BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE COUNCIL MEETING February 12, 2024 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent:

Others Present: Cody Hoover, Borough Manager, Dance Drier, Esquire, Solicitor and Lon Myers, Mayor

Council President Simcox announced an Executive Session was held on January 8, 2024 at 8:10 p.m. to discuss personnel matters, and on February 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss contracts.

<u>Meeting Minutes:</u> Council President Simcox presented the January 8, 2024 meeting minutes. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Council President Simcox announced there were interviews on February 2, 2024 for the 3rd Ward Council Member vacancy. Council President Simcox asked the Personnel Committee if they had a recommendation. Councilor Bierly announced their recommendation for the 3rd Ward Council Member vacancy will be Molly Hollick. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve Molly Hollick as a 3rd Ward Council Member for the vacancy, for a term ending on December 31, 2025. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Hollick took her seat at the Council table.

<u>Public:</u> John Shireman mentioned he was one of the applicants for the 3rd Ward Council vacancy position. Mr. Shireman mentioned he was declined the position, and would like to decline the offer to be a part of Council Committees.

Council President: Nothing to present at this time.

Council President Simcox announced there was a bid opening on February 6, 2024 at 3:00 pm. for the Public Works Department Building Bids. Council President asked for a motion to table to project at this time, pending other grant funding. Councilor Thompson made

a motion to table the Public Works Department Building project pending other grant funding at this time. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

<u>Correspondence:</u> Mr. Hoover presented the letter from Wayne Township Landfill, regarding the free Residential Tire Collection Event for Borough residents on May 17, 2024 and May 18, 2024.

<u>Borough Manager:</u> Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 02.12.2024.01 regarding the River Valley Transit Local Match in the amount of \$2,513.96. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve Resolution 2.12.2024.01 regarding the River Valley Transit Local Match in the amount of \$2,513.96. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Dwayne Wasson's subdivision and land development plan from the Planning Commission. Councilor Bierly made a motion to approve Dwayne Wasson's subdivision and land development plan from the Planning Commission. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented a draft of the County of Lycoming Memorandum of Understanding for the Lawshee Run engineering. No motion was made at this time.

Mr. Hoover presented the extra Allegheny Trail Project Funds allocation projects from Larson Design Group. The grant funding left over will go to more signage for bike paths around the trails and school. Councilor Frantz made a motion to move forward with the projects to use up the extra grant funds left from the Allegheny Trail Project. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the PennDOT project notifications for the bridge replacement over Lawshee Run, and the proposed project on State Route 3028, section 042. No motion as needed.

Mr. Hoover presented the PP&L pole relocation for the Thompson Street Park Project, for McCanna Street and the Jersey Shore Pool. The pole relocation for McCanna Street will cost \$4,594.62 and the pole relocation at the Jersey Shore Pool will cost \$6,312.00. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the PP&L pole relocation for McCanna Street and the Jersey Shore Pool. Councilor Frantz seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the R K Webster "Green Light Go" grant traffic signal design. This 2-year estimated project will be for a total of \$92,800.00. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the R K Webster "Green Light Go" grant traffic signal design for a total of

\$92,800.00 and include Act 13 money if needed. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Larson Design permit application cost in the total of \$3,400.00. This application will be for the Max Engle Memorial Bridge on Lincoln Avenue. EQT is in the finalization phase of this project. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the Larson Design permit application cost in the total of \$3,400.00. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented EQT "Little Free Library" donation. EQT is planning a few "random Acts of Kindness" for the month of February, and would like to donate a "Little Free Library" to the Borough of Jersey Shore. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the EQT "Little Free Library" donation. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Penn Strategies Progress Report for January.

Mr. Hoover presented the Geisinger Jersey Shore Easter Egg Hunt request for Geisinger Employee Families. The event is requested for March 30, 2024 at 11:00 am. at the park and surrounding field by the baseball fields. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve Geisinger Jersey Shore Easter Egg Hunt request for Geisinger Employee Families. on March 30, 2024 at 11:00 am. at the park and surrounding field by the baseball fields. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover presented a letter from the Williamsport Chapter of Senior Citizens requesting a donation. The item was tabled for a later date.

Mr. Hoover presented the Borough Manager Report.

<u>Mayor Myers</u>: Congratulated Molly Hollick on the acceptance of the 3rd Ward Council Member position.

<u>Borough Solicitor</u>: Dance Drier mentioned they are working on the MOU's and the SEDA-COG property.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: Council President Simcox presented the February bill report for a total of \$92,610.34. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the February bill report for a total of \$92,610.34. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Hoover announced the Jersey Shore State Bank would be increasing the interest rates on the Borough deposit and money market accounts. No motion needed.

Council President Simcox presented the Borough Budget Year to date update.

Council President presented the Cetera Financial Monthly report.

Financial Committee to meet at a future date.

<u>Police</u>: Nothing to present at this time.

Their next meeting is Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

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

<u>Personnel</u>: Councilor Bierly presented the Personnel Committee Meeting minutes from January 5, 2024. Councilor Bierly mentioned the Personnel Committee Meeting was in regards to the two interviews for the open position of Public Works Forman.

<u>Emergency Management</u>: Mr. Denny Buttorff presented the Declaration of Disaster Emergency form, and the Daily Elevation of Identified Hazards and Risk report. No motion needed.

Recreation Committee: Pool season is coming up and the Pool will start hiring pool staff soon.

Their next meeting is on March 7, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Commission: Nothing at this time.

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

Councilor Schmouder presented the Codes Committee Meeting Minutes from February 7, 2024.

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

<u>TVMA</u>: Nothing to present at this time.

JSAJWA: Nothing to present at this time.

Their next meeting is on March 5, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

Library: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>Jersey Shore Revitalization Committee</u>: Tina Cooney mentioned the Jersey Shore Revitalization Committee met on February 6, 2023 at the YMCA to go over possible improvements and ideas people would like to see in the Borough.

Mr. Hoover presented the January 10, 2024 Jersey Shore Revitalization Committee meeting minutes.

<u>Jersey Shore Bicentennial Committee:</u> Mayor Myers presented the January 25, 2024 meeting minutes.

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

YMCA Advisory Board: Nothing to present at this time.

Combined Public Service Building: Nothing at this time.

<u>Thompson Street Park</u>: Bidding for the Thompson Street Park Project is projected to begin in March 2024.

Lawshee Run: Nothing to present at this time.

<u>Active Transportation Plan</u>: Larson Design will be meeting with DCNR to work on potential grants to fully fund the projects.

Old Business: Nothing to present at this time.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Adjourn: Council President Simcox made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:56 PM.

Sean Simcox

Borough Council President