BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE COUNCIL MEETING December 12, 2022 7:00 p.m.

<u>Members Present</u>: Scott Bierly, Sean Simcox, Barbara Schmouder, Dennis Thompson, and Tina Cooney

Absent: Janet Barnhart, Denise Robbins, and Steve Kanski

Others Present: Cody Hoover, Borough Manager; Lon Myers, Mayor; Marc Drier, Esquire, Solicitor

Council President Simcox opened the Conditional Use Hearing at 7:07 pm. to discuss the Geisinger Shore Land Development request for three properties owned by Geisinger Jersey Shore on 1100, 1102, and 1106 Thompson Street. The properties will be developed into a parking lot for the Hospital. Brian Heimbach was in attendance representing Geisinger Jersey Shore, and spoke briefly about the process that will be taken to complete the project. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the conditional use for a parking lot on the three parcels of land on 110, 1102, and 1106 Thompson Street. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0. Council President Simcox closed the conditional use hearing at 7:14 pm. and entered back into the Council Meeting.

Council President Simcox announced, an Executive Session was held on December 12, 2022 at 6:30 pm., to discuss the appointment of a Water Authority Board Member.

Meeting Minutes:

Council President Simcox presented the November 14, 2022 Minutes, and requested an amendment to the minutes, stating there was a grammar error. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the November 14, 2022 Minutes with the amended changes. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

<u>Public:</u> Jason Fitzgerald from Penn Strategies presented a list of grants awarded to the Borough with the help of Penn Strategies for 2022. Mr. Fitzgerald mentioned he will be working on grants for Lawshee Run in 2023.

Kelly Schweikart from the Town Meeting requested information from Council, regarding the complaints and issues being brought forth regarding their Pumpkin Roll event. Ms. Schweikart would like to know why the date of the Pumpkin Roll event had to be changed.

Mr. Hoover requested the Council begin an executive session to discuss the issues and complaints that have been brought forth regarding the Pumpkin roll Event.

Council entered an Executive Session at 7:30 pm. Executive Session ended at 7:38 pm. Council entered back into Council meeting.

Council President Simcox requested a meeting be set up between The Town Meeting and Kimberly Martin from The Autumn at the Shore, to discuss the Pumpkin Roll Event and the matters at hand that will be discussed before the events are approved in the January 9, 2023 meeting.

Council President: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>Correspondents:</u> Mr. Hoover presented the Thank you letter from the YMCA regarding the \$500 donation from the Borough of Jersey Shore.

Mr. Hoover presented the Thank you letter from the SPCA regarding the \$125 donation from the Borough of Jersey Shore.

Mr. Hoover presented the letter from the Central Keystone Council of Governments, regarding the 2023 hourly rate increase from 0.0067 to 0.0070. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the 2023 hourly rate increase of 0.0070. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

<u>Borough Manager:</u> Mr. Hoover presented the 2023 finalized budget. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the 2023 finalized budget. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Ordinance 2022-03 Tax Levy, showing no increase from 2022 to 2023. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the 2023 Tax Levy. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 12.12.2022.01 expressing sympathy to the family of C. Burt Francis. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve Resolution 12.12.2022.01 expressing sympathy to the family of C. Burt Francis. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 12.12.2022.02 expressing sympathy to the family of Ralph Lehman. Councilor Cooney made a motion to approve Resolution 12.12.2022.02 expressing sympathy to the family of Ralph Lehman. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the satisfaction piece for Deborah Fuller regarding the property located on 240 Culvert Street. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the satisfaction piece for Deborah Fuller regarding the property located on 240 Culvert Street. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the SEDA-COG Subrecipient Agreement for Center for Independent Living. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the SEDA-COG Subrecipient Agreement for Center for Independent Living. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Penn Strategies 2023 Agreement. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the Penn Strategies 2023 Agreement. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Jersey Shore Water Authority, Board Member appointment of Lisa L. Urbine for a term of 5 years. Councilor Bierly made a motion to approve the Jersey Shore Water Authority, Board Member appointment of Lisa L. Urbine for a term of 5 years. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Tiadaghton Valley Municipal Authority, Board Member Appointment of Michael Buttorff for a term of 5 years. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the Tiadaghton Valley Municipal Authority, Board Member Appointment of Michael Buttorff for a term of 5 years. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Borough Office Cleaning proposal from Nancy Harrow at an hourly rate of \$25. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the Borough Office Cleaning proposal from Nancy Harrow at an hourly rate of \$25. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover requested the 2023 Annual Events list, be approved in the January 9, 2023 Council Meeting.

Mr. Hoover mentioned the list of 2023 Annual Events for The Jersey Shore Town Meeting with the exception of the Annual Town Meeting Celebration Parade, will be voted on in the January 9, 2023 Council Meeting. Councilor Cooney made a motion to approve of the Annual Town Meeting Celebration Parade route, taking place on July 6, 2023. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

<u>Mayor</u>: Mr. Myers wanted to thank all who participated and provided for the Santa Parade. Mr. Myers would like to thank Mr. Hoover and the Public Works Department for repairing

the lights at the recycling area. Mr. Myers mentioned that he will be working on a project, that will be providing a deserving individual with a "key" to the Borough.

<u>Borough Solicitor</u>: Mr. Drier mentioned he will be meeting with the Zoning and Codes Enforcement Officer regarding rezoning of a property.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: Mr. Hoover presented the December bill report for a total of \$76,266.85. Councilor Cooney made a motion to approve the December bill report for a total of \$76,266.85. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

<u>Police</u>: Council President Simcox presented the following Police Commission Minutes: Lycoming Regional Police Commission Meeting November 15, 2022, and Tiadaghton Valley Regional Police Commission Minutes December 5, 2022.

Their next meeting is Tuesday, January 3, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

TVRPD: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>Highway</u>: Mr. Bierly presented the November 2022 Public Works Department Monthly Report.

<u>Personnel</u>: Mr. Hoover mentioned the Borough currently has an open job posting for a Highway Supervisor position, that will end on December 13, 2022. Personnel Committee will then review all of the applications and resumes.

Emergency Management: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>Recreation Committee</u>: Councilor Bierly announced the Recreation Committee will be voting on the winners of the Christmas Decorating contest the week of December 16, 2022.

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

<u>Tree Commission</u>: Councilor Schmouder announced, the two shade trees that were approved for removal at West Pharmaceuticals have been removed. West Pharmaceuticals has replaced the sidewalk located at the previous trees, and have planted two new slow growing trees in place of the removed trees.

<u>Codes</u>: Councilor Schmouder presented the Permit Report for November 2022. Mr. Hoover announced Gene Kennelley is the new Zoning and Codes Enforcement Officer, and his hours are Monday thru Friday, 8 am. until 2 pm. Building & Grounds Committee: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>TVMA</u>: Mr. Hoover presented the Meeting Minutes from September 11, 2022, and October 19, 2022.

JSAJWA: Councilor Schmouder presented the November 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

Their next meeting is on December 19, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Library</u>: Councilor Schmouder mentioned the library was presented with a \$5,000 donation. Councilor Schmouder announced the library will be having a book sale March 13-16, 2023 and March 23-25, 2023.

Their next meeting is on December 13, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

<u>Geisinger J.S. Hospital</u>: Council President Simcox mentioned Geisinger Jersey Shore Hospital, will now be named Geisinger Jersey Shore Campus.

Old Business: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>New Business</u>: Bryan Edwards asked Council to look into the property located behind him. Mr. Edwards stated the grass is very overgrown, and numerous feral cats are living on the property. Mr. Hoover said he will get with the Zoning and Codes Enforcement Officer to look into this issue.

<u>Adjourn</u>: Council President Simcox made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:12 PM.

Cody & Hoover, Borough Manager

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