

WORK SESSION
January 23, 2012

A work session of the Mayor and Common Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, Sussex County, New Jersey, was held in the Council Chambers in the Borough Hall on January 23, 2012.

Mayor Ciasullo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Upon Roll Call the following Council Members appeared and answered the call:
Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla. Absent: Amodeo.

Notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, NJSA 10:4:4-6 have been satisfied with a schedule of all meetings, together with the time, location and agenda of same being sent to the New Jersey Herald and the New Jersey Sunday Herald, and posted on the bulletin board in the Borough hall on January 3, 2012.

Councilman Ingerto moved, Councilman McGuire seconded motion to adopt the following resolution. Councilman Ingerto stated that the Borough is looking for a Coordinator for the Alliance and if we can't find someone from town then we will look outside of town.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg to appoint the following to the Ogdensburg Municipal Alliance.

<u>Individual Representative</u>	<u>Sector</u>
Wayne Ingerto/Council Member	Mayor/Governing Body
/Coordinator	Parent-Teachers Association
Jean Castimore/President Historical Society	Local Civic Association
Connie Gibson/Church Secretary-St. Thomas Of Aquin	Faith Based Organizations
Anna Szonyi	Parents & others directly affected by ATOD abuse or juvenile delinquency
Patricia Sabourin/Chairperson	Prevention/Treatment Organization
Emily Slockbower	Senior Citizen
Pam Ciasullo	Concerned Citizen

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be effective retro active as of January 1, 2012.

Yeas: Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla. Copy attached as Schedule 1.

Mayor Ciasullo briefly discussed contracting for the rehab program. The Mayor stated the Borough would like to use local contractors for the Housing Rehab program, but cannot seem to get anyone locally to do it. Steve Weinberg, Coordinator for the program asked if he may go outside the Borough to look for contactors. Mayor doesn't want to see the program being held up and doesn't see any problems going with contractors from other areas. The Mayor also mentioned that there is \$400,000.00 in the account to use and would like to see the residents take advantage of this program.

Mayor Ciasullo also spoke about the Building Department and reiterated what the options were with the State and with staying with Sparta. If the Borough goes with the

state, there would only be the fees collected and no additional expenses. They would come in two days a week to speak with residents and do inspections five days a week. The state also would go with a one year contract if the Borough wishes to do that. Sparta is looking at a four year contract plus expenses along with the fees being collected. After a brief discussion, Mayor Ciasullo asked Council if they wanted to take a vote. Councilman McGuire moved, Councilman Hann seconded motion to have the State of New Jersey as the Borough's UCC Official as of March 1, 2012 and end the current contract with Sparta Township. Yeas: Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla. Councilman Ingerto informed Mayor and Council that we received the renewal for Lovenberg's Portable Toilet. Councilman Ingerto moved, Councilman McGuire seconded motion to renew the contract with Lovenberg's for the 2012 year. Yeas: Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Councilman McGuire mentioned to council that he would like to discuss the Edison House. Councilman McGuire moved, Councilman Ingerto seconded motion to open the public session of the meeting. Yeas: Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Jean Castimore, 63 Main Street informed Mayor and Council that Mr. McCabe was not able to make the meeting tonight due to a previous engagement. Ms. Castimore stated the report is done and Mr. McCabe should be getting copies by the end of the week to review and it is also being mailed out. The next meeting of the Edison Fund will be in early February. Ms. Castimore was asked to hold off on any decisions until they hear back on the grant. Ms. Castimore feels if everything goes well they should receive enough grant money to fund any expenses for the rehabilitation of the Edison House. Glen Lowe, 18 Richards St. informed Mayor and Council that nothing has been done with the retention pond and it has been over a month since he has written to the Association. Mayor Ciasullo asked for a copy of the letter and stated that he will send Kevin Kervatt, Zoning Official out to look at it.

Christopher Ross, Supervisor of the Department of Public Works handed in the Department of Public Works budget. Mr. Ross discussed plowing during the last storm and the problems that arose with their backhoe. Mr. Ross stated that all the roads were done before noon time. Rick Keslo, Chief of Fire informed Mayor and Council that the Fire Department will be having an installation dinner again. There being no further business from the public, Councilman Opilla moved, Councilman McGuire seconded motion to close the public session of the meeting. Yeas: Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire Opilla.

At 7:56 p.m. Councilman McGuire moved, Councilman Andrews seconded motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel and Police contract. Yeas: Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

At 8:49 p.m. Mayor and Council returned to the work session. Mayor and Council started to work on the budget. Chris Ross, Supervisor of the Department of Public Works informed Mayor and Council that Morris County Coop had to re-bid the truck he is looking for. Also was discussed was hiring a fourth man for the DPW. Mr. Ross also spoke about FEMA and the report that he has been working on with FEMA. Mr. Ross said he is still trying to get someone from FEMA to finish up the report. The CFO gave a report on what she has worked on with the budget. Some of the departments have handed in their budgets, which will be reviewed. Council went over some of the budget but still needs to look at it more thoroughly. The CFO kept the number for reserve for uncollected taxes that same as last year. All the departments will be looked at more thoroughly. The CFO was asked to update the budget pages for the next meeting. Council decided on the next budget meeting to be on January 30th at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Councilman Hann moved, Councilman McGuire seconded motion to adjourn the meeting. Yeas: Andrews, Hann, Ingerto, McGuire, Opilla.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Mayor