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**AGENDA  
SPECIAL MEETING  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2010  
5:00PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**
- 2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**
- 3. ROLL CALL**
- 4. 2010 BUDGET WORKSHOP**
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 et seq. if necessary).**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
AGENDA  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2010  
6:30PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**
- 2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**
- 3. ROLL CALL**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS- There is a 5 minute limit on comments**
- 5. RESOLUTION**
  - a. 2010 Temporary Emergency Appropriation #1**
- 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 et seq. if necessary)**
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**April 19, 2010**

A special meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach was held in the council chamber on the above date.

Mayor Schreck opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

**Sunshine Law**

The meeting has been noticed publicly according to the Open Public Meetings Act requirement for "Annual Notice", and posted on the official bulletin board.

**Roll Call 5:21 PM**

Present: Council: Cotler, Marchak, Engelstad, Galassetti  
Mayor Schreck  
Administrator O'Reilly

Councilman Engelstad arrived at 5:22pm.  
Councilwoman Marchak arrived at 5:27pm.

Secretary: Municipal Clerk Mary Ann Solinski

Also in attendance: CFO Joyce Wilkins

**BUDGET WORKSHOP**

Mayor Schreck gave an overview of the municipal and utility budgets. She noted that at present, the Council must search for ways to trim the 2010 municipal budget as the budget is currently \$447,000 over the state mandated 4% tax levy cap. Council discussed several options to lower the budget.

One main discussion was to create a utility for trash removal and pickup as at present the costs are under the municipal budget. The utility would be separate from the general budget and would be funded by taxpayers. Residents would be billed separately for the services like the current sewer utility budget. Councilman Galassetti supporting the idea noted that residents need to start discarding recyclables in appropriately labeled recycling bins and not put everything in with trash. The additional items add to the cost for disposal (dumping fees based on weight). He also suggested that the commercial businesses pick up the cost for their own garbage collection as at present this is subsidized by taxpayers.

As Council reviewed the budget several items were modified or deleted. The total reductions identified totaled \$117,000.00. Items included Fire Truck Maintenance, Improvement to Lifeguard Headquarters and creation of the garbage utility for this year.

Mayor Schreck noted that the pay freeze negotiated with Local 152 and management employees total \$40,000 and those employees have agreed to pay into their health care with

another savings of approximately \$10,000. She also noted that two vacant positions will not be filled this year.

Mayor Schreck noted that the borough maybe facing a very large potential obligation to police for monies promised to them in past years; at least four to five people are eligible for a collective 100 to 300 days of compensated sick time at a rate of \$400-500 per day. The Borough is also seeking health care which cost the same or less than it does now.

Councilwoman Marchak noted that she feels an increase in the fire department budget this year when other departments have made cuts and this section should seriously be reviewed by Council. She also questioned a salary line item for licensing officer under the municipal clerk. Administrator O'Reilly said that this salary was paid to an employee in the code office in the past for mercantile licensing and that she decided it should be under the municipal clerk's section of the budget. Councilman Cotler also questioned the interim code officer salary line item and a brief discussion ensued.

Council continued to review individual line items and questioned whether it is necessary to pay some beach personnel on rainy days. Councilman Galassetti said that he felt everyone including lifeguards should only be paid by the hour versus paying a full day's salary. He also agreed that perhaps \$30,000 could be cut from the fire department budget this year. A brief discussion also ensued about increasing daily beach badges by fifty cents.

Councilman Cotler commented that he feels utility cost could be significantly reduced for example in street light expenses by changing to solar light power or turning off the lights at the beachfront walkway. Councilman Galassetti also said that perhaps deleting the decorative lights along Main Street may also help reduce electric costs. Both Councilmen Galassetti and Cotler proposed that the Borough discuss energy saving costs with Jersey Central Power and Light Company.

Council took a brief recess from the budget workshop at 6:39PM to conduct the special meeting advertised for adoption of an Emergency Temporary Budget.

Council resumed the Budget Workshop meeting at 6:49pm.

Council continued reviewing line items and discussed line items including the following: Police communication console, fire department operating costs for the banquet hall, asking that the fire department provide the current rental hall fees- Councilman Galassetti suggested having a fee for restaurants to use the facility for events larger than can be accommodated in the business location. He also suggested that perhaps the First Aid and the Fire Department should be housed in the new firehouse in order to help alleviate financial stress to both entities. Fire company representatives explained that there was an additional cost for the repair of the aerial truck which must be addressed in this year's budget.

Councilman Cotler suggested cutting overtime and comp time across the board.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Pat D'Angelo noted that past Councils and the Administrator were always very frugal and reminded Council that the public may not mind paying a little more in taxes for their services. He suggested looking at the library, school as well as other areas to seek a way to raise funds. Mr. D'Angelo commented that all the departments do a good job.

Marilyn Rosen state that the Borough would save monies if the interlocal is done with Neptune City for court services. Mayor Schreck said that the AOC approval has not be granted at the present time. Ms. Rosen also commented that she feels it would be in the best interest of the borough to enter into an interlocal for police dispatch services with Neptune Township.

Mr. D'Angelo commented that he feels the dispatch service provides a sense of security to the community.

Rae Tutela stated that she feels it would be better for the Borough to consider an interlocal with Avon and Neptune City before entering into an agreement with Neptune Township.

Mayor Schreck announced that the Dispatch Study will be discussed at the April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Councilman Cotler noting that the Borough had a history of providing entertainment at the beachfront seven nights per week which was reduced to six a few years ago requested a motion be offered that a that the Cotler Family will provide entertainment at the beachfront on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday at the beachfront.

On motion by Galassetti / Marchak to allow the Cotler family to provide entertainment two nights at the beachfront which is a wonderful idea.

ROLL CALL AYES: Cotler, Marchak, Engelstad, Galassetti, Schreck

NAYS: None

APPROVED MOTION.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

ON MOTION by Schreck / Galassetti the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

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Mary Ann Solinski, RMC, CMC  
Municipal Clerk

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**Roll Call 6:40 PM**

Present: Council: Cotler, Marchak, Engelstad, Galassetti  
Mayor Schreck  
Administrator O’Reilly  
Secretary: Municipal Clerk Mary Ann Solinski

Also in attendance: CFO Joyce Wilkins

**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution 42                    **EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION BUDGET #2**

ON MOTION                    by Schreck / Galassetti moved to adoption.  
ROLL CALL                    AYES: Cotler, Marchak, Engelstad, Galassetti, Schreck  
**ADOPTED RESOLUTION**

Before taking a vote, Councilman Cotler said that he was really upset that this issue was politicized by the Mayor. He reminded everyone that the code which Mayor Schreck instituted says that all paperwork related to items under consideration by Council will be in the Council’s hands on the Thursday preceding a Tuesday meeting in order to give ample time for review before action is taken and to avoid “rubber-stamping” items. He pointed to the \$400,000 the Chief Financial Officer was able to cut from the proposed temporary at the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting as an example of the benefit of carefully reviewing proposed items before voting on them. Councilwoman Marchak added that the money saved on the temporary budget shows the importance of having meeting materials in advance as opposed to ten minutes before the meeting starts.

Mayor Schreck clarified that the paperwork and agenda for a meeting are to be available ninety six (96) hours before the meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** no one spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT**

ON MOTION            by Schreck / Galassetti the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM.

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Mary Ann Solinski, RMC, CMC  
Municipal Clerk