

copy of the ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and that copies were available to the general public upon request.

Thereupon the Clerk read the aforementioned ordinance by title, "ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABERDEEN - SIGHT TRIANGLES"

Mayor Sobel opened the meeting to the public for remarks or comments for or against the final adoption of this ordinance and asked anyone wishing to be heard to come forward and state their name and address. There being no one present wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 31-2005.

Councilwoman Gumbs made a motion that Ordinance No. 31-2005 be finally passed and adopted and that notice of its passage and adoption be published by title in the November 3, 2005 issue of the Courier and Asbury Park Press.

Seconded by Councilman Vinci

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Gumbs, Minutolo, Perry, Raymond, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Drapkin and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 32-2005 - INTRODUCTION

Deputy Mayor Drapkin made a motion to introduce Ordinance 32-2005 on first reading by title and to order the same to be published by summary in the November 3, 2005 issue of the Courier and Asbury Park Press, together with notice of its introduction and passage on first reading by title, and that it will be further considered for final passage after public hearing at a meeting of the Township Council to be held on November 14, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building of the Township of Aberdeen at One Aberdeen Square.

Seconded by Councilman Minutolo.

Thereupon the Clerk read the aforementioned ordinance by title, "ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABERDEEN - VACATING UNNAMED RIGHT OF WAY OFF WASHINGTON AVENUE"

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Gumbs, Minutolo, Perry, Raymond, Deputy Mayor Drapkin and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilman Vinci

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Vinci made a motion to approve the consent Agenda all items listed under 7B.

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Drapkin.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Gumbs, Minutolo, Perry, Raymond, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Drapkin and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2005-125 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes the transfers between the 2005 Current Operating Budget, 2005 Sewer Operating Budget and 2005 Water Operating Budget.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 2005-126 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes the settlement agreement between Weichert V. Township of Aberdeen.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2005-127 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes the settlement agreement between The Lombardo Group v. Township of Aberdeen.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2005 -128 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes a contract be awarded to Quality Electrical Construction Co. for Electrical/Control Improvements to Strathmore Sewage Pump Station.
5. RESOLUTION NO. 2005-129 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that the attached names are added to the State Contract Vendor List.
6. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION - BE IT RESOLVED that the general public shall be excluded from discussion held during executive session - Contractual

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.

Phil Petrognani
178 Wilson Avenue

Mr. Petrognani stated he has been before the Council numerous times and the web-site is still not updated. The last meeting is September 20, 2005. What is the purpose of having a web-site if it is not updated properly.

Mr. Coren stated there was a problem with the webserver last week. The Township Clerk received a e-mail from the webmaster stating that the agenda was posted. We will check tomorrow and if not it will be corrected.

Councilman Minutolo stated one of the problems is that we do not do it within the building. We rely on the outside services and the fact that you bring it to our attention gives us an opportunity to interact with them and to be responsible. In any event, the information is helpful and we appreciate you bringing this to our attention.

Mr. Petrognani asked Mayor Sobel, Councilman Perry and Councilman Raymond if they support the County's plan to acquire the Mirror Lake property and turn it into a County Park.

Mayor Sobel stated we are not running a political campaign from here. Are you a litigant in a lawsuit against the Township.

Mr. Petrognani stated yes.

Mayor Sobel stated this Council is trying to adhere to a Court decision/mandate. We have been in the Courts for 20 years. For us not to adhere to a Court decision would place with Township at great risks. I don't want 1200 single family homes be added to this Township.

Mr. Petrognani stated the property that consist of that was not included in the original settlement.

Mr. Coren stated that is not true. Mr. Coren asked if Mr. Petrognani saw a specific resolution from the Board of Chosen Freeholders that says they authorize the creation of a county park on that land.

Mr. Petrognani stated he saw an ordinance.

Mr. Coren stated the County does not adopt ordinances, do you have a specific resolution directing the County Park System to acquire that property.

Mr. Petrognani stated they were in the process of it.

Mayor Sobel stated if the County has it within their powers to relieve us of our Mount Laurel obligations I am totally behind it. We would prefer a County park but that is not where we are at right now.

Mr. Petrognani stated he has heard a lot recently of train station plans, are there plans. There is a web-site, Aberdeen Republicans.com on the web-site is posted plans for the train station.

Mayor Sobel stated the republican party has taken plans that are at least five years old and tried to pass it off as the current thinking of this administration. Nothing can be further from the truth. In fact, if the republican candidates would show up in the last four years they would know better. They showed up on October 18, 2005 for the first time at a meeting, people should be outraged by that. You can run a town from your living room, you have to come to Council Meetings, Planning and Zoning Board Meetings. I said in an Independent article that we need to scrap the plans for both towns and start new, five years ago this Council said the plans from the developer were not right for this region, they were too big. The 12000 parking spaces were not in Aberdeen they were in Matawan. The people in both towns should be upset in what Matawan wants to do, build 500 housing units which means two new public schools and if you live in Aberdeen you will pay 2/3 of the costs of that.

Mr. Coren stated Mr. Petrognani is implying that something is going on behind the scene. Nothing could be further from the truth. These plans came as a result of a public process, RFP was issued on May 8, 2002, proposals were received on August 6, 2002 and publicly opened. These proposals were reviewed by both Councils. Matawan Borough picked someone who by

admission did not qualify under the RFP.

Mr. Petrognani asked about the Manzo and Walter White property.

Mr. Coren suggested to file a complaint in Court to pressure the Court to move quickly.

Mr. Petrognani stated he would like to bring up the trucks and speeding on Wilson Avenue again.

Mr. Coren stated this is a perpetual problem. Part of it is commuter traffic and once the development starts in the Freneau section of town Wilson Avenue will be improved. Trucks are a direct relationship to standards by which the road is constructed. Our police department has been doing some inspections. Mr. Coren stated he invited him to come in and talk with him and the Chief of Police about this.

Michael Ouben
51 Chilton Lane

Mr. Ouben asked if we found anything out about Courtland.

Councilman Vinci stated they will be cleaning it up.

Deputy Mayor Drapkin stated he called up New Jersey American Water Company when he saw what the road looked like.

Mr. Ouben asked what is happening on Chilton Lane since there are flags from the gas company on the property.

Mr. Coren stated when they start a new installation they have to flag the area. The utility, NJAWC are continuing their water line improvements.

Mr. Ouben stated wouldn't it be nice to notify the residents.

Mr. Coren stated he has told them that time and time again.

Mayor Sobel stated that when we find out we will post it on the web site.

Mr. Ouben stated why are some driveways different from others.

Mayor Sobel stated he will call NJAWC to find out why.

Mary Kate Dillon
35 Amwell Lane

Ms. Dillon heard rumors about the Train Station.

Mayor Sobel stated in the Independent newspaper, I have gone on record there is no developer, no contract, no plan. Three and a half years ago there was a proposal not a plan.

James Pierce
831 Shore Concourse

Mayor Sobel stated Mr. Pierce was here after our last Council meeting. I have never had anyone from Pop Warner come to our meeting. Mr. Stuart Brown is here who will be replacing Mark Coren when he retires in December and Mr. James Colabelli, Recreation Director is here also. There are two places in town that we are trying to gain for recreation use. Off of County Road by Meely trucking, 10 acres and we would like to acquire that. There is 18 acres in the Freneau area that can be earmarked for recreational use. I would like to form a federation of all recreational leagues in the town. We would like to serve all residents.

Mr. Pierce stated his main concern is he is a tax payer with children that play football and other sports. We have been playing on Guisti Field, it is only a practice field you can not play a football game on it because of the backstop and fence. Two trees are in the way also. We have been playing at the high school but we would like to have our own field. Just like every other town, like a sports complex. Other towns have sponsors that they hang up around a fence. We can not do that. This is my main concern, just one football field.

Mayor Sobel stated it is not until your kids are in a travel program that you realize what other communities have. There is a need to have a sports complex that we can call our own that kids can be proud of.

Kevin Manville
12 Preston Place, Matawan

Mr. Manville stated he has been involved in Pop Warner football for 18 years, President for 10 years. We tried to be a self sufficient organization. We felt whatever money we needed we would try to raise it. Over the years there was disappointment. Over the 18 years the Guisti field was moved twice and both times the field was worst off. The last time the trees got planted, and that is one reason they can not have a home football game there, because of a safety issue. I don't want to see Pop Warner left behind.

Mayor Sobel stated I see one, Gusti Field, what can we do to make it playable and better.

Mr. Coren stated he hopes to acquire the property on County Road for recreation.

Mr. Manville stated County Road would be great because the kids are from the Cliffwood area and Cliffwood Beach area. I would like to see something that the kids can walk to or ride a bike to. We need a regulation field and Guisti Field is not regulation.

Mr. Coren suggested a group meet with Recreation Director, Engineer and himself to see what can be done to make the field playable. Long term issues are tied into acquisitions that will be over the next couple of years. The immediate problem is how to make Guisti as playable as possible. The Council will have to make some judgements if another field is needed to be acquired.

Mayor Sobel stated we are not going to decide on anything this evening. Ultimately a Sports Federation is for the leagues to work together under the direction of the Recreation Director.

Councilwoman Gumbs stated she agrees with Mr. Manville. She would like to see something done on County Road.

Mayor Sobel stated there are things within our control and one thing is the upgrading of Guisti Field. We are in the early stages of the budget for next year.

Mr. Coren stated the reason the soccer field was made was because the field was donated by the school district and we enter into an agreement. If there is a parcel of land that we can make a contribution to that might help.

Mayor Sobel stated he didn't realize how popular pop warner has become. We will work with you to find a solution short term but also long term.

Michael Ouben
51 Chilton Lane

Mr. Ouben stated he played on Guisti Field when he was young and it was terrible than. Mr. Ouben suggested Ross field/VFW field. It is a great facility if it can be upgraded.

Charlie Rogers
Cliffwood

Mr. Rogers stated he grew up in Cliffwood and one thing he can say is there is a big problem with drugs. One way to keep the kids off the street is football.

Mayor Sobel stated he agrees keeping kids occupied with sports and activities does wonders.

Mr. Rogers stated these are the kids that are being left out right now. We won a championship and we are undefeated, we are going out of State. We can never have a game home, we will always have to go away.

Councilwoman Gumbs stated she has been on Council for two years and this is the first time that Pop Warner organization has ever come before the Council with a request like this.

Mayor Sobel stated we are here to find a solution for the kids.

Mr. Rogers stated we need to spend our money here. This is what saved my life, this organization. I am trying to give back. We have kids getting hurt out there. There is a sense of urgency, a plan takes time to develop. It is not that we want a field, we need a field.

Mayor Sobel stated we do understand the urgency.

Mr. Rogers stated he voiced a concern over lights. We had an independent contractor come and put the lights up.

Mr. Coren stated the lights were put up by the Cliffwood Volunteer Fire Company. Community efforts were done by volunteers because people didn't want to burden the general tax payer. We stand ready to work with people and make resources available.

Sunny Jackson
President, Pop Warner

Mr. Jackson stated he has been involved for twenty years. We raised the money and we put the lights up not the fire department. They might have helped us.

Mr. Coren stated the electrician was a member of the fire company and the truck and bucket used to put it up was the fire companies. Yes, you did raise money for the lights. There has always been a relationship.

Mr. Jackson stated he should meet and talk as soon as possible. There is a big change in this program. It has grown to 350 children and we have had to add teams.

Anthony Quagliari
42 year resident

Mr. Quagliari stated he has been involved with Pop Warner and the high school team that won championship and I think it is a disgrace that we go to all these towns in Monmouth and Ocean Counties and they have these complexes. I am a taxpayer and I think we should have more than what we have in this town.

Joe Martucci
Idlewild Court

Mr. Martucci stated he heard a lot of people talk and he has been very fortunate to coach most of these gentlemen that are sitting in this room. The one thing he wanted to bring up the facility at Guisti field has gone down. The high school field also, because of the money and the Board of Education and their budget and the Township and their budget. The back field of the high school was a purchase agreement between the high school and Township and a nice soccer field was developed. We are in the process now of dealing with people to make that facility as nice as possible. We have great facilities at the high school, they just need to be upgraded. Why not put it together. Maybe Pop Warner and the high school can sit down and talk about the facilities, maybe we can work on it together. There could be a possible development of a turf field with lights. There are a lot of people that want to see this town move in the right direction.

Mike Jenkins
806 Arbordale Drive

Mr. Jenkins stated it seems like you are willing to help us. I am leaving here tonight not accurate on when are we meeting and what happens next.

Mr. Coren stated the president of Pop Warner should contact his office and we will start the process.

Mr. Jenkins stated there is a safety issue at the field.

Mr. Coren stated Mr. Colabelli is certified safety expert in managing athletic fields and if there are issues that we are unaware of you can bring to the table we will take care of them.

Mayor Sobel stated the first thing are the safety issues than it will be making the field more playable, removing trees, or reconfiguring Guisti, etc. Than looking for other parts of the town that might make more sense to have a regulation field or maybe a practice field. We have to sit down and talk about it. We don't want to sit here a year from know and nothing being done.

Charlene Wills
6 Bayview Street

Ms. Wills stated this is her second year involved with Pop Warner with her son. There is a major concern about the field being safe. We haven't had any rain this summer and the ground was so hard that her son got hurt.

Mary Kate Dillon

Ms Dillon stated her son is on the team that won the championship and the parking issues are going to be major. We were there three and a half hours before our game took place along with all the other towns. Every single one of those towns had a representative from the town even a fire truck. Our town had nothing. Oakshades field had a tree stump at the baseball and softball field. All the fields need to be looked at. Come out and support your teams.

Mayor Sobel thanked everyone for coming and we will wait for Mr. Jackson to contact Mr. Coren and we will get meetings scheduled as quick as possible.

There being no one else present wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel closed the public portion.

Councilman Minutolo made a motion to adjourn to executive session, seconded by Councilman Raymond and unanimously concurred by Council.

The meeting reconvened with all the same members in attendance.

Mr. Coren reported out of executive session the following resolution: Resolution No. 2005-130, A resolution extending the time allowed to the PRC to negotiate and execute a redeveloper's agreement for the properties known as South River Metals.

Deputy Mayor Drapkin made a motion to introduce Resolution No. 2005-130 and move its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Raymond.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Gumbs, Minutolo, Perry, Raymond, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Drapkin and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Mr. Coren stated next is Resolution No. 2005-131, that would authorize and direct the Township

Manager to commence negotiations to acquire through voluntary sale or other legal means certain properties adjacent to the municipal building, Block 62, Lot 1, 152 Church Street.

Deputy Mayor Drapkin made a motion to introduce Resolution No. 2005-131 and move its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Minutolo.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Gumbs, Minutolo, Raymond, Vinci and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilman Perry and Deputy Mayor Drapkin

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Raymond made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Minutolo and unanimously concurred by Council.

David G. Sobel, Mayor

Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk