHAPTER 242 AND CHAPTER 287  
OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

ORDINANCES

Councilmember Mati moved that this ordinance entitled: “ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE CHAPTER 242 AND CHAPTER 287 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD”, do now pass on first reading and remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which shall be held March 26, 2013 at 8:00 PM in the City Hall in Garfield and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the notice of such hearing in The Record, at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The motion, duly seconded by Councilmember Aloia, was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: Ayes 4, Absent 1 – Mayor Delaney.

Councilmember Mati introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD  
CHAPTER FIVE ARTICLE VI  
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Mati moved that this ordinance entitled: “AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD CHAPTER FIVE ARTICLE VI PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE”, do now pass on first reading and remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which shall be held March 26, 2013 at 8:00 PM in the City Hall in Garfield and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the notice of such hearing in The Record, at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The motion, duly seconded by Councilmember Aloia, was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: Ayes 4, Absent 1 – Mayor Delaney.

Councilmember Mati introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE ARTICLE II CHAPTER 188  
OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “ZONING BOARD OF  
ADJUSTMENT,” MORE PARTICULARLY CHAPTER 188-19.B THEREOF, ENTITLED  
“APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS,” TO ADD PROVISIONS REGARDING THE  
BOARD’S ABILITY TO WAIVE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Mati moved that this ordinance entitled: “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE ARTICLE II CHAPTER 188 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT,” MORE PARTICULARLY CHAPTER 188-19.B THEREOF, ENTITLED “APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS,” TO ADD PROVISIONS REGARDING THE BOARD’S ABILITY TO WAIVE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS”, do now pass on first reading and remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which shall be held March 26, 2013 at 8:00 PM in the City Hall in Garfield and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the notice of such hearing in The Record, at least seven days prior to the hearing.

ORDINANCES

The motion, duly seconded by Councilmember Aloia, was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: Ayes 4, Absent 1 – Mayor Delaney.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mr. Clyde Bamby, 105 Chestnut Street, spoke on getting employed in the City of Garfield.

Ms. Kenese Robinson, said that she is with the Bergen County Intergrated Municipal Advisory Council and the American Cancer Society and she thanked the City Council for adopting the ordinance for smoke free parks.

Mr. Ciro Disclafani, 47 Orchard Street, spoke and asked questions concerning ordinances which were introduced at tonight's meeting. He spoke on proposed programs to help get people employed.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Calandriello spoke on the ordinance for a Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee. He spoke on Municipal Budgets and people who are jobless and he spoke on the need to keep taxes low because many of the unemployed are taxpayers. He said that it is a fine line for the City to hire unemployed citizens and to keep taxes low. He said that companies that come into Garfield should give Garfield residents first priority when hiring their workers. He said that he believes the economy is starting to get better. He said that we are all affected by hard times but we have an obligation to keep costs down as City Officials. He wished everyone a Happy Saint Patrick's Day.

Councilmember Aloia said that at yesterday's Work Session, there was a presentation concerning improving the First Ward and Passaic Street to create as many opportunities as possible. He said that when a majority of the homes were owner occupied, there were long term job opportunities here but times have changed. He said that when there is money, job opportunities are there, but these are tight fiscal times. He commended Ciro Disclafani for motivating the Council to move forward in regard to better safety. He said that he hopes people have an opportunity to enjoy Saint Patrick's Day.

Councilmember Mati spoke on improving pedestrian safety on River Drive. He spoke on helping people develop effective resumes. He spoke on how Ciro Disclafani spearheaded the establishment of a Pedestrian Safety Advisory Board. He wished everyone a Happy Saint Patrick's Day and he mentioned that that day is his older son's Birthday.

Deputy Mayor Raymond spoke on how the City Council expects to review all those who expressed an interest in writing to be considered for appointment to a Committee at the next Council Meeting. She reminded everyone that the next Work Session and Regular Meeting has been changed to be on the same day, Tuesday, March 26, 2013. She spoke on the proposed Revitalization Program for the First Ward and said that the City needs to start a plan and needs to start something. She questioned if it was legal or proper to ask new businesses to reserve a percentage of new jobs for Garfield citizens. She reminded everyone that March is Women's History Month and that there is a Saint Joseph's Dinner this coming Saturday at Mount Virgin Roman Catholic Church. She wished everyone a Happy Saint Patrick's Day.

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ADJOURNMENT

At 7:50 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Mati moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

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

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK