

SEASIDE PARK BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Work Session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Seaside Park was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on June 12, 2014 in the Borough Council Meeting Room located at Sixth & Central Avenues, Seaside Park.

"In accordance with the requirements of New Jersey's Open Public Meetings Act, public notice of this meeting was included in the required Annual Meeting Notice which was filed in the Office of the Seaside Park Borough Clerk; posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Municipal Building; and forwarded to the Asbury Park Press, the Ocean Star, and to all persons requesting notice and providing self-addressed, postage-paid envelopes."

Roll Call

Present:

Robert Matthies, Mayor
 Michael Tierney, Council President
 Nancy Koury
 Jean Contessa
 David Nicola
 Faith Liguori

Absent:

Gail Coleman (illness)

Also Attending:

Steven Zabarsky, Borough Attorney
 Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
 Robert Martucci, Borough Administrator
 Police Chief Larkin

Mr. Tierney explained the request to amend the salary ordinance to create a new title as an assistant to our part-time Chief Financial Officer.

Mr. Tierney explained the Finance Committee reviewed the engineering report to repair the administration building through an historical grant as the building was previously registered as an historic sight. Mayor Matthies reminded council members his prior memo requesting council to decide on a proper designation of the police station building other than the original 'borough hall'.

Mr. Tierney commented on the Finance Committee's review of the requested change order with the Phase II project to allow for payment to be made to NJDOT for the modification of the utility agreement for the project on Eighth and also on Island Avenue. He also reviewed the request for a change order for the 14th Avenue Pier project with regards to the FEMA's directive to waterproofing the pier lumber.

Ms. Koury requested council members to review the borough code Chapter 62 as to who the appropriate authority is in relation to our police department. The code notes the Public Safety Committee which no longer exists. Council members agreed to clarify it to be mayor and council pending further council committee review.

Mayor Matthies requested council to review the Planning Board's suggestion to consider rezoning of the boardwalk area especially as it pertains to the height limits for amusement rides. He further requested that the Operations Committee take the lead for consideration.

Mr. Zabarsky updated the governing body with regard's to a proposed easement document with the boardwalk owners.

Council reviewed the memo from CFO Poulos regarding the sale of "BAN" Notes as this is a good finance tool as a short term debt and helps pay down at least ten percent of our debt annually.

Mr. Nicola attended last night's Environmental Committee meeting. The committee welcomed a new member. Chief Larkin reviewed the renewal of the annual liquor licenses for the town. His department investigated and found no outstanding violations for last term. Council agreed with his recommendation to renew for the 2014-15 license term.

Mr. Martucci updated council members with the net phase to install wifi along the entire ocean front. He hopes to connect with the next update to the water/sewer meter reading program. In the meantime, he continues to look for a sponsor to host the wifi.

Mr. Martucci congratulated all who helped and participated in the Memorial weekend events. He felt it was a great success made possible through the state's "Going Stronger" grant.

Ms. Koury gave the latest information and schedule for the July 7th volunteer service day.

Ms. Koury gave an updated report that the Planning Board is currently reviewing the Boardwalk zoning district amending the restrictions. Council agreed to have correspondence sent to the boardwalk owners seeking their opinion on the future of the site.

Mr. Martucci explained the one unit in the bathhouse that housed the ice cream vendor will be hosted by the CocaCola Company to supply vending machines for the public.

Mr. Martucci commented the borough engineer applied for a grant through the NJDCA to be applied to the Zoning/Code Department due to the extraordinary work load due to Super storm Sandy.

Council Members agreed to extend the pre-season badge selling season to mirror 2013 selling season.

The Council reviewed the following requests for resolutions:

- Authorizing a raffle license application.
- Appointing seasonal employees to various summer departments.
- Extending the pre-season selling season for 2014 beach badges.

The Council reviewed and approved the following "Use of Boro Facilities" requests.

- Annual block parties for St. Catharine and for Thirteenth Avenue and H Street.
- Various beach parties.
- Annual walkathon from the Ocean of Love.
- Summer youth basketball league.

Public Comments

Pat DeGutis, 72 Stockton Avenue, inquired whether the proposed easement document will continue with the current one. Mr. Martucci explained it will continue in the same area as a public thoroughfare.

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
Approved: July 10, 2014