BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE COUNCIL MEETING October 13, 2014 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Garrett, John Pisarcik, Kenneth Scheesley, Barbara Schmouder, Sean Simcox

Absent: Janet Barnhart, Deborah Colocino, Marguerite Dyroff

Others Present: Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager; Denny Buttorff, Mayor; Nathan DeRemer, Sergeant, TVRPD; Shawn Lorson, TVMA

<u>Council Vice President</u>: Vice President Scheesley informed Council and the public that all Council meetings were recorded and reminded everyone to keep their comments and discussion to five-minutes.

Vice President Scheesley presented the September 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the September 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 5/0.

Vice President Scheesley presented the September 15, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the September 15, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 5/0.

<u>Public</u>: Ann Green stated the \$50,000 for 50 Campaign has raised \$32,500 to date, with \$11,000 of that being in pledges. Ms. Green indicated they would be requesting a \$10,000 grant from The First Community Foundation Partnership of PA. Ms. Green further indicated an endowment fund was created in order to have funds for future pool maintenance. Ms. Green stated the resurfacing of the pool would cost approximately \$37,000 and they should have the funds available from the fundraiser. If not, they have someone who is willing to loan the money, interest free, for the balance between the funds raised and the cost to resurface the pool. Ms. Green reminded Borough Council members to make their donation to the pool.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hamm presented an email from a resident regarding trick-or-treating hours. After discussion, Council set trick-or-treating hours for Friday, October 31, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Hamm presented a memo from Kristin McLaughlin, Project Coordinator, SEDA-COG regarding the FFY 2014 CDBG Application. Mr. Hamm stated Council must decide at the November 2014 Council Meeting what project it will invest the FFY 2014 CDBG funds in. Councilor Simcox suggested hiring someone to do a survey of the Borough next year in order to prove Borough-wide low to moderate income.

Mr. Hamm presented an email from DCED providing an additional extension to provide a written corrective action plan for the Financial Compliance Monitoring Report to October 31, 2014.

Mr. Hamm presented the Financial Management Plan from SEDA-COG. Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve the Financial Management Plan. Councilor Garrett seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from Karen Frantz, Parade Chairman, Jersey Shore Town Meeting requesting to hold the Jersey Shore Town Meeting Annual Christmas Parade on December 6, 2014. Mr. Hamm stated the parade was previously approved in January. Councilor Schmouder questioned the route of the parade as a map was not included with the letter. Mr. Hamm indicated he would look into getting a copy of the parade route.

Mr. Hamm presented the Monthly Program Report for September 2014 for the Borough's Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from Jersey Shore Area Joint Water Authority indicating the Water Authority is renewing the NPDES Permits at Larry's Creek and Pine Creek Filtration Plants.

Mr. Hamm presented an invitation from Lycoming County Resource Management for the grand opening of the single-stream recycling center on October 16, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

Mayor: Mayor Buttorff stated the Love Center soup kitchen is doing well and the monthly packages will be going out this week.

Mayor Buttorff stated two businesses have closed in the Borough; Crazy Tomato and Moore's Sweet Shoppe & Café.

Mayor Buttorff indicated the Borough sign that was on the Welker property was removed but cannot be replaced due to the condition of the sign.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: Mr. Hamm presented the bills for October 2014 in the amount of \$79,513.39. Councilor Pisarcik made a Motion to pay the bills for October 2014 in the amount of \$79,513.39. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hamm presented the Voya report for September 2014.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from the Jersey Shore Public Library requesting Borough Council to consider resuming full funding of the library in the 2015 budget.

Mr. Hamm stated a budget work session is scheduled for October 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Police</u>: Councilor Simcox presented the commission packet from the October 4, 2014 meeting. Councilor Simcox stated residents attended the September meeting and expressed concern over alleged gang activity in the Borough. Councilor Simcox indicated Ed Pawlak of the Hartman Group discussed insurance rates with the Police Commission at a 20% savings. The next meeting will be held on November 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Sergeant DeRemer</u>: Sergeant DeRemer stated that the Tiadaghton Regional Police Department has been investigating all complaints they receive regarding the alleged gang activity in the Borough. Sergeant DeRemer indicated there were 3 or 4 individuals from the Williamsport and

Jersey Shore area involved. One of the individuals was arrested; one was on probation; and one individual was instructed by his probation officer that if he returns to Jersey Shore he would be incarcerated on a probation violation. Sergeant DeRemer stated they haven't had any further issues at this time.

<u>Highway</u>: Councilor Scheesley presented the September 2014 Highway Report. Councilor Scheesley indicated the Borough loader is in need of repairs. It will cost approximately \$19,000 to repair, which is more than the loader is worth. Options are being reviewed and will be brought back to Council once more is known.

Personnel: Nothing at this time.

<u>TVMA</u>: Mr. Hamm presented the September 17, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Their next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Hamm presented a letter from Shawn Lorson, Executive Director, requesting Council to reappoint Cheryl Brungard to the TVMA Board beginning January 1, 2015. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to reappoint Cheryl Brungard to the TVMA Board. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 5/0.

Shawn Lorson: Mr. Lorson presented an invitation to the ribbon-cutting ceremony on October 22, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. at the new plant.

Mr. Lorson stated the new plant went on line on March 25, 2014 and the mandatory hook-up notices were sent out on June 1, 2014. The mandatory hook-ups will create 197 new customers. Mr. Lorson explained a grant was obtained through CDBG funding to help residents with the cost of the mandatory hook-up. Mr. Lorson further explained the final sewer rates are lower than expected due to the funding TVMA received for the whole project. Mr. Lorson further stated the old plant has been demolished, top soil, and grass seed has been planted. Mr. Lorson explained the old drainage pipe will remain in place in case of a catastrophic event and sewage would need to be pumped out of the Borough.

<u>JSAJWA</u>: Councilor Schmouder presented the September 15, 2014 Meeting Minutes.

<u>Fire Commission</u>: Mr. Buttorff presented Independent Hose Company's alarm report. Mr. Buttorff stated the EMS box cards need updated and apparatus changes are necessary. The new radio system is being updated. Mayday calls will be able to be pinpointed to the exact radio and location once the EOC's system is updated.

Emergency Management: Mr. Buttorff presented a memo from Representative Tom Marino's office regarding flood insurance.

Mr. Buttorff stated an emergency exercise will be held at the Jersey Shore Area School District administration building on October 29, 2014.

<u>Recreation</u>: Councilor Garrett presented the September 3, 2014 Minutes. Councilor Garrett indicated the Recreation Committee is planning on several different activities for 2015 including movies, basketball games, and concerts. Councilor Garrett stated the budget will be ready to present to Council in November 2015.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2014.

<u>Tree Commission</u>: Mr. Buttorff indicated the trees from the Gazebo lot were removed and replanted between the Thompson Street Rec. Field and the new playground.

Codes: Councilor Simcox presented the Permit Report for September 2014.

<u>Library</u>: Councilor Schmouder presented the library report. The next meeting is scheduled for November 11, 2014.

<u>Flood</u>: Mr. Buttorff stated he would be attending the Stormwater Summit on October 29, 2014 at Penn College of Technology.

Jersey Shore Public River Access Project: Mr. Hamm indicated Phase One of the project began on October 8, 2014. Phase one should be completed by November 15, 2014 with the project being finished on or about May 15, 2015 depending on the water levels and ice buildup in the river.

<u>Jersey Shore Borough Downtown Sidewalk Project</u>: Mr. Hamm indicated the project began on October 6, 2014 and should be done within the next three weeks. Mr. Hamm further indicated the only issue was the replacement of a tree by Veteran's Park, which Hawbaker's moved the location of the new tree arbitrarily, but it would be fixed at no extra cost to the Borough.

J.S. Hospital: Nothing at this time.

J.S. YMCA: Councilor Scheesley indicated memberships were up.

Laura McMahon indicated the 11th annual bike ride was a success with approximately 160 riders. Ms. McMahon further indicated the YMCA would hold their annual fall festival for the trick-ortreaters on October 31, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Old Business: Mr. Buttorff discussed Aqua Fencing which is a new device to help keep back flood waters in place of sand bags.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Adjourn: Councilor Pisarcik made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 5/0.

Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager