

SEASIDE PARK BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Seaside Park was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2015 in the Borough Council Meeting Room located at Sixth & Central Avenues, Seaside Park. Mayor 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 Star Ledger 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. Mayor Matthies remembered longtime resident, Joan MacIntosh, and Borough Special Labor Counsel John Mercun.

Roll Call	Absent:
Present:	None.
Robert Matthies, Mayor	
Michael Tierney, Council President	Also Attending:
Nancy Koury	Steven Zabarsky, Borough Attorney
Jean Contessa	Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
David Nicola	Robert Martucci, Borough Administrator
Gail Coleman	
Faith Liguori	

On a motion by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Ms. Koury, the minutes of the Work Session: March 12, 2015; was approved, by the following vote:
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.
MOTION CARRIED.

Scheduled Public Hearings:

- a. Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1668 entitled:
ORDINANCE NO. 1668 AMENDING CHAPTER 293 ENTITLED "MARINA UTILITY" OF THE BOROUGH CODE.

No public comments were offered.
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.
MOTION CARRIED.

- b. Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1669 entitled:
ORDINANCE NO. 1669 AMEMDING CHAPTER 435 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC".

No public comments were offered.
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.
MOTION CARRIED.

- c. Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1670 entitled:
ORDINANCE NO. 1667 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1635 AS ESTABLISHED BY CHAPTER 135 "BEACHES" SECTION 135-7 'PERMITS REQUIRED FOR USE OF BEACH; RATES' ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION.

No public comments were offered.
Council comments:
Mr. Tierney noted beach badge rates have remained the same price for the last two years.
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.
MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-92: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVING PAYMENT OF THE ITEMIZED CLAIMS AS SET FORTH ON THE CHECK REGISTER/BILL LIST FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 13, 2015 TO MARCH 26, 2015.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney seconded by Ms. Coleman.
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Mr. Nicola, Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.
MOTION CARRIED.

The Council presented the consent agenda.
Resolution No. 2015-93: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS PENDING ADOPTION OF THE 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

Resolution No. 2015-94: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING AN AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PRELIMINARY COSTS RELATED TO FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT.

Resolution No. 2015-95: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE OCEAN COUNTY JIF FUNDS 2015 SAFETY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.

Resolution No. 2015-96: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING CLASS I SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 2015.

Resolution No. 2015-97: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING CLASS II SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 2015.

Resolution No. 2015-98: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING SEASONAL EMPLOYEE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Resolution No. 2015-99: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVING DESIGNATED YEAR 2015 RAFFLE LICENSE APPLICATION.

Resolution No. 2015-100: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL REQUESTING MODIFICATIONS BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE ROUTE 35 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK.

No Public Comments were offered.

Council Comments:

Ms. Coleman thanked Mayor Matthies and Mr. Martucci for their intervention with NJDOT commissioner to make sure this resolution was moved forward in the right direction. The overflow parking spaces are necessary especially for our police and fire departments.

Motion for approval of the consent agenda was made by Mr. Nicola, seconded by Mr. Tierney.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The following Council committee reports and announcements were given.

Mr. Tierney reported for the Finance Committee that the Finance Department is conducting exit interviews with regards to the USDA loan that the borough secured for the Water/Sewer Phase I and Phase II project. Quarterly reports from the Ocean County Utilities Authority documents the borough's continuing usage reduction as we move forward through its final phase. Mr. Martucci hoped to present a final summary of the entire Phase I and II project. Mr. Tierney further commented a letter was received from the Monmouth County School Superintendent in reference to an inquiry sent to the Ocean County School Superintendent regarding the process to close down our local school district. Mayor Matthies noted he is not satisfied with the answer we received and will continue to pursue this.

Ms. Liguori read an update on the progress of the Route 35 road construction project. She is disappointed the project will not conclude until the end of June.

Ms. Coleman wondered when information on the emergency generators we are to receive as part of this project. Mr. Martucci understood this will happen at the conclusion of the project.

Ms. Koury reported for the Operations Committee that she attended a JIF safety seminar along with fellow council members, Mayor Matthies and Administrator Martucci. The borough is eligible to receive a \$250.00 credit for each one that attended. She also inquired of the completion of the pump stations and the landscaping of the surrounding area. Ms. Koury also reported she attended another meeting with Stevens Institute and that we hope to move forward with an agreement with them to receive their SURE resilient structure that will be placed in Seaside Park and to be used as an environmental teaching tool. Ms. Koury reported the last Planning Board meeting approved the final site plan for the Sawmill/Park Pavilion property.

Ms. Contessa reported the next Environmental Committee meeting will host an auxiliary member of the Coast Guard who will speak on boating safety.

Mayor Matthies reported on a recent news article on the ongoing issues with the Oyster Creek Nuclear Plant. He reminded everyone of the upcoming annual Clean Ocean Action Beach Sweeps in April. Mayor Matthies also attended our local VFW award ceremony honoring Faye Haring's granddaughter Christina.

Public Comments

Shirley Kreszl, 700 North Bayview Avenue, felt the borough's bathhouse building needs art work and suggested area high schools be contacted. She would also like to have a public budget session prior to the official introduction to give the public an opportunity to make suggestions. Mr. Martucci commented it is up the elected body to decide how to move the budget forward. Ms. Koury and Mr. Tierney concurred there is opportunity to ask questions and comment during the public presentation. Mr. Tierney noted the budget is scrubbed down pretty well and noted there has been no local tax increase for the past six years.

Al Vassallo, 609 Central Avenue, inquired of the cost for installing wifi in town. Mr. Tierney noted approximately \$130,000. Mr. Martucci commented we secured the largest band available.

Sue Masoorli, 81 Lafayette Avenue, reported there are no more 911 Memorial brick pavers available for purchase and that the program is now closed.

Pat Moglia, 145 O Street, presented a "Spring" decorative flag from the Seaside Park Democratic Club for it to be flown at the marina property.

Public comment session was closed.

Resolution No. 2015-101 was presented by Ms. Coleman, seconded by Ms. Contessa, to enter into Executive Session for pending litigation, by the following vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The Council reconvened into Open Session at 8:44 pm.

Resolution No. 2015-102: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING SPECIAL COUNSEL SCHNEIDER TO FILE APPLICATION WITH FEDERAL COURT TO ENFORCE THE GALLAGHER LAWSUIT SETTLEMENT.

No public comments or questions were offered.

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

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

Against: Mr. Tierney.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2014-103: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL RE-CONFIRMING THE DENIAL OF NJDEP PERMIT TO RALPH, J. TO EXTEND A DOCK OVER BORO PROPERTY LOCATED ON BARNEGAT BAY.

No public comments or questions were offered.

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

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

Against: Ms. Liguori.

MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
Approved: April 9, 2015