

BOROUGH OF OCEAN GATE

COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

AGENDA

May 8, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

SUNSHINE STATEMENT: Notice of this meeting was advertised in the Star Ledger issue of September 20, 2023 and posted in the Municipal Office Building, Adrian Hall and the Ocean Gate Post Office.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL: Mayor Curtin, Council President McGrath, Councilman Haug, Councilwoman Nicastro, Councilman Cox, Councilman Fry, Councilman Zieser

The Governing Body welcomes the Ocean Gate School 3rd and 4th Grade students to our 2024 Government Day!

Report of Matthew Donohue, Municipal Attorney

REPORT OF MAYOR CURTIN

CORRESPONDENCE

COUNCIL COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Council President McGrath
Councilman Haug
Councilwoman Nicastro
Councilman Cox
Councilman Fry
Councilman Zieser

ORDINANCE 693-24 CALENDAR YEAR 2024 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Motion to introduce ord. 693-24: _____ Second: _____

Roll call vote: McGrath, Haug, Nicastro, Cox, Fry, Zieser

RESOLUTION 2024-131 2024 Municipal Budget

Motion to approve resolution 2024-131: _____ Second: _____

Roll call vote: McGrath, Haug, Nicastro, Cox, Fry, Zieser

CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Borough of Ocean Gate and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTION 2024-132 Authorizing Application for the NJ Clean Energy Program Grant
RESOLUTION 2024-133 Hiring Seasonal Employees

Motion: _____ Second: _____
Roll call vote: McGrath, Haug, Nicastro, Cox, Fry, Zieser

RESOLUTION 2024-134 Payment of Bills
Motion: _____ Second: _____
Roll call vote: McGrath, Haug, Nicastro, Cox, Fry, Zieser

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Governing Body of the Borough of Ocean Gate offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operation of the Borough. Individuals that take this opportunity need to state their name and address and limit their comments to 3 minutes. All comments will be considered, and a response will be forthcoming when appropriate. The Governing Body asks that members of the public be courteous when speaking.

Motion to adjourn:
Motion: _____ Second: _____
Roll call vote: McGrath, Haug, Nicastro, Cox, Fry, Zieser

ORDINANCE 693-24

**CALENDAR YEAR 2024 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 445.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 1% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Ocean Gate in the County of Ocean finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2024 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$78,274.75 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated, as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Ocean Gate, in the County of Ocean, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Ocean Gate shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 1.0%, amounting to \$31,309.90 and that the CY 2024 municipal budget for the Borough of Ocean Gate be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading of the Borough Council of Ocean Gate, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, held on May 8, 2024 and will come on for a second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of said Borough Council to be held on June 12, 2024, at Borough Council Chambers, 801 Ocean Gate Avenue, Ocean Gate, New Jersey, at 7:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at which last mentioned date, hour and place any person desiring to be heard either for or against the adoption of the within ordinance will be given an opportunity to be so heard.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Ileana Vazquez-Gallipoli, R.M.C., C.M.R.
Municipal Clerk

Robert Curtin, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2024-131

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the Borough of Ocean Gate, County of Ocean for the Fiscal Year 2024

Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2024.

Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published in the Star Ledger Issue of May 13, 2024,

The Governing Body of The Borough of Ocean Gate does hereby approve the following Budget for the year 2024:

	((Abstained	(
Recorded	(((
Vote	Ayes	Nays		(
(Last Names)	(((
	((Absent	(Haug
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Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Ocean Gate, County of Ocean on May 8, 2024.

A hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held on June 26, 2024 at 7:00pm at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for 202 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

RESOLUTION 2024-132

AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION TO THE NJ CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM COMMUNITY ENERGY PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to ensure that its environmental, economic, and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ocean Gate strives to assure clean land, air, and water for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050 ("EMP") established that community-level action is necessary to achieve the state's goal of 100% clean energy by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has created a Community Energy Plan Grant program for municipalities to develop a community energy plan to meet the goals of the state's Energy Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ocean Gate is invested in developing a community energy plan to help the state achieve the goal of 100% clean energy by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the Community Energy Plan Grant program will help the Borough of Ocean Gate to plan for and invest in renewable energy and to work towards a better environment for all residents by using the state's Energy Master Plan (EMP) as a guide to develop sustainable strategies that increase clean energy production, reduce energy use, and cut emissions.

THEREFORE, the Council of the Borough of Ocean Gate has determined that the Borough of Ocean Gate should apply for the aforementioned Community Energy Planning Grant program; and

THEREFORE, the Borough of Ocean Gate will commit to providing staff support for the duration of the Community Energy Planning process, including for gathering of relevant data and for convening at least one public meeting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Ocean Gate, State of New Jersey, authorizes the submission of the aforementioned application to the NJBPU Community Energy Planning Grant program.

RESOLUTION 2024-133

HIRING SEASONAL EMPLOYEES – LIFEGUARD/BADGE CHECKERS

WHEREAS, the following persons have completed employment applications for the positions of Lifeguard/Badge Checkers in the Borough of Ocean Gate; and

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Ocean Gate that the hiring of the following seasonal employees is hereby approved effective June 15, 2024. All Lifeguard applicants are certified as lifeguards as well as First Aid and CPR.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE OF PAY</u>
Badge Checkers	Aimee Veltri	\$14.50
Lifeguards	Julia Johns	\$17.50

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the foregoing seasonal employees are not entitled to benefits, sick time or vacation time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall forward a certified copy of this resolution to the following:

1. Kristen Hudnut, Acting Chief Financial Officer
2. Personnel file
3. All applicants listed above

CERTIFICATION

I, Ileana Vazquez-Gallipoli, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Ocean Gate, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted a Council Workshop Meeting held on May 8, 2024.

Ileana Vazquez-Gallipoli, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

RESOLUTION 2024-134

AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has carefully examined all vouchers presented to the Borough for payment of claims; and

WHEREAS, after due consideration of said vouchers, the Borough Council has approved the payment of same; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the bill list has been audited and is in order for payment and funds totaling \$436,966.35 available in the respective accounts as set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Ocean Gate, County of Ocean, as follows:

1. The said approved 2024 vouchers amounting to the sum of \$436,966.35 the same are hereby authorized to be paid on May 8, 2024.

CERTIFICATION

I, Ileana Vazquez-Gallipoli, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Ocean Gate, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a Council Workshop Meeting held on May 8, 2024.

Ileana Vazquez-Gallipoli, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

P.O. Type: All
Range: First to Last
Format: Detail without Line Item Notes
Vendors: All
Rcvd Batch Id Range: First to Last
Include Non-Budgeted: Y

Open: N
Rcvd: Y
Bid: Y
Paid: N
Held: Y
State: Y
Void: N
Aprv: N
Other: Y
Exempt: Y

Vendor # Name	PO # PO Date Description	Item Description	Amount	Contract PO Type	Charge Account	Acct Type Description	Stat/chk	Enc Date	First Rcvd Date	Chk/Void Date	Invoice	1099 Excl
A0174 A'S HARDWARE AND GARDEN CENTER	24-00314 04/25/24 Various Supplies April 2024	1 Various Supplies April 2024	63.99	4-01-26-300-218	B Materials	R	04/25/24	05/02/24	1259175	N		
		2 Invoice# 1263787	15.32	4-01-26-310-218	B Materials	R	04/25/24	05/02/24	1263787	N		
		3 Invoice# 1263934	5.18	4-01-26-310-218	B Materials	R	04/25/24	05/02/24	1263934	N		
			84.49									
		Vendor Total:	84.49									

AMER1005 Ameritel Communications Corp.

24-00327 05/01/24 Monthly Phone Bill	1 Monthly Phone Bill	218.95	4-01-31-437-341	B Telephone	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N		
	2 Monthly Phone Bill	218.95	4-05-55-500-253	B Telephone	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N		
	3 Monthly Phone Bill	218.96	4-07-55-501-271	B Telephone	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N		
		656.86										
		Vendor Total:	656.86									

W2343 ANTONIDES AND SIBILIA, CPA'S

24-00340 05/01/24 FEE ACCOUNTANT SERVICES	1 FEE ACCOUNTANT SERVICES	1,975.00	4-01-20-130-299	B Miscellaneous	R	05/01/24	05/02/24		OGT-24-03	N		
	2 FEE ACCOUNTANT SERVICES	1,975.00	4-07-55-501-598	B Miscellaneous	R	05/01/24	05/02/24		OGT-24-03	N		
	3 FEE ACCOUNTANT SERVICES	1,975.00	4-05-55-500-598	B MISC	R	05/01/24	05/02/24		OGT-24-03	N		
		5,925.00										
		Vendor Total:	5,925.00									

B0214 BERKELEY TOWNSHIP

24-00308 04/23/24 Fuel Charges PD	1 Fuel Charges PD	1,155.34	4-01-42-380-102	B Berkeley Twp - Gas & Diesel Fuel	R	04/23/24	05/02/24			N		
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Vendor #	Name	PO #	PO Date	Description	Contract	PO Type	Amount	Charge Account	Acct Type	Description	Stat/Chk	Enc Date	First Rcvd Date	Chk/Void Date	Invoice	1099	Excl	
M1361	MONMOUTH COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY																	
		24-00286	04/12/24	Defensive Tactics			200.00	4-01-25-240-204	B	Employee Training & Education	R	04/12/24	05/02/24					
				1 Defensive Tactics														
				Vendor Total:			200.00											
N1465	NJ ADVANCE MEDIA																	
		24-00302	04/23/24	Public Notice #10853578			30.10	4-01-20-120-201	B	Advertising	R	04/23/24	05/02/24		10853578			
				1 Public Notice #10853578														
				Vendor Total:			30.10											
N1466	NJ DEPT. HEALTH & SENIOR SRVC																	
		24-00307	04/23/24	3.24 Animal Reports			15.60	T-12-56-850-801	B	Reserve Animal Trust Expend.	R	04/23/24	05/02/24					
				1 3.24 Animal Reports														
				Vendor Total:			15.60											
O1541	OCEAN PIPE WORKS, LLC																	
		24-00305	04/23/24	Emergency Leaking Valve Repair			2,776.55	4-05-55-500-358	B	Water Distribution Repair	R	04/23/24	05/02/24		6365			
				1 Emergency Leaking Valve Repair														
				Vendor Total:			2,776.55											
PROFF005	Professional Accountants Inst.																	
		24-00284	04/12/24	Municipal Debt Management			100.00	4-01-20-100-204	B	Employee Training & Education	R	04/12/24	05/02/24					
				1 Municipal Debt Management														
				Vendor Total:			100.00											
ROTHS005	Rothstein, Mandel, Strohm, Halim																	
		24-00337	05/01/24	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			390.00	T-15-56-855-124	B	Dress- 711 Monmouth Ave	R	05/01/24	05/02/24		16799			
				1 ADS DRESS														
				2 GENERAL			3,480.00	4-01-20-155-290	B	Legal Services & Costs	R	05/01/24	05/02/24		16800			

Vendor # Name	PO # PO Date Description	Item Description	Amount	Contract PO Type	Charge Account	Acct Type Description	Stat/Chk	Enc Date	First Rcvd Date	Chk/Void Date	Invoice	1099	
V2206 VERIZON	24-00330 05/01/24	Basic Internet Charge	38.00	Continued	4-07-55-501-271	B Telephone	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N	
		3 Basic Internet Charge	113.99										
		Vendor Total:	113.99										
V2214 VERIZON WIRELESS	24-00332 05/01/24	Monthly Cell Phone Printer	182.66	4-01-31-437-341		B Telephone	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N	
		2 Monthly Cell Phone Printer	182.67	4-05-55-500-253		B Telephone	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N	
		3 Monthly Cell Phone Printer	182.66	4-07-55-501-271		B Telephone	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N	
		Vendor Total:	547.99										
W2350 W.B. Mason	24-00282 04/11/24	MOB Supplies	44.94	4-01-20-100-208		B Office Supplies	R	04/11/24	05/02/24			N	
		1 WAU2731RZ1 Cardstock Yellow	43.96	4-01-20-100-208		B Office Supplies	R	04/11/24	05/02/24			N	
		2 WAU2851IND Cardstock Orange	111.96	4-01-20-100-208		B Office Supplies	R	04/11/24	05/02/24			N	
		3 WBN21200 Paper	8.00	4-01-20-100-208		B Office Supplies	R	04/11/24	05/02/24			N	
		4 MWM65412SSCY Post-its Large	208.86										
		Vendor Total:	208.86										
K1134 well's Fargo Vendor Fin. Svcs.	24-00328 05/01/24	Copier Lease	163.94	4-01-20-100-211		B Equipment Rentals	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N	
		1 Copier Lease	163.94	4-01-20-120-210		B Printing	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N	
		2 Copier Lease	163.93	4-01-25-240-211		B Equipment Rentals	R	05/01/24	05/02/24			N	
		3 Copier Lease	491.81										
		Vendor Total:	491.81										
Total Purchase Orders: 31 Total P.O. Line Items: 67 Total List Amount: 355,739.41 Total Void Amount: 0.00													

Vendor #	Name	PO #	PO Date	Description	Amount	Charge Account	Contract	PO Type	Acct	Type	Description	Stat/Chk	Enc Date	First Rcvd	Chk/Void	Date	Invoice	1099	Excl
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Totals by Year-Fund									
Fund Description	Fund	Budget Rcvd	Budget Held	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total		
CURRENT FUND BUDGET	4-01	325,601.96	0.00	325,601.96	0.00	0.00	325,601.96		
WATER OPERATING BUDGET	4-05	8,074.22	0.00	8,074.22	0.00	0.00	8,074.22		
SEWER UTILITY BUDGET	4-07	3,600.23	0.00	3,600.23	0.00	0.00	3,600.23		
Year Total:		337,276.41	0.00	337,276.41	0.00	0.00	337,276.41		
GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	C-04	1,817.50	0.00	1,817.50	0.00	0.00	1,817.50		
WATER CAPITAL FUND	C-06	837.04	0.00	837.04	0.00	0.00	837.04		
Year Total:		2,654.54	0.00	2,654.54	0.00	0.00	2,654.54		
GRANT FUND BUDGET	G-02	14,661.37	0.00	14,661.37	0.00	0.00	14,661.37		
ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST BUDGET	T-12	15.60	0.00	15.60	0.00	0.00	15.60		
SPECIAL TRUST	T-15	1,131.49	0.00	1,131.49	0.00	0.00	1,131.49		
Year Total:		1,147.09	0.00	1,147.09	0.00	0.00	1,147.09		
Total of All Funds:		355,739.41	0.00	355,739.41	0.00	0.00	355,739.41		

Borough of Ocean Gate
 Bill List
 Processed Payments

Total Of All Funds					\$355,739.41
NJMVC (Titles for New Trucks)					\$120.00
4/11 Payroll					\$81,106.94
Total Bill List					<u>\$436,966.35</u>