

**BOROUGH OF KEANSBURG**  
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL & REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

May 6, 2009 Special

**Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Cusick read the following:

ADEQUATE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN OF THIS MEETING BY NOTIFICATION TO THE ASBURY PARK PRESS  
AND THE STAR - LEDGER AND PLACED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING OF THE BOROUGH OF KEANSBURG..

Mr. Cusick asked all to rise and recite:

**Salute to the Flag**

Mr. Cusick took:

**Roll Call**

Mr. DePompa	Mr. Hoff	Mrs. Strydio	Mr. Cocuzza	Mr. Boden
√	Excused	√	√	√

**Moment of Silence:**

**Mayor Boden requested a moment of silence in recognition of:**

**Thomas O'Keefe**  
Resident Firefighter

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*Thomas L. O'Keefe, 35, of Keansburg, passed away, Wednesday, April 29, 2009, at home. Born in Red Bank, he resided in Union Beach, and Louisiana, MO, for seven years, before moving back to Keansburg in 2006. He was a communicant of St. Ann's RC Church, Keansburg; a volunteer fireman with the Manning Place firehouse; and an EMT with Newpoint Comfort, Keansburg. He was employed as a police officer in Missouri for the seven years he resided there. For the past two years, he was employed as a sprinkler fitter apprentice with Local 696, Millburn, NJ. He served his country in the US Marine Corp during peacetime.*

*Thomas is survived by his wife, Laurie Hatch O'Keefe; his children, Alyssa O'Keefe and Anthony "AJ" O'Keefe, both of Keansburg; stepchildren, Darrell Wright of Louisiana, MO; William Wright of Hannibel, MO; Krystal Harrah of Hannibel, MO; and Dan Harrah of Louisiana, MO; his parents, Arthur and Sheryl Valania O'Keefe of Keansburg; two brothers, Patrick O'Keefe of Middletown; and Joseph O'Keefe of Keansburg; a sister, Jennifer Jiminez and her husband, Carlos of Middletown; and three grandchildren, Kaden, Hailey and Rylan Wright.*

**Redevelopment Presentation:**

**10 Carr Avenue**

**Applicant did not appear before Council. Mr. Cusick will check present status with the Planning Board Secretary.**

**Proclamation:**

Mr. Cusick read the following Proclamation:

**Proclamation**

**Whereas**, there were 592 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2008; and

**Whereas**, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a seat belt; and

**Whereas**, use of a seat belt remains the most effective way to avoid death or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

**Whereas**, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 135,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally between 1975-2000; and

**Whereas**, the State of New Jersey will participate in participate in the nationwide Click It or Ticket seat belt mobilization from May 18 – May 31, 2009 in an effort to raise awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of enforcement and education; and

**Whereas**, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of increasing the seat belt usage rate in the State from the current level of 91.75% to 100%; and

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**Whereas**, a further increase in seat belt usage in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways.

**Therefore Be It Resolved** that the Borough of Keansburg declares it's support for the Click It or Ticket seat belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 18 – May 31, 2009 and pledges to increase awareness of the mobilization and the benefits of seat belt use.

Resolution #61 was acted upon at this time.

**Resolutions:**

**RESOLUTION #09- 061      RESOLUTION 159 – Click It or Ticket Grant**

**REQUESTING APPROVAL OF INSERTION OF \$4,000 INTO THE SFY 2009 BUDGET  
REVENUE AVAILABLE FROM NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY (NHTSA)  
SECTION 405 OCCUPANT PROTECTION GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S. 40:4-87 provides that the Director of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Keansburg hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the SFY 2009 Year in the sum of **\$4,000** which item is now available as a revenue from the **National Highway Traffic Safety (NHTSA) Section 405 Occupant Protection**.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of **\$4,000** be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

**National Highway Traffic Safety (NHTSA) Section 405 Occupant Protection**

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio		√	√			
Mr. Cocuzza	√		√			
Mr. Boden			√			

**Ordinances:**

**Second Reading:**

**ORDINANCE 1481 Stormwater/Drainage**

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF ENGINEERING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF STORMWATER PUMP FACILITIES, STORMWATER DRAINAGE PIPES AND OUTFALLS, FREE-STANDING DRAINAGE AND PUMPING DEVICES AND NECESSARY RECONSTRUCTION OF ROADWAYS AND PROPERTY RELATIVE TO STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Keansburg (“The Borough”), in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey (the “Borough”) has determined the need to provide for the funding of engineering, design, construction and reconstruction of stormwater pump facilities, stormwater drainage pipes and outfalls,

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free-standing drainage and pumping devices and all necessary and incidental roadway and property reconstruction relative to such drainage improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has available \$390,000 in the Borough's capital improvement fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF KEANSBURG, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized as general capital improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough of Keansburg, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey. For the improvements or purposes described in Section 2, there is hereby appropriated \$390,000, said sum being inclusive of \$390,000 from the Borough's Capital Improvement Fund.

Section 2. The improvements hereby authorized to be undertaken consist of the engineering, design, construction and reconstruction of stormwater pump facilities, stormwater drainage pipes and outfalls, free-standing drainage and pumping devices and all necessary and incidental roadway and property reconstruction relative to such drainage improvements, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.

Section 3. The 2009 capital budget of the Borough will conform to the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 4. An aggregate amount not exceeding \$50,000 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.

Section 5. The Borough Attorney and other Borough officials and representatives are hereby authorized to do all things necessary to accomplish the purposes of the appropriation made herein.

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote to open the meeting public:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio	√		√			
Mr. Cocuzza		√	√			
Mr. Boden			√			

Christopher J. Hoff  
26 Harding

Asked about where the work would take place and the costs.

Mr. Cusick and Mr. Bennett detailed costs and the location of work (Beaconlight & Raritan pumps, Raritan Avenue lead line, design costs of outfalls (bay) and the purchase of the portable pump)

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote to close the meeting public:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio	√		√			
Mr. Cocuzza		√	√			
Mr. Boden			√			

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Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote to adopt:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio			√			
Mr. Cocuzza	√		√			
Mr. Boden		√	√			

**First Reading:**

**ORDINANCE 1482 Adopting International Property Code**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF KEANSBURG ADOPTING THE 2006 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS, AND STRUCTURES; BY PROVIDING THE STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; AND THE CONDEMNATION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE, AND THE DEMOLITION OF SUCH EXISTING STRUCTURES IN THE BOROUGH OF KEANSBURG; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFORE; REPEALING ORDINANCE # 1240 OF THE BOROUGH OF KEANSBURG AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF THE ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keansburg does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. That a certain document, three (3) copies of which are on file in the office of the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Keansburg, being marked and designated as the International Property Maintenance Code, 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, be and is hereby adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the Borough of Keansburg, in the State of New Jersey for regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such existing structures as herein provided; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said Property Maintenance Code on file in the office of the Borough Clerk are hereby referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this ordinance, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 2 of this ordinance.

SECTION 2.

That ordinance No. 1240 of the Borough of Keansburg entitled: “ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MINIMUM REGULATION GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; BY PROVIDING THE STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO INSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; AND THE CONDEMNATION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE AND THE DEMOLITION OF SUCH STRUCTURES; KNOWN AS THE BOCA PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE ” is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance. The Mayor and Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional. The remainder of all other sections and subsections of the aforementioned Ordinance not specifically amended by this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That nothing in this ordinance or in the Property Maintenance Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or

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ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 2 of this ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this ordinance. All Ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 6. That the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to cause this ordinance to be published as required by law.

SECTION 7. That this ordinance and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect 20 days from and after the date of its final passage and adoption.

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote to introduce and set down for public hearing on May 27, 2009 at 7pm:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio		√	√			
Mr. Cocuzza						√
Mr. Boden	√		√			

**Resolutions:**

**RESOLUTION #09- 057 Payment of Bills (5.6.09)**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keansburg that the following numbered Vouchers be paid to the person therein respectively and hereinafter named, for the amounts set opposite their respective names and endorsed and approved on said vouchers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that checks be drawn by the Chief Financial Officer, signed by the Mayor and attested to by the Municipal Clerk as required by law:

Current	\$1,422,128.37
	44,539.72
	48,359.35
	1,484.38
	4,137.17
Total:	\$1,520,648.99

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio		√	√			
Mr. Cocuzza	√		√			
Mr. Boden			√			

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**RESOLUTION #09- 058 Cancellation of Property Taxes**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keansburg that by direction of the Tax Collector the following tax amounts be canceled:

BLOCK	LOT	AMOUNT	REASON
8	18	\$1,150.08	House demolished/fire
18	30	2,536.89	Ownership by Borough
57	3	1,329.52	House demolished/fire
57	4	1,226.24	House demolished/fire
57	5	1,514.32	House demolished/fire
70	1	271.32	Property donated to Borough
70	7	267.46	Exempt Veteran
102	1	108.67	Error: Lot designation
108	5	1,306.91	Exempt Veteran
111	5	1,274.72	House demolished
155	19	2,233.28	Exempt Veteran
163	16.02	891.54	Settlement Agreement/ property utilized by Borough

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer.

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio		√	√			
Mr. Cocuzza	√		√			
Mr. Boden			√			

**RESOLUTION #09- 059 SFY 09 Budget Transfer**

**RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS BETWEEN BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.40A:4-58**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-58 provides for the transfer as permitted between budget appropriations during the last two months of the fiscal year:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Council of the Borough of Keansburg (not less than two thirds of the governing body affirmatively concurring) that transfers between SFY 2009 budget appropriations be made as follows:

from			to		
a/c#	Name	Amount	a/c#	Name	Amount
9-01-23-220-200	GROUP INSURANCE	3500.	9-01-25-111-200	Parking Meter Maintenance	2500.
			9-01-20-120-200	Clerk- other expenses	1000.
		3500.			3500.

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio		√	√			
Mr. Cocuzza	√		√			
Mr. Boden			√			

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**RESOLUTION #09- 060 School Tax Levy**

WHEREAS, the local general fund tax levy for the Keansburg Board of Education for the school year 2009-2010 in the amount of \$ 4,325,910.00 was defeated at the election held on April 21, 2009; and

WHEREAS, members of the Keansburg Board of Education, Superintendent of Schools and Board Secretary/Business Administrator met with representatives of the Keansburg Borough Council on April 27, 2009; and

WHEREAS, after these deliberations the Borough Council desires to reduce the local general fund tax levy of the Keansburg Board of Education by \$ 39,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keansburg that the governing body does hereby reduce the local general fund tax levy of the Keansburg Board of Education for the 2009-2010 school year from

**\$ 4,325,910.00 to \$ 4,286,910.00.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a reduction in the general fund tax levy in the amount of \$ 39,000.00 in the Health Benefits line item is requested by the Keansburg Borough Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revised budget is sufficient to provide a thorough and efficient education in the Keansburg School District.

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio		√	√			
Mr. Cocuzza	√		√			
Mr. Boden			√			

**Council Discussion:**

Councilwoman Strydio                      Informed members of Council about an affair to be held June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Dynamic Dance Studio. Asked fellow Councilmembers their opinion on reviving the Miss Keansburg contest. Council agreed and hoped it will be a positive venture for the town. Councilwoman Strydio will present the idea to the Recreation Committee

Would also like to see recognition of local businessman Arne Henn for his continued assistance to the Police involving investigations of personal property

Mayor Boden                                      Announced that the Memorial Day Parade will be held on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Open to the Public:**

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio		√	√			
Mr. Cocuzza			√			
Mr. Boden	√		√			

Raymond Cann  
69 Shore Blvd                                      Reported on the Keansburg Historical Society presentation at the Lighthouse Association meeting, 37 members visited the Borough:

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Very impressive turnout

Thanks to the Keansburg Police Department for help with directions to the members who came into town

Reported on Tree & Beautification Comm. 3/25 Freehold Meeting. Gypsy Moth eradication is very successful. County will be faced with tiger mosquito infestation this summer.

Christopher J. Hoff  
26 Harding

Asked for a copy of the letter awarding \$100,000.00 in Extraordinary Aid.

There was a discussion in the disparity and lack of specific criteria set forth by the DCA in awarding Extraordinary Aid.

Spoke about Code Enforcement at the Kalian Property on Beachway and the old Berkshire Property located at Pineview and Center

Wondered if the "Click It or Ticket" campaign could be piggybacked with DWI. Mr. Cusick replied that it would be at the discretion of the Chief.

Thanked community at large for the success of the Parade

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio	√		√			
Mr. Cocuzza		√	√			
Mr. Boden			√			

**Council Discussion:**

Mayor Boden

Expressed concerns with the Memorial Day Parade beginning at 12 noon due to church services

Councilwoman Strydio

Spoke about the Library and Arts Program this upcoming summer

Councilman Cocuzza

Spoke about meeting with the Monmouth County Health Commission and an upcoming Skin Cancer screening on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Keansburg beachfront

Spoke about the opening of the outfall at Raritan Avenue and the sinkhole at that site.

Requested a letter to the Diocese of Trenton with St. Ann's in regard to the future use of the St. Ann's School. Possible we could utilize it for the town.

Keypost taking down at Lampposts

**Adjournment**

Mr. Cusick asked for a roll call vote:

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mr. DePompa			√			
Mr. Hoff					√	
Mrs. Strydio	√		√			
Mr. Cocuzza			√			
Mr. Boden		√	√			