

SEASIDE PARK BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Seaside Park was called to order at 7:35 p.m. on Thursday, August 14, 2014 in the Borough Council Meeting Room located at Sixth & Central Avenues, Seaside Park. Mayor Robert W. Matthies presiding.

Borough Clerk Barna read the following statement for inclusion in the meeting minutes:

"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."

Mayor Matthies asked all to stand for a moment of silence and led the Pledge of Allegiance remembering those who serve in the Armed Forces to protect our country. He noted the passing of longtime Seaside Heights Mayor Ken Hershey. Mayor Matthies made note that we continue to govern under Executive Order No. 104 which grants emergency power by the Governor to the State Office of Emergency Management.

Roll Call

Present:

- Robert Matthies, Mayor
- Nancy Koury
- Jean Contessa
- David Nicola
- Gail Coleman
- Faith Liguori

Absent:

- Michael Tierney, Council President
- Also Attending:
- Steven Zabarsky, Borough Attorney
 - Robert Martucci, Borough Administrator
 - Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
 - Police Chief Larkin

On a motion by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Ms. Contessa, the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting: July 10, 2014; and Regular Meeting: July 24, 2014; were approved, by the following vote:

For: Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Ms. Liguori.

Abstain: Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman.

Absent: Mr. Tierney.

MOTION CARRIED.

Scheduled Public Hearings:

Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1654 entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 1654 AMENDING CHAPTER 435-19 ENTITLED "VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC" OF THE BOROUGH CODE; SCHEDULE IV ENTITLED "PARKING TIME LIMITED ON CERTAIN STREETS".

No public comments or questions were offered.

Motion for approval made by Ms. Koury, seconded by Ms. Liguori.

For: Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.

Absent: Mr. Tierney.

MOTION CARRIED.

Proposed Ordinance Introduction:

- a. ORDINANCE NO. 1655 AMENDING CHAPTER 62 ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH CODE"; SECTION 62-2 "APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY" .
- b. ORDINANCE NO. 1656 AMENDING CHAPTER 200 ENTITLED "DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS"; as it pertains to fences & walls.

Motion for approval made by Ms. Koury seconded by Mr. Nicola.

For: Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.

Absent: Mr. Tierney.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2014-221: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVING PAYMENT OF THE ITEMIZED CLAIMS AS SET FORTH ON THE CHECK REGISTER/BILL LIST FOR THE PERIOD JULY 25, 2014 TO AUGUST 14, 2014.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney seconded by Mr. Nicola.

For: Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.

Absent: Mr. Tierney.

MOTION CARRIED.

The Council presented the consent agenda.

Resolution No. 2014-222: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-213 TO PROVIDE A TEN DAY GRACE PERIOD FOR THE PAMENT OF TAXES.

Resolution No. 2014-223: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL ADOPTING A CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOROUGH AUDITOR INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF AUDIT FOR THE YEAR 2013.

Resolution No. 2014-224: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE & APPROPRIATIONS UNDER THE CAPTION OCEAN COUNT RECYCLING PROGRAM.

Resolution No. 2014-225: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE & APPROPRIATIONS UNDER THE CAPTION OCEAN COUNT RECYCLING PROGRAM.

Resolution No. 2014-226: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE 2014 ESSENTIAL SERVICE GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT.

Resolution No. 2014-227: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PRELIMINARY EXPENSES FOR "N: STREET ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

Resolution No. 2014-228: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL ACCEPTING COMMUNITY DONATION FROM THE SEASIDE PARK BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE.

Resolution No. 2014-229: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING PERMANENT EMPLOYEE AS EQUIPMENT OPERATOR FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (CIVIL SERVICE).

Resolution No. 2014-230: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING SEASONAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE BEACH PATROL FOR THE 2014 SEASON.

Resolution No. 2014-231: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING SEASONAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE BEACH CONTROL FOR THE 2014 SEASON.

Resolution No. 2014-232: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING SEASONAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE 2014/2015 SEASON.

Resolution No. 2014-233: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL SUPPORTING AN INCREASE IN ALLOCATION OF DEDICATED FUNDS FOR THE SHORE PROTECTION FUND.

No public comments or questions were offered.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Nicola seconded by Ms. Contessa.

For: Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.

Absent: Mr. Tierney.
MOTION CARRIED.

The following Council committee reports and announcements were given.

Chief Larkin reported the police department is currently operating and dealing with summertime issues such as quality of life, beach traffic, and the reduction of road construction.

Ms. Koury reported for the Operations Committee met with Berkeley administration regarding patrolling of South Seaside Park. Talks on this issue will continue through the police departments. She also followed up with the building department permitting issue since Superstorm Sandy and whether any permit fees will be returned to the borough through the shared agreement. Her committee is also reviewing the ordinance regarding O Street bayside park and how it should be maintained and regulated due to erosion occurring. Ms. Koury also reported the Sand Dollar Garden Club has declined planting at the reconstructed 14th Avenue pier grounds. The Environmental Committee has offered to help with plantings. She attended a meeting with the zoning/code office who is currently addressing properties deemed for demolition, vacant, abandoned and have property maintenance issues. The art and craft show is scheduled for Saturday of Labor Day weekend, but the antique show will not be held this year.

Ms. Coleman reported for the Finance Committee badge sales were up compared with 2013. However, metered parking revenue is down this year. Ms. Coleman is looking forward to an agreement with Berkeley Township in regard to Seaside Park Police backup in South Seaside Park. Chief Larkin explained his officers are doing a good job with meter enforcement. They are now trained in trouble

shooting any problems that occur with the meters and/or kiosks 24/7 and have not incurred employee overtime.

Ms. Contessa reported the annual town wide garage sale will be held this coming Saturday.

Mr. Nicola gave the police operation report for May 2014 compared to 2013. He also attended a meeting in Seaside Heights regarding changes in our local post offices.

Ms. Liguori reported upcoming NJDOT local meetings to be held regarding the pending construction of the Eighth Avenue pump station along with the re-start of the road reconstruction. She would like to the project delayed until Labor Day as it will inconvenience many summer families ending their summer vacation. She requested a letter be sent to the governor's office requesting a delay.

Mayor Matthies reported on a research program "Save Barnegat Bay" that he attended recently.

Mayor Matthies and Ms. Coleman shared remembrances of Mayor Hershey with the audience.

Public Comments

Maria Sessa, JCP&L representative, wanted everyone to know she continues to stay in touch with borough officials in Seaside Park to make sure everything is running smoothly.

Arthur Schilling, H Street, inquired whether NJDOT will remove the shrubbery in the medians. Ms. Coleman explained it is part of their plan but hopes that indigenous plants will be replanted in their place.

Al Vassallo, Central Avenue, inquired when the town's meeting with NJDOT will be held. Ms. Koury noted prior to our next council meeting on August 28th at 5 pm.

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
Approved: August 28, 2014