

impact it might have on some of their income. Mr. Oglesby further stated the employees that did meet with the committee, although not happy with the increase, were thankful for the opportunity for the explanation.

Councilwoman Dugan reported Public Works have flushed the fire hydrants the beginning of October, a sewer line was replaced at Borough Hall, a radiator was installed on the trash truck, all Public Work trucks will be winterized shortly, salt supply is being evaluated, and restrooms at Lake Horicon will be closed after Veteran's Day.

Councilman McCarthy reported Public Safety Committee had a meeting with all Department Heads last week adding everyone is doing well. Mr. McCarthy also reported repairs are needed for fire trucks 6223 and 6201 adding the one is at the service dealer now and when completed, the other truck will then be serviced. Mr. McCarthy further reported there is a need to move forward to 700 MHZ, the county band pagers and added the plan is to start the purchasing at the end of the year.

Mr. Oglesby reported the Land Use Board meeting scheduled for this Monday, October 24th, has been rescheduled for next Thursday, October 27th.

MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Robbins reminded councilmembers to email their candidate for Citizen of the Year adding there is only one meeting left before the announcement.

Mayor Robbins also reminded everyone that Trick-or-Treat is October 31st.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:39 p.m.

Alan Trzuskoski, founder of Cannabiz Incubator, stated his company helps cannabis businesses obtain licenses, real estate contracts, municipal support, and ultimately grow their business. Mr. Trzuskoski also stated he has worked with two of the borough's cannabis applicants that were not chosen by the Cannabis Committee to obtain a Class 5 Cannabis Retail License adding he is here on their behalf to talk about what he is seeing in the marketplace and potentially "curve out" an additional retail license for his clients.

Mayor Robbins explained an ordinance to allow two Class 5 Cannabis Retail Licenses in the B-2 Business Zone has had it's First Reading and if approved by Land Use Board, the ordinance will have it's Second Reading and Open for Public Comment at the November 3rd council meeting.

Mr. Trzuskoski responded the borough has made the right move to consider allowing a second Class 5 Cannabis Retail License in the B-2 Business Zone. Mr. Trzuskoski stated that his client has their conditional license from the state, they are local to Ocean County, they are an independent company, and know the cannabis industry. Mr. Trzuskoski went

on to say, if the governing body does allow a second retail cannabis establishment in the B-2 Zone, to please consider his clients adding they would be beneficial to the borough.

Councilman McCarthy asked how social equity is applicable to a cannabis retail establishment.

Mr. Trzuskoski responded his clients have partnered with the war on drugs.

Charles Benson, President and Founder of Jersey Shore Extracts, also responded social equity means that Lakehurst has been effected by the war on drugs and added that there will be grants for social equity businesses in the future. Mr. Benson stated his conditional license is on a time limit adding the license has 90 days to be converted by receiving municipal approval.

Mayor Robbins answered that it will more than 90 days before the borough issues another Class 5 Cannabis Retail License

Candice Johnson, President and Founder of Jersey Extracts, questioned the \$5000 that is to be refunded to applicants that were not chosen.

Municipal Clerk Capasso responded the \$5000 refund are being mailed next week.

Council President Oglesby answered the Cannabis Committee has informally decided if an applicant that was not been approved for retail license and then decides to reapply, they will only have to submit \$5000.

Ms. Johnson questioned the location of the second Class 5 Cannabis Retail License.

Mayor Robbins answered it will be the west side of Route 70, Lake Street being the dividing line.

Ms. Johnson asked if there is commercial property available.

Mayor Robbins responded there are commercial buildings along Route 70 adding the applicant would be responsible to reach out to the owner of the property.

Time Closed: 7:53p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Bernadette Dugan

To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 7:53 p.m.

Maryanne Capasso, RMC
Municipal Clerk