

**BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**July 10, 2017**  
**7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Janet Barnhart, Marguerite Dyroff, Paul Garrett, Denise Hurlbutt, Barbara Schmouder, Kenneth Scheesley, Sean Simcox, Mike Zellers

Others Present: Dennis Thompson, Mayor; Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager; Marc Drier, Esquire, Solicitor; Shawn Hummer, Captain, TVRPD

Council President: President Dyroff informed all Council and the public that meetings were recorded for official record keeping.

President Dyroff presented the June 12, 2017 Minutes. Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to approve the June 12, 2017 Minutes. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Public: Todd Lauer stated his concerns with the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) grant that the Tiadaghton Valley Regional Police Department has looked into to construct a new public safety building. President Dyroff informed Mr. Lauer that the Borough nor TVRPD has applied for these funds at this time.

Krista McLaughlin: Ms. McLaughlin stated the Borough should be receiving approximately \$85,000 in FFY 2017 CDBG funds. Ms. McLaughlin asked Council to select a project for these funds and recommended allocating the FFY 2017 CDBG funds to the Meadow Alley Stormwater Reconstruction Project. After discussion, Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to allocate FFY 2017 CDBG funds to the Meadow Alley Stormwater Reconstruction Project. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Ms. McLaughlin stated the final hearing will be held on September 28, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Lycoming County Commissioners' Board Room.

Ms. McLaughlin proposed reallocating FFY 2014 CDBG funds in the amount of \$20,832 from the Slum/Blight removal to the Curbcut Replacement Project due to the owner of 413 Bailey Alley making the necessary repairs to his property. After discussion, Councilor Garret made a Motion to reallocate the FFY 2014 CDBG funds in the amount of \$20,832

from Slum/Blight to the Curbcut Replacement Project. Councilor Scheesley seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Ms. McLaughlin presented a change order from Bassett Engineering in the amount of \$19,500 to replace two ramps at the intersection of Allegheny and Bastress Streets. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$19,500 to replace two ramps at Allegheny and Bastress Streets. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Mike Fisher: Mr. Fisher stated that the Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program must now pay prevailing wage for projects over \$25,000. Mr. Fisher indicated that there were three options for the Jersey Shore Borough Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program: 1. to no longer continue the program due to these new regulations; 2. to only do projects in the amount of \$25,000 or less; or 3. to change the guidelines to allow for projects up to \$50,000, with an additional \$15,000 for lead abatement if required. Mr. Fisher stated that if Council were to increase the amount to \$50,000 with the additional \$15,000 for lead abatement, Council could elect to place the lien against the property at the amount of the actual value of repairs before prevailing wage is added on. After discussion, Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to change the guidelines to allow for projects up to \$50,000, with an additional \$15,000 for lead abatement if required and to place a lien against the property at the actual value of the repairs. Councilor Simcox seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Fisher recommended updating some of the language in the Jersey Shore Borough Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program guidelines. The updates would include changing the target area for the program to Wards 1 and 2 as was stated on the grant application, requiring the contractors to follow the Borough's Floodplain Management Ordinance with all projects in the floodplain, not allowing any project to be completed within the Floodway, and allowing life-estates as proof of ownership. After discussion, Councilor Simcox made a Motion to accept the updates which include changing the target area for the program to Wards 1 and 2 as was stated on the grant application, requiring the contractors to follow the Borough's Floodplain Management Ordinance with all projects in the floodplain, not allowing any project to be completed within the Floodway, and allowing life-estates as proof of ownership. Councilor Hurlbutt seconded the Motion. A roll-call vote was taken with Councilor Garret, Councilor Zellers, Councilor Scheesley, President Dyroff, Councilor Simcox, and Councilor Hurlbutt voting yes and Councilor Barnhart and Councilor Schmouder voting no. The Motion carried 6/2.

Mr. Fisher presented the Owner Occupied Home Rehabilitation Program contract. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the Contract in the amount of \$350,000 contingent upon SEDA-COG's review and approval. Councilor Scheesley seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

President Dyroff: President Dyroff expressed a concern as to the status of the codes violations and the number of outstanding violations. James Douty, Zoning & Codes Enforcement Officer stated he would meet with her to discuss the violations.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hamm presented an estimate for the cost to pave a number of alleys in the Borough. Mr. Hamm requested that Council consider paving Plum Alley from Main Street to Broad Street; Cherry Alley from Allegheny Street to Unnamed Alley 22; and the Recycling Center Area as these areas are heavily traveled by residents. Councilor Barnhart made a Motion to place the alley paving project out for bid which would include paving Plum Alley from Main Street to Broad Street; Cherry Alley from Allegheny Street to Unnamed Alley 22; and the Recycling Center Area. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Councilor Simcox made a request to cold patch the other alleys throughout the Borough that are in need of repair. Mr. Hamm stated the Public Works Department was working on cold patching alleys throughout the Borough.

Mr. Hamm presented the plans of Trista Arndt to consolidate three parcels of land into one parcel. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the plans of Trista Arndt to consolidate three parcels of land into one parcel. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hamm presented the plans of Anita Fisher to subdivide a portion of her property and consolidate it with an adjoining property she owns. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the subdivision and consolidation of property. Councilor Scheesley seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hamm presented the Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation program report.

Mayor: Nothing to present at this time.

Borough Solicitor: Nothing to present at this time.

Finance Committee: President Dyroff presented the July 2017 bills in the amount of \$23,255.38. President Dyroff made a Motion to pay the July 2017 bills in the amount of \$23,255.38. Councilor Scheesley seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

President Dyroff presented the Voya report from June 2017.

Police: President Dyroff presented the Commission report for the July 3, 2017 meeting.

Their next meeting is Monday, August 7, 2017.

Captain Hummer: Nothing to present at this time.

Highway: Councilor Scheesley presented the Highway Report for June 2017.

Councilor Scheesley presented quotes for the purchase of a new backhoe while trading in the old backhoe and old loader on that purchase as follows: SEI in the amount of \$46,006.40; John Deere in the amount of \$56,524; Cleveland Brothers in the amount of \$61,800; and Medico Industries in the amount of \$103,749. Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to approve the purchase of a new backhoe while trading in the old backhoe and old loader on that purchase from SEI in the amount of \$46,006.40. Councilor Barnhart seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 8/0.

Personnel: Nothing to present at this time.

TVMA: Nothing to present at this time.

JSAJWA: Councilor Zellers presented the June 19, 2017 Minutes.

Emergency Management: Mr. Buttorff presented the Emergency Management Report.

Mr. Buttorff stated that the five-year FEMA review is upcoming.

Recreation: Councilor Garrett stated their next meeting is July 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Commission: Nothing to present at this time.

Codes: Councilor Zellers presented the June Permit Report and Codes Report.

Building & Grounds Committee: President Dyroff stated that the Buildings & Grounds Committee will meet on July 20, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Library: Councilor Schmouder stated the Library participated in the Town Meeting Parade and had a book stand at Town Meeting.

Their next meeting is August 8, 2017.

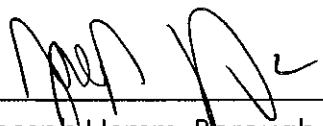
J.S. Hospital: Councilor Simcox stated Geisinger took over operations on July 1, 2017 and the hospital is now Geisinger Jersey Shore Campus. Councilor Simcox indicated that he has resigned as Chair of the Board as there will not be a local board; however, he will remain on an advisory board.

J.S. YMCA: Councilor Scheesley stated the porch repair/replacement project is beginning.

Old Business: Nothing at this time.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Adjourn: Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

  
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Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager