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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 7:05 p.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2016 in the Borough Council Meeting Room located at Sixth & Central Avenues, Seaside Park. 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.

*"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."*

**Roll Call****Present:**

Robert Matthies, Mayor  
Michael Tierney, Council President  
Nancy Koury  
Jean Contessa  
Faith Liguori  
Fritz McHugh

**Absent:**

Gail Coleman. (Personal-family)

**Also Attending:**

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

Mayor Matthies introduced Special Counsel Vito Gagliardi who gave an update on the status of two continuing cases and the issue of equitable funding for the borough. Mr. Gagliardi also provided an update along with defending the many challenges that we face with regards to resolving the pending lawsuits by the Central Regional School District. He acknowledged that Berkeley continues to challenge our relationship with Toms River as our send/receive district but now the Lavallette School District is now included as a dual enrollment for send/receiving districts which has resulted in lowering of our school taxes this year and is estimated to be between \$800,000 and \$1,000,000 every year thereafter. He recalled over the past ten years he has represented Seaside Park in the fight for inequitable tax burdens as we continue to be one of the highest in the State.

Mayor Matthies opened the floor to questions or comments by the public and then concluded the public session by thanking Mr. Gagliardi for his continued efforts.

Mr. Tierney reported for the Finance Committee the 2016 "Best Practices Inventory" report will be sent to the DCA this week. The inventory encourages municipalities to embrace practices that promote financial accountability, sound management and transparency. This year the inventory contains 30 questions, reduced from 50 questions. Municipalities must receive positive credit on a minimum of 22 questions in order to avoid withholding of aid. The questions pertain to the use of shared services, policies and procedures, administrative issues, financial standards and accounting programs.

Ms. Barna reminded council that it is time for the 2017 'request for proposals'. Ms. Liguori felt that 'request for qualifications' is more appropriate. Mr. Zabarsky explained you must have particular qualifications in order to submit a proposal. Ms. Liguori would like to use more than one professional for each title.

Council acknowledged a resolution for posting campaign signs for the upcoming election.

Chief Larkin reviewed a request to establish a drop off zone on Central Avenue in front of the Union Church and St. Catharine's to have a drop off zone as crossing Central Avenue can be a safety issue. The time limit parking will be during church hours. Mr. Tierney requested the wording to include: "No Parking-Drop Off Zone" with the following times. Ms. Liguori inquired why there is no longer three handicap parking spaces on E Street in front of the church as she recalls there used to be three. She commented that Father John has requested a third handicap parking space be reinstalled. Chief Larkin said his department will look into it.

Council reviewed a request from Marina Manager Kleva to amend the marina ordinance to include a fee for temporary dockage of small boats. Council agreed this will be beneficial to the marina.

Council reviewed a request from the Beautification Committee to remove the daylilies from the marina lawn as there is an abundance of weeds and difficult to manage by DPW and volunteers. Ms. Liguori would like to have the 'dug up' lilies available for residents to take. Mr. Martucci will make sure DPW has the lilies put aside for the public.

The following Council committee reports and announcements were given.

Mr. Tierney reported for the Finance Committee that most employees are now on direct deposit. The process to begin the 2017 budget review has begun. As liaison to the Environmental Committee,

discussion to reduce member's term will be brought to the November work session. Ms. Liguori would like to again have meet with department heads to review each department budget request. Ms. Koury felt the process first belongs before the Administrator and CFO.

Ms. Koury reported the Operations Committee met with R&V engineers to go over current projects including Phase I permitting phase for Bayfront flooding grant; the decommissioning of Well7; the new Well 10 treatment plant; and final plans for the renovations of the boro hall building. Ms. Koury attended a meeting with NJ Gas Company who explained plans for a pipeline under the Barnegat Bay to a location in Seaside Park.

Mayor Matthies reported the Planning Board has secured grants for the completion of the remainder of the Master Plan Reexamination Report. The grants will defray the cost of drafting the ordinances in order to comply with the Chapter 200 Development Regulations. Mayor Matthies noted the 'Best Practice' report provides an annual record trail.

The Council reviewed and approved the following "Use of Boro Facilities" requests.

- Invitation to participate in the fall annual Clean Ocean Action Beach Sweeps on Saturday, October 22nd on the Second Avenue ocean beach beginning at 9 am.
- Request from the Seaside Park PTA to hold their annual Halloween Parade from the Sixth Avenue Police Station to the boardwalk ending at Fourth Avenue side of the elementary school on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from noon to 1:15 pm followed by "Trunk or Treat" until 2:30 pm.

*No Public Comments were offered.*

Council took a 5 minute recess.

Council reconvened at 8:10 pm.

On a motion by Ms. Contessa, seconded by Ms. Liguori, the minutes of the Regular Meeting & Executive Session: August 25, 2016; Work Session & Executive Session: September 8, 2016; Regular Meeting & Executive Session: September 22, 2016. were approved, by the following vote:  
For: Mr. Tierney, Ms. Koury, Ms. Contessa, Ms. Liguori, Dr. McHugh.

Absent: Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Council introduced the following Ordinance Introduction:

- a. ORDINANCE NO. 1713 OF THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 435-19 FOR TIME LIMIT PARKING ALONG CENTRAL AVENUE IN FRONT OF ST. CATHARINE & THE UNION CHURCH.
- b. ORDINANCE NO. 1709 OF THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 293-12 TO ESTABLISH TRANSIENT DOCKAGE FEE FOR SMALL SLIPS.

Mayor Matthies noted all of the above were previously discussed and public comments may be made at the next meeting.

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

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

Absent: Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

Council took formal action on the following requests for resolutions:

Resolution No. 2016-273: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING BILL LIST FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 23, 2016 THRU OCTOBER 13, 2016.

Resolution No. 2016-274: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A.40A:4-87 (MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE).

Resolution No. 2016-275: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A.40A:4-87 (BODY ARMOR).

Resolution No. 2016-276: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING DESIGNATED YEAR 2016 RAFFLE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR TRI-BORO.

Resolution No. 2016-277: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE.

Resolution No. 2016-278: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE DATES AND SALE OF BEACH BADGES FOR PURCHASE BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC DURING THE 2016 HOLIDAY SEASON.

Resolution No. 2016-279: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A CHANGE FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200.00 FOR THE PRE-SEASON SALE OF HOLIDAY BEACH BADGES.

Resolution No. 2016-280: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT FOR A BEACH FIRE PERMIT APPLICATION.

Resolution No. 2016-281: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH OCEAN COUNTY FOR THE DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM FY 2016.

Resolution No. 2016-282: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY 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.

Resolution No. 2016-283: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUSPENDING PARKING METER ENFORCEMENT FROM OCT. 1<sup>ST</sup> 2016 THRU APRIL 30, 2017.

Resolution No. 2016-284: ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SEASIDE PARK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ACKNOWLEDGING "RED RIBBON WEEK" IN THE BOROUGH OF SEASIDE PARK.

No Public Comments were offered.

Mayor Matthies recognized 'Red Ribbon Week' to teach us to be 'drug free' as part of Ocean County's Health Department's Municipal Alliance and Mayor's Wellness campaign.

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

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

Absent: Ms. Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### ***Public Comments***

Pat DeGutis, Stockton Avenue, inquired whether there was money in the budget to have a working street sweeping program and further commented this past summer it seemed the side streets were not cleaned enough not only on her street but throughout the town.

Brian Murphy, Central Avenue, requested assistance on an adjoining property that has been suffered hurricane damage in 2012 and since abandoned with no rehabilitation. He noted the property sits in the business zone and has become an eye sore to the town. Mr. Martucci explained because the property is owned by an LLC the court is unable to prosecute. Mayor Matthies requested Mr. Zabarsky to look into the legal aspect.

Shirley Kreszl, North Bayview Avenue, noted the RREM Program requires rehabilitation properties to be tested for asbestos and lead in the air.

Mayor Matthies closed the public comment portion.

#### ***Adjournment.***

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Council.

