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**SEASIDE PARK BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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The Work Session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Seaside Park was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 10, 2015 in the Borough Council Meeting Room located at Sixth & Central Avenues, Seaside Park. Mayor Matthies acknowledged the passing of Seaside Park resident and life member of Tri-Boro First Aid Squad Jan Valente.

*"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  
Jean Contessa  
Gail Coleman  
Fritz McHugh

**Absent:**

None.

**Also Attending:**

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

Council members reviewed the re-purposing of the J Street Recreation Center. Mr. Tierney explained this would better suit the town to host our senior citizens. Ms. Contessa felt this should be a multi-purpose use to continue to include our younger population. Mr. Martucci noted this was the intent when the building was refurbished to accommodate school age children. Over the years the number has decreased to no interest while we continue to employ teachers to run the program. Ms. Coleman reminded council of the past history that the building housed the old boy scout troop. She recalled a handshake agreement with our local troop to allow their continuing use of the building. Chief Larkin noted his department reached out to the local Boy Scout council for any interest in the items that were left behind when the troop disbanded. He recalled they had no interest. Council requested Mr. Martucci to send correspondence to the Ocean County Boy Scout Council for confirmation.

Mr. Tierney reviewed the last BAN sale on December 7, 2015, for the purpose of refinancing a portion of our notes for various improvements in the borough.

Council took formal action on the following requests for resolutions:

Resolution No. 2015-263: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING BILL LIST FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 23, 2015 THRU DECEMBER 10, 2015.

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

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

Abstain: Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2015-264: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF YEAR 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS.

Resolution No. 2015-265: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL THE DESIGNATED TAX SALE CERTIFICATE.

Resolution No. 2015-266: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ADJUSTMENT OF DESIGNATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITY ACCOUNT FOR B-71-L-27.

Resolution No. 2015-267: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ADJUSTMENT OF DESIGNATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITY ACCOUNTS FOR B-14-L-4; B-63-L-32; B-82-L-4.

Resolution No. 2015-268: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ADJUSTMENT OF DESIGNATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITY ACCOUNT FOR B-11-L-10; B-46-L-1; B-46-L-3.

Resolution No. 2015-269: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE & APPROPRIATION UNDER THE CAPTION NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION CLEAN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM.

Resolution No. 2015-270: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE & APPROPRIATION UNDER THE CAPTION 2015 OCEAN COUNTY RECYCLING PROGRAM.

Resolution No. 2015-271: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AWARDING A CONTRACT TO REMINGTON, VERNICK & VENA TO PROVIDE FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE SEASIDE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT ROOF AND HOLDING CELL RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

Resolution No. 2015-272: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF BALANCES IN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCES.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The following Council committee reports and announcements were given.

Chief Larkin announced that a holiday party is being planned in place of the December Neighborhood Watch meeting and hopes everyone will be able to attend.

Mr. Tierney attended the recreation holiday party last week and thanked the D'Onofrio family for everything they supplied.

Ms. Koury reported the Planning Board continues review of a re-examination of our Master Plan. She anticipates revisions to the Boardwalk Zone with a public comment period. Ms. Koury also reported our local board of education intends to sign a 'send-receive' agreement with Lavallette school district. This will begin with the 2016 school year and the number of children attending will help Seaside Park with the school formula.

Mayor Matthies noted there will be opportunity for public input with the re-examination report. He also reported he attended a borough sponsored insurance flood risk outreach program for our residents. He felt it was very well attended and Seaside Park earns public outreach points towards our CRS insurance rating. Ms. Liguori agreed this is very important to help our residents with insurance rates. Mayor Matthies is in receipt of correspondence from Ocean County Tax Board to anticipate a re-evaluation in 2016.

Mayor Matthies thanked everyone who helped prepare for the annual tree lighting and to all who attended. He especially thanked Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus for setting off the holiday season.

Ms. Contessa announced that due to the Seaside Rotary Club disbanding, has graciously donated funds to Seaside Park for the purchase of two wheel chairs.

Dr. McHugh discussed the memo received from our Environmental Advisory Committee regarding a meeting held with representatives of 'Save Barnegat Bay' and the committee's concern with the pump stations.

Ms. Masoorli, Chairwoman, advised council members that the Environmental Advisory Committee plans to pursue this topic further and asked council to support their continuing efforts.

### ***Public Comments***

Pat DeGutis, Stockton Avenue, thanked everyone for the wonderful holiday party at the Park Pavilion. She commented that our local boy scout troop is no longer active and felt it is a mute point to pursue another troop using our rec center and that there is more of a need to use it as a club for our junior and senior residents alike.

Shirley Kreszl, North Bayview Avenue, requested the donated seasonal flag be flown at Delaney Plaza. Council members requested Mr. Martucci to take care of the request.

Al Vassallo, Central Avenue, inquired if funding has been allocated for the much discussed digital sign and if the council has made a decision on it. Mr. Tierney commented not yet.

Cheryl Raley, North Ocean Avenue, inquired whether the re-exam report will address the narrow strip of boardwalk at the north end of town. Mayor Matthies explained it is privately owned and we have reached out to Seaside Heights officials for their help in resolving this. He also thanked the D'Onofrio family for their work to actually connect that piece at their own expense.

Rich Benninger, O Street, inquired if there is an update on pumping out the sand from the end of O Street storm drain? Mr. Martucci explained it is being addressed.

Resolution No. 2015-273 was presented by Ms. Koury, seconded by Ms. Coleman, to enter into Executive Session for pending contracts, by the following vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The Council reconvened into Open Session at 9:40 pm.

***Adjournment.***

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

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Karen Barna, Borough Clerk  
Approved: January 28, 2016