



Agenda
Meeting of the Municipal Council
Tuesday, September 8, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.
WORK SESSION

- Clerk to Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call.
- Silent Prayer/Moment of Reflection.
- Salute to the Flag.
- **(Announcement by City Clerk):** In compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act,” Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, adequate Notice of this meeting has been provided in the following manner: The Annual Notice was forwarded to the Asbury Park Press, The Coaster and Star Ledger on January 2, 2015, and posted on the bulletin board the same date. All notices are on file with the City Clerk.
- Items for Review:
 - A. City Manager’s Report on Issues Raised at Prior Council Meeting(s).
 - B. Special Event/Wedding Applications:
 - 1. Special Events
 - a. 1st Annual Women’s Weekend NJ
 - C. Presentations/Public Hearing:
 - 1. Items to be presented by **Michele Alonso, City Planner:**
 - a. Application for Grant from Monmouth County Park Municipal Open Space Grant Program (Bradley Cove)
 - PUBLIC HEARING ON GRANT APPLICATION
 - b. Concept Development for the NJ Route 71 Pavement Rehabilitation Project in the City of Asbury Park
 - 2. Items to be presented by **Kevin Keddy, Fire Chief**
 - a. Memorandum of Understanding – Monmouth County Technical Operations Taskforce
 - D. Discussion Items:
 - a. 2015-2016 Liquor License Renewals
 - E. Statement by Municipal Clerk regarding Initiative Petitions

F. Review of Agenda Items for September 9, 2015 Regular meeting.

G. Matters from City Council

H. Matters from City Manager

I. Matters from City Attorney

J. Public Participation (Announcement by City Clerk):

May I have a motion to open the public comment portion of the meeting with a 3-minute time limit for each speaker. Take Motion.

[The Public is expected to conduct themselves in a proper manner. Any derogatory, abusive, or threatening statements will not be permitted. The Chair will immediately rule such conduct out of order and, after appropriate warning, may terminate any further comments from that speaker.]

I. Adjournment.



MINUTES
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City Clerk Dye called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following Council Members were present: Council Member Yvonne Clayton, Council Member Jesse Kendle, Council Member Joe Woerner, Deputy Mayor Amy Quinn and Mayor John Moor. Also present were: Acting City Attorney Barry Capp, Acting Deputy City Manager Kevin Keddy and City Clerk Cindy Dye.

City Clerk Dye announced the following: "As to comply with the "Open Public Meetings Act," Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, adequate Notice of this meeting has been provided in the following manner: The Annual Notice was forwarded to the Asbury Park Press, The Coaster and Star Ledger on January 2, 2015, and posted on the bulletin board the same date. All notices are on file with the City Clerk."

Items for Review:

A. City Manager's Report on Issues Raised at Prior Council Meeting(s).

Acting Deputy City Manager Keddy provided follow-up from comments at the August 24 and August 6 Council meetings.

A. Special Event/Wedding Applications: Mayor Moor stated that he attended the Special Events meeting should there be any questions.

1. Special Events

a. 1st Annual Women's Weekend NJ

B. Presentations/Public Hearing:

1. Items to be presented by **Michele Alonso, City Planner:**

a. Application for Grant from Monmouth County Park Municipal Open Space Grant Program (Bradley Cove)

Michele Alonso, Director of Planning and Redevelopment gave a brief presentation on the purpose of the grant for acquisition and background information on Bradley Cove Park. The project scope and timeline was presented. Councilman Joe Woerner further elaborated on the history of the park project. The concept plan was distributed as a hand-out.

Public Speaking portion:

Speaker: Rita Morano

Ms. Morano questioned where the rest of the match money would come from and who determines price and would it be a cost burden to the City.

Councilman Woerner explained the municipality would fundraise the rest of the funds and that the cost would be fair market value. He explained that development of the acquisition would be a higher cost burden to the municipality since its location is in a sensitive area up against the beach. He explained a park would enhance local property values and not be a tax burden on the municipality.

Speaker: Tracy Rodgers

Mr. Rodgers asked who owns the property and shouldn't the waterfront developer Istar provide us recreation space. He also asked when the park will be developed.

Councilman Woerner responded that the City owns the property and that Istar has the development rights. Currently this application is just for acquisition and that we hope to acquire within the year.

Speaker: Jerry Scarano

Mr. Scarano believes that Istar should not be paid for taking land from the city. We should start an eminent domain process and we should consider putting something fun in the space such as a restaurant and bar as there use to be near the site.

Councilman Woerner explained that it is the desire of the municipality not to use eminent domain at this time.

Maureen Nevins signed the attendance sheet, but did not speak.

b. Concept Development for the NJ Route 71 Pavement Rehabilitation Project in the City of Asbury Park

Michele Alonso, Director of Planning and Redevelopment provided a brief synopsis of the resolution and the concerns stated therein. Mayor Moor provided his opinion and concerns regarding the meeting with the NJDOT and this proposed concept plan.

2. Items to be presented by **Kevin Keddy, Fire Chief**
 - a. Memorandum of Understanding – Monmouth County Technical Operations Taskforce

Fire Chief Kevin Keddy reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding with the Council and discussed the need for this agreement.

- C. Discussion Items:
 - a. 2015-2016 Liquor License Renewals

City Clerk Dye stated that the Council received a highlight changes to the resolution, which was at the recommendation of Deputy Police Chief Salerno.

D. Statement by Municipal Clerk regarding Initiative Petitions

The City Clerk made the following statement to the public:

On August 14, 2015, I received initiative petitions to place four questions on the general/municipal election ballot on November 3, 2015, pursuant to the initiative and referendum provisions of the Faulkner Act, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-184-196. Thereafter, I undertook due diligence to review the petitions to determine whether they were prepared and submitted in accordance with all relevant statutory requirements. Following my review, I have determined that all four petitions must be rejected at this time due to the fact that they were not submitted in a timely manner in order for the proposed questions to be placed on the November 3, 2015 general/municipal election ballot. Additionally, the petitions were rejected at this time due to the fact that there were an insufficient number of valid signatures identified for each of the proposed questions, therefore rendering them to be disqualified. With insufficient signatures, the petitions would not qualify to be on the ballot for the November 3, 2015 election or any election thereafter, if necessary. The petitioners were provided with a copy of my written decision concerning this matter on September 4, 2015.

E. Review of Agenda Items for September 9, 2015 Regular meeting.

Council members requested clarification on various agenda items. Acting City Deputy Manager Keddy indicated he would provide those answers prior to tomorrow's meeting.

F. Matters from City Council

Council Member Kendle thanked all who sent well wishes during his illness. Mayor Moor noted various items that need to be tracked for short term and long term projects.

G. Matters from City Manager - None

H. Matters from City Attorney - None

I. Public Participation (Announcement by City Clerk):

A motion was made to open the meeting to the public by Council Member Kendle. It was seconded by Council Member Clayton. All were in favor.

The following members of the public spoke: Rita Marano, Maurine Nevine, Tracy Rogers and Jerry Scarano

A motion was made to close public comment made by Mayor Moor and seconded by Council Member Woerner. All were in favor.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting made by Council Member Kendle and seconded by Mayor Moor. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Cindy A. Dye, City Clerk