## BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE COUNCIL MEETING May 12, 2014 7:00 PM

Members Present: Janet Barnhart, Marguerite Dyroff, Paul Garrett, Barbara Schmouder, Sean Simcox, John Pisarcik

Absent: Deborah Colocino, Kenneth Scheesley

Others Present: Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager; Dennis Buttorff, Mayor; Denise Dieter, Esquire, Solicitor; and Nathan DeRemer, Sergeant, TVRPD

President Dyroff informed Council and the public that all Council meetings were recorded for record keeping purposes and reminded everyone to keep their comments and discussion to five-minutes each. President Dyroff asked Council and the public to not talk amongst themselves and to ask questions after a motion and a second has been made. That is the proper time for questions and discussion.

Minutes: Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the Minutes from the April 14, 2014 meeting. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0.

Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve the Minutes from the April 30, 2014 meeting. Councilor Garrett seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0.

<u>Public:</u> Peter Trotta expressed a concern regarding some of the properties in the Borough. Councilor Simcox explained the rental inspection Ordinance was in place which holds landlords responsible for the condition of their properties, addressing fines, and criminal charges if necessary. Inspections have started and reports are being written up on each rental unit that is completed.

<u>Borough Manager</u>: Mr. Hamm presented Resolution 05.12.2014.01 regarding application for County Aid in the amount of \$3,520, which is pre-set by Lycoming County. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to adopt Resolution 05.12.2014.01. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Hamm presented a Memorandum of Understanding between the Borough and Lycoming County regarding the use of DEVNET/LycoGIS. This replaces the previously used Geoplan program. Mr. Hamm explained for 2014, the cost for use of DEVNET/LycoGIS is free. In 2015, the cost will rise to \$200/year which was the cost of Geoplan. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding. Councilor Barnhart seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Hamm presented an email from Mr. David Steele from Intrada Technologies. Mr. Hamm explained that the cost to upgrade the computer system, the server and software in the Borough office would exceed what was previously budgeted for the upgrade by \$2,000. Mr. Hamm

further explained the current software could be used on the new computers, however, in 2015, the current software would no longer be supported by Microsoft. Intrada suggested updating the software along with the upgrade of the computer system and server all at once. Councilor Pisarcik made a Motion to approve an additional \$2,000 to update the computer system. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from Trinity United Methodist Church requesting the use of the Gazebo Lot from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. on June 28, 2014 for an ice cream social. Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve the request of Trinity United Methodist Church to use the Gazebo Lot on June 28, 2014. Councilor Garrett seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0. Mr. Hamm indicated he would request a copy of their liability insurance.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from Larson Design Group regarding a waterline rehabilitation project which will impact portions of Cemetery and Glover Streets.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from Welker Funeral Home regarding their request to DEP to make improvements including adding a carport to the side of their business.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from PennDot regarding yearly maintenance of traffic signals.

Mr. Hamm presented a flyer for the West Branch Council of Governments 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Equipment Show and Training Day to be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2014.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from the United Way regarding a PA Budget Watch Town Hall Meeting on May 20, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Hamm reminded Borough Council of the Special Meeting on May 22, 2014 to open the 2014 paving bids.

Mayor: Nothing at this time.

Solicitor: Nothing at this time.

<u>Finance</u>: Councilor Colocino was absent. Mr. Hamm presented the bills for May 2014 in the amount of \$30,573.01. Councilor Pisarcik made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$30,573.01. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Hamm presented the ING report from April 1, 2014 through April 30, 2014.

<u>Police</u>: Councilor Simcox presented the Packet from the May 5, 2014 Police Commission meeting.

<u>Sergeant DeRemer</u>: Sergeant DeRemer indicated the School Resource Officer program was going well and it is used quite often. He further indicated Officer Fera and Officer Fioretti were building a great rapport with the students.

<u>Highway Committee:</u> Councilor Scheesley was absent. Mr. Hamm presented the Public Works Department Monthly Report.

Mr. Hamm presented the results of the survey of the residents regarding making Pine Street and Spruce Streets one way. Mr. Hamm indicated the following:

- 45.33% of the residents did not believe the traffic should be altered in either direction on either street;
- 2.67% of the residents believed that only Spruce Street should be made one way;
- 13.33% of the residents believed that only Pine Street should be made one way; and
- 38.67% of the residents believed that both Pine Street and Spruce Street should be made one way.

Due to the safety concerns that were presented to council, Mr. Hamm also presented reports from Fire Chief Fausey and Chief Cowfer indicating that no head-on collisions have occurred on Pine Street and/or Spruce Street.

Mr. Hamm stated the Highway Committee was recommending to not change the flow of traffic on either Pine Street or Spruce Street.

Personnel: Nothing at this time.

<u>Sewer</u>: Mr. Hamm presented the minutes from the Tiadaghton Valley Municipal Authority and the Jersey Shore Area Joint Water Authority. Councilor Simcox indicated TVMA is on schedule.

<u>Fire Commission</u>: Dennis Buttorff presented the alarm reports from Citizens Hose and Independent Hose companies.

Mr. Buttorff also presented Senate Bill 1342 which has been introduced to the State legislature which would allow Municipalities the option to waive the earned income tax for volunteer firefighters and first responders.

Emergency Management: Mr. Buttorff presented a SIM Program Field Inventory Worksheet which the Borough must fill out for every sign in the Borough by June 14, 2014.

<u>Recreation Committee:</u> Councilor Garrett stated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for the pool would be held on June 21, 2014, with a rain date of June 22, 2014.

Councilor Garrett presented a letter from Denise Smith stating she was not able to make the commitment to the Recreation Committee any longer and was resigning effective immediately.

Ann Green presented a letter from the "\$50,000 for 50 Campaign" Committee. Ms. Green and Betty Allen are co-chairing a committee to raise \$50,000 over the next two years to help cover

necessary repairs and improvements to the pool. The Committee is working with the Jersey Shore Pool Association so donations can be made to a 501(c)(3).

<u>Tree Commission</u>: Nothing at this time.

<u>Codes</u>: Councilor Simcox presented the Permit Report for April 2014. Councilor Simcox indicated the rental inspections have been successful to date.

<u>Library</u>: Councilor Schmouder presented her report from the Jersey Shore Area Public Library Committee Meeting. The library would like to install lighting in the new parking lot. Councilor Schmouder indicated the library would participate in the Antes Fort Days celebration. Councilor Schmouder stated the library would be giving away three scholarships to graduating seniors in the amount of \$50/each. The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2014. However, the Committee will not be meeting in July.

<u>Flood</u>: Mr. Buttorff presented a letter from Congressman Tom Marino regarding the flood summit meeting. Mr. Buttorff indicated that there would be approximately 28 properties in the Borough removed from the flood hazard Zone A. This is good news for our residents in that area.

J.S. Hospital: Councilor Simcox indicated David Shannon is the new CEO and is now officially in that capacity.

J.S. YMCA: Councilor Scheesley was absent. Councilor Schmouder reminded Council and the public that they were still running the Strong Kids Campaign seeking donations and that the YMCA would help residents if they did not have the funds to purchase a membership.

Jersey Shore Public River Access Project: Nothing at this time.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

President Dyroff announced an Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. Council came out of Executive Session at 8:32 p.m.

<u>Adjourn</u>: Councilor Pisarcik made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 6/0.

Joseph Hamm, Barough Manager