

BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE
COUNCIL MEETING
August 14, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Scott Bierly, Sean Simcox, Barbara Schmouder, Steve Kanski, Dennis Thompson, Brian White, Denise Robbins and Tina Cooney

Absent:

Others Present: Cody Hoover, Borough Manager and Lon Myers, Mayor

Council President announced there was an Executive Session held on Monday, August 7, 2023 to discuss personnel and litigation matters.

Meeting Minutes: Council President Simcox presented the July 10, 2023 meeting minutes. Council President Simcox requested spelling corrections be fixed in the meeting minutes. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the meeting minutes with the spelling corrections. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Visco Architecture and Larson Design Group presented the plans for the Borough Highway Building. Both spoke in great detail about the layout, design, location and details of the new Borough Highway Building.

Public: No Public Comments

Council President: Nothing at this time.

Correspondents: Mr. Hoover presented the West Pharmaceuticals map of Oliver Street, and where they would like to block parking temporarily on both sides of the street, for 120' from the entrance. This request is temporary and would occur on August 16, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. through August 17, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the temporary closure of Oliver Street on both sides 120' from the entrance of West Pharmaceuticals. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover announced the Borough has been awarded \$764,668 from the "Green Light-Go" program, to be used to update signal equipment at Allegheny Street & Broad Street, and Allegheny Street and Main Street.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hoover presented Ordinance 2023-04 Establishing a stop sign at the intersection of Bastress and Locust Street. No motion was made

Mr. Hoover presented Ordinance 2023-05 Establishing a schedule of fines for parking violations on Cemetery Street from the corner of Poplar Street to the corner of Oliver Street. Council President tabled the Ordinance 2023-05 for further discussion.

Mr. Hoover presented the CMT Laboratories Subsurface Investigation Proposal, for the Jersey Shore Borough Garage potential location. Total cost for the proposal was \$9,500.00. Further quotes were requested.

Mr. Hoover presented the County of Lycoming Board of Elections polling place letters. The letters were posted on the current polling locations regarding a public meeting at the Board of Elections on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 to discuss the proposed polling place changes. The letters were posted on the Jersey Shore YMCA and Fairplay Gospel Fellowship.

Mr. Hoover presented the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund Audit for January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Mr. Hoover presented the letter from Larson Design Group regarding the approval process for the Jersey Shore Borough Garage project and updates.

Mr. Hoover presented the short-term mutual fund liquidation letter.

Mr. Hoover presented the July 2023 progress report from Penn Strategies.

Mr. Hoover presented the RK Webster Engineering curb cut cost opinion. The installation and repair of the curb cut estimate was \$130,922.00

Mr. Hoover presented the Citizens Hose Co. financial assistance request letter.

Mr. Hoover mentioned the Williamsport Traffic Department allowed the Borough to use their stencils and line painter, for the line painting work the Borough needed to complete. Mr. Hoover mentioned this generous offer saved on time and labor cost, as well as cost savings for equipment needed. Mr. Hoover would like to request a monetary donation to the Williamsport Traffic Department for their assistance. Council President Simcox made a motion to make a donation to the Williamsport Traffic Department in the amount of \$250.00. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Historical Society letter regarding a one-time game of chance license request. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the Historical Society letter regarding a one-time game of chance license request. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. Councilor Cooney abstained. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the monthly briefing between himself and the Council President and Vice-President.

Mayor: Mayor Myers would like to thank The Jersey Shore Town Meeting for their great job with The Town Meeting Celebration and the chance to be a part of the parade.

Borough Solicitor: Not in attendance

Finance Committee: Ms. Christina Cooney presented the August bill report for a total of \$94,933.02 with the transfer of \$5,505.24 from the General Fund to the Swimming Pool Fund. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the August bill report for a total of \$94,933.02. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Police: Council President Simcox presented the Commission update.

Their next meeting is Thursday, September 7, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. (Borough of Jersey Shore)

LRPD: Nothing at this time

Highway: Councilor Bierly presented the August 2023 Public Works Department Monthly Report. Highway Supervisor Matthew Bartholomew went over the report with more detail, and the paving that will be occurring over the next two weeks.

It was requested the Public Works Department install a one-way sign at Santino's to assure traffic is flowing in the correct direction, due to safety concerns.

Councilor Bierly made a motion to change the name from the Highway Committee to the Public Works Committee, to have reports match one name for the Public Works Department. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Personnel: Nothing to present at this time.

Emergency Management: Mr. Hoover presented the Alarm reports for Independent Hose Company.

Recreation Committee: Councilor Bierly mentioned the Recreation Committee is working on the details for the Fall and Christmas Decorating Contests. Councilor Bierly mentioned the Community Pools "Under the Sea" event was a success, and the Community Pool season will be officially ending on Sunday, August 20, 2023.

Their next meeting is on September 7, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Commission: Nothing at this time.

Codes: Councilor Schmouder presented the July 2023 permit and codes report.

Building & Grounds Committee: Nothing to present at this time.

TVMA: Mayor Myers announced TVMA has purchased a new vac truck, as well as a new lateral line camera for inspections.

JSAJWA: Councilor Schmouder presented the August 1, 2023 Minutes.

There will be a special meeting held on August 22, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Their next meeting is on September 5, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Library: Councilor Schmouder mentioned that the summer reading program at the library is coming to an end, and has been very successful.

Jersey Shore Bicentennial Committee: Nothing to present at this time.

Geisinger J.S. Hospital: Nothing to present at this time.

YMCA Advisory Board: Mr. Hoover discussed the changes to the YMCA equipment, and the work they will be doing for future fundraisers.

Combined Public Service Building: Mr. Hoover mentioned the Borough is working with Citizen's Hose Company on the MOU language.

Thompson Street Park: Mr. Hoover mentioned he is working with the Recreation Committee and The Town Meeting regarding moving the heavier carnival equipment for The Town Meeting Celebration to the stone parking lot while the park is undergoing the updates, and possibly permanently.

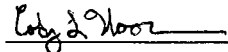
Lawshee Run: Nothing to present at this time

Active Transportation Plan: Mr. Hoover mentioned the updates were discussed in the monthly briefing.

Old Business: Nothing to present at this time.

New Business: Mr. Hoover presented the pictures of the foot/bike bridge on Lincoln Avenue. The deterioration of the bridge was noticed on August 14, 2023 mid-day, and immediately closed until further notice. Upon inspection of the bridge, it was found the steel structure was deteriorated beyond repair and is no longer safe for use. Mr. Hoover mentioned they are looking into possible welding solutions or a new bridge. The foot/bike bridge on Smith Street is starting to show the same signs of deterioration, and will need to look at being repaired as well.

Adjourn: Council President Simcox made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:55 PM.



Cody L. Hoover, Borough

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