

SEASIDE PARK BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Seaside Park was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 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 former residents Patty Engleson and Vance Moore. 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
- Michael Tierney, Council President
- Nancy Koury
- Jean Contessa
- David Nicola
- Gail Coleman
- Faith Liguori

Absent:

None

Also Attending:

- John Mercun, Borough Attorney
- Robert Martucci, Borough Administrator
- Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
- Police Chief Larkin

On a motion by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Ms. Coleman, the minutes of the Regular Meeting: September 25, 2014; were approved, by the following vote:

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

Abstain: Ms. Liguori.

MOTION CARRIED.

Proposed Ordinance Introduction:

- A. ORDINANCE NO. 1658 AMENDING CHAPTER 405 "STREETS & SIDEWALKS" AND CHAPTER 200 "DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS" AS IT PERTAINS TO PERMITTED USE OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Ms. Koury.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

- B. ORDINANCE NO. 1659 AMENDING CHAPTER 200 ENTITLED "DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS" SECTION 200-46 "NON-CONFORMING USES, STRUCTURES AND LOTS" TO ESTABLISH AN APPLICATION PROCESS.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED.

- C. ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 76 "VEHICLE & TRAFFIC" AS IT PERTAINS TO HANDICAP PARKING SPACE.

Motion made by Mr. Tierney failed due to lack of a second.

- D. ORDINANCE NO. 1660 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1635 "PERMITS REQUIRED FOR USE OF BEACH; RATES"

Motion for approval made by Ms. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Tierney..

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

MOTION CARRIED.

- E. ORDINANCE NO. 1661 REPEALING CHAPTER 53 ENTITLED "PARKING SERVICES AGENCY".

Motion for approval made by Ms. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Tierney.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2014-261: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVING PAYMENT OF THE ITEMIZED CLAIMS AS SET FORTH ON THE CHECK REGISTER/BILL LIST FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 26, 2014 TO OCTOBER 9, 2014.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The Council presented the consent agenda.

Resolution No. 2014-262: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE OCEAN COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND.

Resolution No. 2014-263: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH OCEAN COUNTY FOR THE DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM FY 2015.

Resolution No. 2014-264: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK AND THE COUNTY OF OCEAN PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE FOR A DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT CALL OUT PROGRAM.

Resolution No. 2014-265: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AWARDED A CONTRACT TO REMINTON VERNICK & VENA FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT & INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE CDBG-RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS ADA COMPLIANT CURB RAMPS PROJECT.

Resolution No. 2014-266: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL A3083 AND SENATE BILL S2178, PROHIBITING THE PRODUCTION, MANUFACTURE, AND SALE OF ALL PERSONAL COSMETIC PRODUCTS CONTAINING MICROBEADS.

Public Comments

No public comments or questions were offered.

Ms. Liguori would like to see the handicap ramps with reflectors instead of embedded material.

Ms. Coleman was glad the Environmental Committee is actively pursuing issues in support of the State.

Motion for approval of the consent agenda was made by Ms. Coleman seconded by Mr. Nicola.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The following Council committee reports and announcements were given.

Chief Larkin gave a brief summary on OEM and public safety. The Neighborhood Watch meeting will be postponed to November. He reported the Central Avenue/Route 35 construction will have traffic re-routed to the east side.

Mr. Tierney reported the Finance Committee reviewed our 2014 tax rate pie chart. It will be on the website. We filed 22 FEMA reports. His committee will continue their review of the 2015 parking strategy for meter consolidation. Pending is the review of the 1947 boardwalk easement agreement. And the status of the beach replenishment with the Army Corp of Engineers.

Ms. Koury reported for the Operations Committee that Board Engineer met with their committee to update on various projects such as handicap ramps, 14th Avenue pier lighting; pump stations and Rt. 35 project.

Mr. Nicola reported he plans to schedule a meeting with Brick MUA to review the pump stations. DPW, police and fire departments are putting together items to go up for auction. This coming Saturday a movie will be shown at the Sawmill about two years after Sandy. The Columbus Day parade will be held on Sunday. He hopes to put together another flu clinic in conjunction with the Ocean County Health Department. A meeting will be held with public safety to review issues regarding Route 35.

Ms. Coleman voiced concern with buses picking up our school children with the condition of the Rt. 35 roadway. Chief Larkin will speak with the school districts to make sure all safety concerns are addressed.

Ms. Liguori thanked the Operations Committee and the Planning Board in their work to streamline the pending ordinance for property owners in need of flood elevation improvements. She also voiced concern with the construction of the Eighth Avenue pump station and the inability to drive on their streets and park at their homes until construction is complete. Chief Larkin will reach out to any resident in need of assistance.

Mayor Matthies reported he previewed the Sandy documentary "Heart of the Shore" and felt it is insightful and worth seeing and that Faith Liguori had a featured role in it. He reminded council Clean Ocean Action will be cleaning our beaches on Saturday, October 25th. Everyone is invited to pitch in. He attended the latest Environmental Committee presentation on light pollution. Mayor Matthies also announced the pending rehabilitation of the Mathis Bridge.

Also he and Councilwoman Coleman, attended the dedication of a carousel at the entrance to Seaside Heights.

Public Comments

Ed Gallagher, 144 K Street, felt seasonal employment should be announced and offered to town residents first. Mr. Martucci explained as a Civil Service town seasonal positions are not recognized. Mr. Gallagher requested a legal opinion be given.

Pat DeGutis, Stockton Avenue, inquired why parking revenue was down this year even though beach badge revenue was up. Mr. Tierney commented seasonal badge sales was higher than daily badge sales thus explaining parking decrease including the boro's use of one lot for borough activities. This season was close to 2012. He felt we had a great season. Mr. Martucci commented this year was very different due to the loss of Funtown Pier. It was difficult to hold guests here after beach hours. Ms. DeGutis also inquired of the maintenance of the pump stations.

Al Vasallo, 609 Central Avenue, drove up the coast to view the road reconstruction and discovered that Bay Head right of way improvements does not have the "p" gravel that DOT installed along our roadway. There were a few different options including plantings. Mayor Matthies continues to be in communication with the mayor of Bay Head and will inquire at the next scheduled meeting with the NJDOT project manager.

Shirley Kreszl, 709 North Bayview Avenue, inquired whether the Central Avenue boulders that were removed can be utilized to fill in some gaps along the bay shore. Mr. Martucci commented we just received a 1.8 million dollar grant for bay shore hazard mitigation. Ms. Coleman observed current flooding conditions in Ms. Kreszl's neighborhood without any rain. Ms. Kreszl also reminded council she continues to oppose families living in a motel room over 30 days with only a microwave oven that it is not good conditions for children. Mayor Matthies noted this is the fifth September with no school children in the building. Ms. Kreszl felt a decision must be reached as to the future of our school building.

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
Approved: October 23, 2014