

Mayor Sobel asked anyone wishing to be heard on agenda items to come forward and state their name and address.

Anthony Garaguso
105 Atlantic Avenue
Mr. Garaguso why Cue & Brew was removed from the agenda.

Mayor Sobel stated they are aware of residents that made a complaint regarding noise and garbage from that location. We are just checking with the Police Department to see if the complaints are current.

There being no one else wishing to be heard Mayor Sobel declared the Hearing of the Citizens closed.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

2009 MUNICIPAL BUDGET – PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Sobel opened the public hearing and asked anyone wishing to be heard on the 2009 Municipal Budget to come forward and state their name and address.

Michael Vail
64 Brookview Lane
Mr. Vail asked what is the value of the pension deferral.

Angela Morin stated 50%, approximately \$300,000 PFRS and \$135,000 PERS.

Mayor Sobel stated between the two pension it is less than \$500,000.

Mr. Vail asked when the payments start.

Angela Morin stated in 3 years with a maximum of 12 years. The interest is set by the pension fund at that time and we have the option of paying it off sooner with no penalty.

Mayor Sobel stated these are unusual times, I have been to a lot of meetings with elected officials in Monmouth County and most of them are availing themselves to this. We are trying to manage any tax increase.

Tom Aljian
12 Irongate
Mr. Aljian asked what the total amount of savings was from the Sunday budget meeting.

Mayor Sobel stated the budget process started late fall. We have had four budget meetings. The budget has gone through many iterations, we went through more budget cuts on Sunday of \$140,000. We have cut much more from the being of the process.

Mr. Aljian asked what was the amount from the prior year to this year.

Angela Morin stated we are down, between all our meetings we are down \$500,000.

Mr. Criscuolo stated you have to remember the budget process starts in November. We had to be realistic and creative.

Mr. Aljian asked what the comparison between 2008 to 2009.

Angela Morin stated 2008 appropriations were \$15,328,000, 2009 appropriations are \$14,837,000.

Mayor Sobel stated health insurance costs and contractual costs skyrocketed this year. That is why we changed our health insurance carrier to save \$300,000 a year.

Anthony Garaguso

Mr. Garaguso asked what the anticipated collection rate is for this year and what it was for 2008.

Mayor Sobel stated last year was 96.5%, this year is 97.15%.

Angela Morin stated the expected rate of collection is 98.29%.

Councilman Tagliarini closed the public hearing and make a motion to reserve decision.
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Gumbs

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmen Perry, Tagliarini, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Gumbs and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

2009 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION DISTRICT BUDGET – PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Sobel opened the public hearing and asked anyone wishing to be heard on the 2009 Solid Waste Collection District Budget to come forward and state their name and address.

There was no one present wishing to be heard.

Councilman Perry closed the public hearing and made a motion to reserve decision.
Seconded by Councilman Vinci.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmen Perry, Tagliarini, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Gumbs and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Gumbs made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, all items listed under 7A.

Seconded by Councilman Vinci

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmen Perry, Tagliarini, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Gumbs and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2009-68 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes the Police Chief to apply for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 2009-69 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby awards a contract for Odor and Corrosion Control Bioxide Chemical.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2009-70 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes the Tax Collector to prepare and mail estimated tax bills.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2009-71 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes the H.A.M. Therapeutic Recreation Program to apply for a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs to provide recreational activities for individuals with disabilities.
5. RESOLUTION NO. 2009-72 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes Realty Appraisal Company to assist the Township in 2009 Tax Court of New Jersey Litigation.
6. RESOLUTION NO. 2009-73 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes the renewal of alcoholic beverage licenses.
7. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION – BE IT RESOLVED that the general public shall be excluded from discussion held during executive session – Litigation
8. RA-928 – Raffle License for H.A.M. Parents & Volunteers Org., Aberdeen, NJ
9. RA-929 – Raffle License for H.A.M. Parents & Volunteers Org., Aberdeen, NJ
10. RA-930 – Raffle License for H.A.M. Parents & Volunteers Org., Aberdeen, NJ
11. RA-931 – Raffle License for H.A.M. Parents & Volunteers Org., Aberdeen, NJ

Councilman Tagliarini made a motion to introduce Resolution No. 2009-74 and move its

adoption, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Gumbs.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmen Perry, Tagliarini, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Gumbs and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-74 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes application for Improvements to County Road – PHASE III.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS/CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

Mayor Sobel asked any member of the public wishing to be heard to come forward and to state their name and address.

Tom Aljian

Mr. Aljian thanked Council for fixing Ivy Hill Road.

Brian Pfeiffer

243 Lennox Road

Mr. Pfeiffer asked about the roller hockey rink.

Mr. Criscuolo stated Mr. Lauro and Mr. Colabelli were down there several times and looked at many different scenarios. We are getting a second and third quotes on repairing, redoing the rink was too costly. Our plan is to have it repaired shortly. We did put a sand volleyball court there too.

Mr. Pfeiffer stated when he was at the beach he saw some of the fencing was removed.

Mr. Criscuolo stated the State is doing a count of horseshoe crabs, he will check on it.

Bill Marinella

500 Lloyd Road

Mr. Marinella stated he is here for the same reason as the past, Lloyd Road, but now there was a death on Lloyd Road.

Mr. Criscuolo stated the County will not put a crosswalk, because it is too close to a light with the intersection.

Mr. Marinella stated the County is going very slow, the problem is the bus issue. The buses stop many times on Lloyd Road. The County says the bus issue it not their issue.

Mayor Sobel stated it is New Jersey Transit. The problem is the bus drivers do not listen and stop where they want.

Mr. Marinella asked who does he talk to.

Mr. Criscuolo asked the attorney to get in touch with NJ Transit to get what are the authorized stops on Lloyd Road.

Mr. Marinella stated there is a bus stop 100 yards from intersection and no one wants to fix this problem.

Mayor Sobel stated he recommends a New Jersey Transit liaison to come in and discuss this and come to an agreement.

Mr. Criscuolo stated he will ask NJ Transit for bus stops along Lloyd Road and will asked them to take a look at intersection and move the stop. The Chief of Police has been on top of this project. I was advised the County Supervisor is reviewing plan and will advise.

Mr. Criscuolo will advise Mr. Marinella when meeting will be set with NJ Transit.

There being no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel closed the Hearing of the Citizens/Correspondence and Petitions.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Vinci made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gumbs and unanimously concurred by Council.

David G. Sobel, Mayor

Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk