
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 Thursday, October 8, 2015 in the Borough Council Meeting Room located at Sixth & Central Avenues, Seaside Park. Mayor Matthies recognized the passing of Seaside Park resident June DeVellis.

"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
Faith Liguori
Fritz McHugh

Absent:

Jean Contessa
Gail Coleman

Also Attending:

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

Mr. Tierney reported for the Finance Committee the 2015 "Best Practices" report will be sent to the DCA this week. It is a 50 question report the State has developed to gauge the effectiveness of local governments. The questions pertain to the use of shared services, policies and procedures, administrative issues, financial standards and accounting programs. Towns are graded by the number of "yes" votes they record. We answered 43 of the 50 questions as yes. Towns that answer 45 of 50 questions as "yes" qualify for one hundred percent of any aid payments the State may give the municipality and Seaside Park will qualify for one hundred percent payment.

Chief Larkin gave a presentation on adjusting time limit parking throughout the borough along the newly reconstructed Route 35/Central Avenue. Council reviewed the color coded chart and decided to have it available at borough hall for their continued review and comments. They hope to make it fair and equitable for everyone. Chief Larkin explained the council's decision will be sent to NJDOT for further review.

Mayor Matthies asked for public comment on the Chief's presentation.

Sue Masoorli, Lafayette Avenue, hoped no additional parking will be eliminated along Central and O Street.

Shirley Kreszl, North Bayview Avenue, inquired whether the proposed time limit parking will be seasonal or year round. Ms. Koury noted it will be part of the decisions and hope to make all of the parking consistent.

Sherry Villano, presented photos of her business which is located on the corner of Lafayette and Central Avenue. She noted the number of spaces her business lost with the new parking reconfiguration. She requested an equitable amount of spaces to accommodate her customers especially during the summer season.

Pat DeGutis, Stockton Avenue, felt there continues to be adequate parking on Central Avenue and would prefer to have seasonal restrictions with reasonable time limits.

Public comment session was closed.

Council discussed developing a street cleaning program based on a recommendation from Ms. Coleman. Ms. Koury wondered whether or not vehicles parked on the street can be moved to coincide with the garbage collection schedule due to the number of cars parked during the summer season. Mr. Martucci commented this has been discussed a number of times with our DPW supervisor and felt the summertime can be an issue due to the amount of cars parked on the street, but he will meet with Eric Wojciechowski again who is also in charge of our stormwater program and meet also with the Operations Committee to formulate a plan.

Council reviewed a written request to purchase a bench through our new memorial policy. Mr. Martucci will follow up with the family and report back to Operations Committee.

Ms. Barna remarked it is now time to post legal notice for 'request for annual proposals' for 2016. Council acknowledged a resolution for posting campaign signs for the upcoming election.

Chief Larkin reviewed a request from the property owners to remove a handicap parking space in front of their old address and grant permission to install it at their new address. This is due to a family member who suffers from a debilitating illness. Council was in favor of amending the handicap ordinance allowing for this change.

Mr. Tierney reported for the Finance Committee a request to temporarily suspend hours of enforcement for paid parking during the winter months throughout the borough. Their feeling is it will be a give back to our residents for all they endure during the summer months due to the amount of vehicles parked on our local streets. It will also allow for tourists who visit during the winter to park closer to the boardwalk. He felt this is a win for everyone in town and also allow our kiosks to be stored and out of the winter elements.

Proposed Ordinance Introduction.

- a) Chapter 435 “Vehicle & Traffic” amending Article XII ‘Restricted Parking for Handicapped Persons’.

Motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1688 was made by Dr. McHugh, seconded by Ms. Koury.

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

- b) Chapter 200 “Development Regulations” Section 42 amending ‘Flood Damage Prevention’.

Ms. Koury updated the council this is an updated version of pending ordinance 1686 issued by NJDEP. Mr. Zabarsky felt the changes are substantial to warrant a re-introduction of the new regulations. One of the changes is the definition of ‘substantial damage’ that will require future elevation. NJDEP and our floodplain manager recommends this change to further protect our community and our CRS rating. Secondly this amendment will maintain the two foot freeboard that is also important for protection from future storms.

Motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1690 was made by Dr. McHugh, seconded by Ms. Koury.

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

- c) Chapter 200 “Development Regulations” amending ‘Section 200-46-Residential Zone’ as it pertains to building height.

Council reviewed Planning Board recommendation to amend the residential zone requirements with regards to building height. Ms. Koury noted this will allow more flexibility in the design and location of chimneys in residential structures. She commented the Board felt this amendment to the ordinance will provide relief from the height limitations to the minimum extent necessary to meet building and fire code requirements.

Motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1690 was made by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Ms. Koury.

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Council reviewed the request for approval of the bill list.

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 25 2015, TO OCTOBER 8, 2015.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney seconded by Dr. McHugh.

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Council took formal action on the following requests for resolutions:

Resolution No. 2015-229: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF A SALARY RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR AN EMPLOYEE WHO MET THE CDL REQUIREMENTS IN DPW.

Council Comments:

Ms. Koury asked the resolution reflect the employee title to be classified as “laborer”.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney seconded by Dr. McHugh.

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-230: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE DATES AND SALE OF 2016 BEACH BADGES FOR PURCHASE BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC DURING THE 2015 HOLIDAY SEASON.

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-231: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING A CHANGE FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200.00 FOR THE PRE-SEASON SALE OF HOLIDAY BEACH BADGES.

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-232: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL CONSENTING TO THE PROPOSED WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT (WQM) PLAN AMENDMENT FOR OCEAN COUNTY.

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-233 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 2016.

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-234: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK AND THE COUNTY OF OCEAN PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE FOR A DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT CALLOUT PROGRAM.

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-235: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE NJDOT'S PROMULGATION OF A TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) ESTABLISHING BICYCLE LANES ALONG BOTH DIRECTIONS OF ROUTE NJ35.

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-236: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING PROPOSAL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR "WATER METER SYSTEM UPGRADES-ANTENNA".

MOTION FOR APPROVAL MADE BY MR. TIERNEY SECONDED BY MS. KOURY.

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-237: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING A DESIGNATED MISCELLANEOUS REFUND FOR MARINA SLIP RENTALS.

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

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori.

Abstain: Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-238: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING A CLEAN OCEAN ACTION OCTOBER BEACH SWEEPS-WAIVE PARKING.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Tierney seconded by Dr. McHugh.

For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Contessa, Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

No Public Comments were offered.

The Council reviewed and approved the following "Use of Boro Facilities" applications. Ms. Barna noted the Police Department and DPW have reviewed the requests.

- Request to reschedule previously approved use of borough facilities from Tanner's Run for a 5k walk/run along the boardwalk and Ocean Avenue on Sunday, October 4th from 6:30 am to 10:30 am to October 25th due to the weekend weather conditions.
- Request to reschedule previously approved use of borough facilities to hold truck show in municipal parking lots 2 & 3 on Saturday, from October 3rd from 8 am to 5 pm to October 10th due to the weekend weather conditions.
- Invitation to participate in the annual fall Clean Ocean Action Beach Sweeps and requesting suspension of metered parking on October 24th between 9 am and 1 pm.
- Request to use borough facilities from Seaside Park PTA to hold Halloween Parade from Police Station to boardwalk ending at the Fourth Avenue side of the elementary school on Sunday, October 25, 2015 from noon to 12:30 pm followed by "Trunk or Treat" until 2 pm.
- Request to use borough facilities from Shirley Kreszl to hold a flu clinic sponsored by Rite Aid on Wednesday, October 21st from 5 pm to 7 pm in council chambers.

No Public Comments were offered.

Council Comments

Ms. Liguori asked if the garbage cans along Ocean Avenue that were removed due to last weekend's northeaster be brought back out.

Mayor Matthies noted borough offices are scheduled to be closed for the Columbus Day holiday and that Monday garbage pickup will be picked up the next day.

Resolution No. 2015-239 was presented by Mr. Tierney, seconded by Dr. McHugh to enter into Executive Session for pending litigation, by the following vote:

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

Absent: Ms. Coleman, Ms. Liguori.

MOTION CARRIED.

The Council reconvened into Open Session at 9:30 pm.

Council approved the tax appeal settlements pending the final adjustments for Funtown Pier Associates; 1807 Boardwalk LLC; and Lehman Realty LLC by B&B Dept. Stores.

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

Karen Barna, Borough Clerk
Approved: November 23, 2015

