BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE COUNCIL MEETING March 11, 2024 7:00 p.m.

<u>Members Present</u>: Scott Bierly, Sean Simcox, Barbara Schmouder, Dennis Thompson, Jeremy Frantz, Denise Robbins, Molly Hollick, and Steve Kanski

Absent:

Others Present: Marc Drier, Esquire, Solicitor and Lon Myers, Mayor

<u>Meeting Minutes:</u> Council President Simcox presented the February 12, 2024, meeting minutes. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

<u>Public:</u> John Shireman mentioned he was waiting for an answer from the previous Council Meeting on why he was approached about sitting on available Committees, after being interviewed for the vacant Council Member seat. Mr. Shireman mentioned the fence at the recycling center was damaged and propped against a pole. Council President Simcox stated the Public Works Department would be looking into this in the morning.

<u>Council President</u>: Council President Simcox mentioned the Borough Manager, Cody Hoover has presented Borough Council with a resignation letter. Councilor Frantz made a motion to accept Cody Hoover's resignation letter. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and unanimously voted 8 for YES and 0 for NO.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Council President Simcox presented a letter from Liz Cooper at Senator Bob Casey's Office informing the Borough of the \$1 Million dollars that will be awarded for the Jersey Shore Borough Public Safety Building Project.

Council President Simcox presented the letter from PennDOT regarding the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund Payment in the amount of \$127,895.45.

<u>Borough Manager:</u> Council President Simcox presented the Resolution 03.11.2024.01 Submission of Multi-Purpose Community Facilities Program Grant. Councilor Bierly made a motion to approve the Resolution 03.11.2024.01 Submission of Multi-Purpose Community Facilities Program Grant. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Simcox presented the 2024 Paving Project Estimates. Councilor Kanski made a motion to choose option number 2 of High Street (Thomas St. to Dead End) and Thompson Street (Bastress St. to Wilson St.) with a Total Street Paving Estimate of \$162,516.55. Councilor Frantz seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Simcox presented the SEDA-COG Satisfaction Piece for 522 S. Main St. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the SEDA-COG Satisfaction Piece for 522 S. Main St. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Simcox presented the West Pharmaceuticals request for the abandonment of the alley named "West Alley". Councilor Hollick made a motion to approve the abandonment of the alley named "West Alley". Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Simcox presented the Pine Creek Street Sweeper Quote for \$146.00 per hour with an operator provided. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the Pine Creek Street Sweeper Quote for \$146.00 per hour with an operator provided. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Simcox presented the Dumpster price quotes for Borough Clean-up Day. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve Wayne Township Landfill for a 40-yard container with \$100 delivery, \$100 pickup, and \$49.50/ton. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Simcox presented the Jersey Shore Area School District Soft Ball Team request to install and concrete pressure treated posts to attach nets to for practice, near the batting cages. Councilor Frantz made a motion to approve the Jersey Shore Area School District Soft Ball Team request to install concrete pressure treated posts to attach nets to for practice, near the batting cages. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Simcox presented the Jersey Shore Area High School's request to use Locust, Broad, and Thompson Streets on Tuesday September 24, 2024, from 6PM. until approximately 7:00 PM. for the 2024 Homecoming Parade. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the Jersey Shore Area High School's request to use Locust, Broad, and Thompson Streets on Tuesday September 24, 2024, from 6PM. until approximately 7:00 PM. for the 2024 Homecoming Parade.

Council President Simcox presented the PennDOT- Erosion repair on the Borough-owned drainage pipe packet. No motion was needed.

Council President Simcox Presented the Zoning Hearing Board Written Decision on the Variance Hearing for 1114 Allegheny Street. No motion was needed.

Council President Simcox Presented a letter from Magisterial District Judge Dieter regarding the Juvenile Diversionary Program. No motion was needed.

<u>Mayor Myers</u>: Mayor Myers presented the Second Annual Key to the Borough Award to the Family of C. Burt and Janet Francis. C. Burt and Janet Francis were born and raised in Jersey Shore and spent their lives dedicated to the Borough of Jersey Shore.

<u>Borough Solicitor</u>: Mr. Drier mentioned he is waiting on the title search is still ongoing, and the deed for the property on Allegheny Street should be completed soon.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: Council President Simcox presented the March bill report for a total of \$122,442.99. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the March bill report for a total of \$122,442.99. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

<u>Police</u>: Officer Fera spoke about the Juvenile Diversionary Program, and how they are seeing positive changes coming from this program.

Their next meeting is Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Public Works</u>: Councilor Bierly presented the March 2024 Public Works Department Monthly Report.

<u>Personnel</u>: Nothing to present currently.

<u>Emergency Management</u>: Mr. Denny Buttorff went over the water levels, and mentioned a meeting will be scheduled for April, to go over EMA procedures.

Recreation Committee: Councilor Bierly requested the Borough Council's financial assistance with the purchase of a "Square" Point of Sale system for the Pool during Season, and to be used by the Borough during off season. The estimated purchase cost of the "Square" Point of Sale system will be \$1,277.00. Councilor Kanski made a motion to purchase the "Square" Point of Sale system for the Pool during Season, and to be used by the Borough during off season, for the estimated cost of \$1,277.00. Councilor Hollick seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Their next meeting is on April 4, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Tree Commission</u>: Councilor Schmouder mentioned she would like to appoint Emily Diehl to the Tree Commission. Council President Simcox made a motion to appoint Emily Diehl to the Tree Commission. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

<u>Codes</u>: Councilor Schmouder presented the February 2024 permit and codes report.

<u>Building & Grounds Committee</u>: Nothing to present currently.

<u>TVMA</u>: Council President Simcox presented the January 17, 2024, meeting minutes.

<u>JSAJWA</u>: Councilor Schmouder presented the February 6, 2024, and February 20, 2024, meeting minutes.

Their next meeting is on April 2, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Library</u>: Councilor Schmouder mentioned there will be a book sale this week, and the repairs have been completed and the library is now open.

<u>Jersey Shore Revitalization Committee</u>: Council President Simcox presented the February 15, 2024, meeting minutes.

Their next meeting is on March 21, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

<u>200th Anniversary Committee:</u> Mayor Myers presented the February 22, 2024, meeting minutes.

Their next meeting is on March 28, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Geisinger J.S. Hospital</u>: Nothing to present currently.

YMCA Advisory Board: Council President Simcox presented the "Your Gift Changes Lives" Annual Campaign flyer.

<u>Combined Public Service Building</u>: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>Thompson Street Park</u>: The advertisement for bidding was advertised on March 10, 2024, and will be again on March 19, 2024. The bid opening will be on March 28, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at the Borough Office.

Lawshee Run: Nothing to present at this time.

Active Transportation Plan: Nothing to present currently.

<u>Old Business</u>: Mayor Myers asked if there were any programs in place for first time homebuyers in the Borough. Council President Simcox mentioned there are no programs specific to the Borough at this time.

New Business:

<u>Adjourn</u>: Council President Simcox made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:45 PM.

Sean Simcox

Borough Council President

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