

**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, September 24, 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 offered remembrance to Vincent Cucinotta, Myra Woznick, and reminded everyone of Governor Christie invoking Executive Order No. 184 to provide necessary measures in providing protection to the upcoming visit of Pope Francis to New York City and Philadelphia.

Roll Call  
Present:  
Robert Matthies, Mayor  
Michael Tierney, Council President  
Nancy Koury  
Jean Contessa  
Gail Coleman  
Fritz McHugh

Absent:  
Faith Liguori  
  
Also Attending:  
Steven Zabarsky, Borough Attorney  
Karen Barna, Borough Clerk  
Robert Martucci, Borough Administrator

**Scheduled Public Hearings:**

- a. Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1686 entitled:  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 200, SECTION 42 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED "FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION"  
Ms. Koury commented this pending ordinance was reviewed by the Planning Board as required. Recommendation was made to hold the ordinance as NJDEP has issued an updated model ordinance with the latest requirements. Mayor Matthies stated the amendments will be presented at the next October 8<sup>th</sup> work session for council's review and comments. Motion to TABLE pending Ordinance No. 16856 was made by Ms. Coleman, seconded by Ms. Koury.  
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman, Dr. McHugh.  
Absent: Ms. Liguorii.  
MOTION CARRIED.
- b. Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1687 entitled:  
ORDINANCE NO. 1687 OF THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY FIXING AND DETERMINING SALARIES TO BE PAID DESIGNATED EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
No public comments were offered.  
Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Ms. Coleman.  
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman, Dr. McHugh.  
Absent: Ms. Liguorii.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-228: 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 4, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER 24, 2015.  
Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Ms. Koury.  
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman, Dr. McHugh.  
Absent: Ms. Liguorii.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Request for resolution authorizing the adjustment of a Department of Public Works employee was withdrawn pending a review to ensure the new adjustment and correct titles falls within our salary ordinance.

The Council presented the consent agenda.  
Resolution No. 2015-229: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AWARDING A CONTRACT TO MAXIMUM WELDING FOR CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF A COURT ROOM FIRE EXIT STAIRWELL.

Resolution No. 2015-230: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AWARDING A CONTRACT TO JAMALI DEVELOPERS, LLC FOR BOARDWALK RECONSTRUCTION 5<sup>TH</sup> TO 7<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE.

Resolution No. 2015-231: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AWARDING A CONTRACT TO ALL SURFACE ASPHALT PAVING FOR THE TENNIS AND BASKETBALL COURT RECONSTRUCTION.

Resolution No. 2015-232: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ADJUSTMENT OF A DESIGNATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITY ACCOUNT.

Resolution No. 2015-233: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ADJUSTMENT OF A DESIGNATED TAX ACCOUNTS.

Resolution No. 2015-234: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATED MISCELLANEOUS REFUND.

Resolution No. 2015-235: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING SEASONAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

***No Public Comments were offered.***

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Liguori.

MOTION CARRIED.

The following Council committee reports and announcements were given.

Mr. Tierney reported for the Finance Committee that this summer's beach revenue exceeded 1.7 million compared to the 1.4 million that was budgeted for this year. We sold more daily badges in 2015 than in previous years. Mr. Tierney noted that due to the Route 35 reconstruction the parking year-to-date is \$330,800 and the 2015 budget is \$236,000. The municipal court revenue is \$299,000 against the 2015 budget of \$400,000. The actual receipts lag the calendar by approximately 60 to 90 days. He felt this is due in part to the reduction in lanes and new signs to promote safety. We depend on these numbers to determine if any tax increase will be necessary. Our debt service is better than the previous six years. Mr. Tierney commented we saw this year the beach and recreational facilities was our biggest draw and we must continue to improve and provide outstanding recreational facilities to promote tourism.

Ms. Coleman noted she intends to work with Seaside Heights and Berkeley Township in order to provide Tri-Boro First Aid Squad with a new vehicle as part of our local shared agreements. She hopes to accomplish this as she did with our fire department.

Ms. Koury reported for the Operations Committee that Water Superintendent Joe Walker met with her committee and reported the Water Department is currently working to install remote meter sensors in order to read water meters remotely in the near future. The last phase will be to install the remote sensors on the east side of Central Avenue leading up to Ocean Avenue. The Operations Committee also met with Police Chief Larkin who provided the committee with his department's assessment of time limit parking along Central Avenue. It will then be presented to the governing body with final recommendation to be sent to NJDOT for further review. Ms. Koury also notified Public Works Supervisor Eric Wojciechowski to research the possibility of a street cleaning program within the borough.

Mayor Matthies thanked everyone who attended and supported our 911 services. He acknowledged our police and fire departments and gave special thanks to the Lakehurst Naval detachment who also participated. He felt it was a great community day. Mayor Matthies also noted and concurred with the finance committee on the fiscal success of our summer operations.

***Public Comments***

Pat DeGutis, Stockton Avenue, thanked Mayor Matthies for his efforts to have a crosswalk sign installed at Stockton and Central Avenue. Mayor Matthies commented he wrote to NJDOT Commissioner Fox for help to reinstall a crosswalk at that location and also at 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Avenues. Mayor Matthies noted that DOT agreed to install crosswalks at 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> but not Stockton as a study rendered it an unsafe crossing for pedestrians. Ms. DeGutis also agreed to the comments that this year's beach revenues reflect that tourists came to use our beaches even though there are no more boardwalk rides. Mayor Matthies felt that with smart development the boardwalk will become a positive addition to our beaches as well as tourism.

***Adjournment.***

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

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Karen Barna, Borough Clerk  
Approved: October 22, 2015

