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**EMERGENCY MEETING
MAYOR & BOROUGH COUNCIL
BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE
AUGUST 28, 2011**

PRESENT: Mr. Drasheff, Mr. Fay, Mr. Kennett, Mr. Quinn, Mrs. Reilly, Mayor Naughton

ABSENT: Mrs. Venables

ALSO PRESENT: Jane L. Gillespie, Borough Clerk
W. Bryan Dempsey, Borough Administrator
James Mullen, Emergency Management Coordinator
Frank Phillips, Public Works Superintendent
Harold McCormick, DPW Foreman
Donald Brahn, Sr., DPW Foreman

Following a brief meeting of the Emergency Management Personnel, the Mayor and Council convened their Emergency Meeting at 4:30 P.M. to discuss various issues following Hurricane Irene.

Frank Phillips advised that the two pumps could now be put down in the area of Wreck Pond. He has checked the area and he felt that we are no longer in danger of having them wiped out from the next high tide as the wind has changed pushing the ocean back. He advised that if they start now, the pumps would be working in approximately three hours.

Discussion on the flooding of the pavilions. The south end boardwalk has been destroyed in the area of the South End Pavilion. If time permits, we will get the North End Pavilion up and running for the weekend. The strainers will have to be checked to see if they are intact out in the ocean.

Mr. Dempsey advised that we need to prioritize what in what order we want Public Works to address the issues. It was decided that the pumps at Wreck Pond was number 1, then if possible to cut through the berm, garbage collection and then work to clean up the beach so that a stretch can be opened safely. If possible to have the North End Pavilion open for the holiday weekend.

Mr. Phillips advised that they are not going to be able to repair any boardwalk at this time. JCP&L will have to come and cut the power to all of the lights on the boardwalk so that the men can work safely.

Discussion on making sure the dangerous areas are secure.

Mr. Quinn offered a recommendation that we just try and make a reasonable stretch of beach available and if possible have the North End Pavilion open. He felt that it was more important to get the beach open and then the pavilion.

Mrs. Reilly expressed her concern on securing the off-limit areas.

Mr. Mullen stated that the wind has changed to the west so the pumps should be the first priority from an emergency management standpoint.

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Discussion on the four pumps that the Fire Departments have. They have advised that they do not have the manpower to operate them as many of their members will be returning to work tomorrow. The Mayor and Council felt it is important to assist the residents in pumping the water out of their basements the best we can. Mr. Phillips advised that he would obtain manpower to operate the pumps.

It was decided that another Code Red message would be sent advising that the water was still rising and that the pumps are going in.

Mr. Quinn noted that Mr. Phillips should know that whatever decisions he needs to and that he has the Mayor and Council's confidence.

The emergency meeting was adjourned at 5PM.

Respectfully submitted,



JANE L. GILLESPIE
Borough Clerk

Approved at a meeting held on: October 25, 2011