

BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE
COUNCIL MEETING
December 9, 2019
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Janet Barnhart, Paul Garrett, Matthew Haag, Kenneth Scheesley, Barbara Schmouder, Sean Simcox, Michael Zellers

Absent: Marguerite Dyroff

Others Present: Dennis Thompson, Mayor; Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager; Joshua Klinger, Officer, TVRPD; Marc Drier, Esquire, Solicitor

Council President: Councilor Zellers informed all Council and the public that meetings were recorded for official record keeping.

Council Zellers stated an Executive Session was held to discuss personnel matters.

Councilor Zellers presented the November 11, 2019 Minutes. Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to approve the November 11, 2019 Minutes. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Council President: Nothing to present at this time.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hamm presented the 2020 Budget as follows: General Fund Budget – \$1,788,369.97; Swimming Pool Budget – \$66,055.00; and Liquid Fuels Budget – \$138,928.83. Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve the 2020 Budget. Councilor Scheesley seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm presented Ordinance 2019-08 setting the 2020 tax rate. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-08. Councilor Haag seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm presented a request to roll over 33 days of vacation to 2020. Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to approve Mr. Hamm's request. Councilor Simcox seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm presented an agreement between the Borough of Jersey Shore and JDM Consultants, LLC (Penn Strategies) for grant writing services for a term of one year at the cost

of \$36,000 to be paid in monthly installments of \$3,000 each. Councilor Haag made a Motion to approve the agreement between the Borough of Jersey Shore and JDM Consultants, LLC (Penn Strategies) for grant writing services. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm presented an estimate from General Code not to exceed \$1,585 to update the Borough Code and eCode360. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the estimate from General Code. Councilor Scheesley seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm presented a quote from Intrada Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$3,980 to replace four desktop computers that will be updated with Windows 10. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve the quote from Intrada Technologies, Inc. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm reminded Council the Christmas luncheon would be held on Monday, December 23, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Mr. Hamm indicated the Reorganization meeting would be held on January 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. and the regular monthly meeting would be held on January 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor: Nothing to present at this time.

Borough Solicitor: Nothing to present at this time.

Finance Committee: Mr. Hamm presented the December 2019 bills in the amount of \$112,947.21. Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to pay the December 2019 bills in the amount of \$112,947.21. Councilor Haag seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm presented the November 2019 Voya report.

Police: Councilor Simcox presented the December 2, 2019 meeting packet.

Councilor Simcox stated the 2020 budget was approved.

Their next meeting is Thursday, January 2, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

TVRPD: Officer Klinger stated the K9 dog, Zoli, was purchased and currently being trained to detect narcotics and to locate people. Officer Klinger indicated he would be leaving on December 31 and training with Zoli for a month.

Highway: Councilor Scheesley presented the Highway Report for November 2019.

Personnel: Nothing to present at this time.

TVMA: Nothing to present at this time.

JSAJWA: Councilor Schmouder presented the November 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes.

Emergency Management: Mr. Buttorff indicated the CRS Report is due February 1, 2020.

Mr. Buttorff indicated the radio frequency test went well and there were 18 points in the Borough with the initial tests and the second test with the new equipment. The next step is for the contractor to send a letter to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regarding the frequency swap.

Mr. Buttorff stated \$322.50 was expended to repair the receiver at the Borough barn due to dirt and other debris.

Recreation Committee: Councilor Haag stated 20 residential homes and 8 businesses entered the Christmas Decorating Contest. Councilor Haag indicated the judging would be held the week of December 16, 2019.

Councilor Haag stated 90% of the repairs to the Community Pool were complete and that the tile work would be completed in the spring.

Their next meeting is January 9, 2020.

Tree Commission: Nothing to present at this time.

Codes: Councilor Schmouder presented the Permit Report for November 2019 and the Codes Enforcement Report for November 2019.

Building & Grounds Committee: Mr. Hamm stated a survey of the Depot Street property was needed in order to move forward with the project. Mr. Hamm indicated he would request Larson Design Group to submit a quote for the January meeting.

Library: Councilor Schmouder presented the November 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes.

Their next meeting is December 10, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

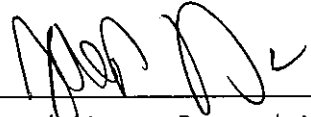
Geisinger J.S. Hospital: Nothing to present at this time.

J.S. YMCA: Councilor Scheesley indicated the renovations were complete and encouraged residents to stop and see the improvements.

Old Business: Councilor Garrett requested a thank-you letter be sent to Jersey Shore Town Meeting, Inc. for all of their hard work in completing the new Santa Hut in time for the Santa parade.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Adjourn: Councilor Scheesley made a Motion to adjourn. Councilor Simcox seconded the Motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager