

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

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

Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John Bruno), Labor Counsel John Lavin, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell, Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The City Council and Cabinet met with Dennis Serritella concerning his proposal to assist Recreation Director Anthony Furfaro in the performance of his duties.

### 2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The City Council and Cabinet discussed the 2014 Municipal Budget.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The Asphalt Hot Box Machine has been obtained and with the harsh winter that the City experienced there is a need to address many pot holes this year on the City roads. The DPW has very actively been filling many pot holes throughout the City with the Asphalt Hot Box Machine.
2. The landscaping planned along River Drive in the Riverfront Park from the Dundee Dam to the Outwater Lane Bridge.
3. Retiree Drug Actuary Analysis performed by the personnel in the City Manager's office netted \$57,000.00 for the City.
4. The parking tickets being issued to the workers at Straval, the machine shop on Columbus Avenue near Jewell Street, where the Redevelopment construction is underway on the block bounded by Columbus Avenue, Jewell Street, Outwater Lane and River Drive.
5. The Bond Ordinance for consideration at the Regular Meeting to be held later this evening.
6. The estimated cost of the Dispatcher Station to be installed at 409 Midland Avenue.

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. Plans for a proposed new City Police Station and input from City Architect Lloyd Rosenberg of DMR Architects.
2. The Pre-Construction meeting scheduled to be held April 15, 2014 concerning improvements to Twentieth Century Field.

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3. The proposed resolution to award a contract for the repair of the roof of Firehouse No. Three.
4. The Safe Routes to Schools grant.
5. The proposed resolution concerning the Pierre Avenue Improvement.
6. The production of Water Well 8C.

Councilmember Glenn A. Mati reported on the following:

1. Neighborhood concerns regarding the Development at 517 River Drive.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 14-173

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 7:45 P.M. on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 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; ( resolution of Police Dispatcher grievance; PBA Local No. 46 light duty grievances, PBA Local No. 46 grievance re: investigator pay, PBA Local No. 46 collective bargaining negotiations expected to commence in May 2014; comp time in the Police Department).
- \* Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (proposed settlement in the English Paving vs the City lawsuit).
- \* Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of t eh performance of, promotion or disciplinary action of personnel unless the individual in the right request a public meeting in writing; (Police Officer Gregory Drelich request for a leave of absence; successful resolution of Police Dispatcher grievances; PBA Local No. 46 light duty grievances; PBA Local no. 46 grievance re: Investigator pay; comp time in the Police Department; Frederick Krowl vs, the City).

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 4,  
Absent 1 – Mayor Delaney

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello  
Glenn A. Mati

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ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:40 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Calandriello moved to adjourn the Work Session. 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