

**BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**February 13, 2023**  
**7:00 p.m.**

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

Absent: Denise Robbins

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

Council President Simcox announced, an Executive Session was held on January 30, 2023 at 5:30 pm. to discuss personnel matters.

Councilor Bierly presented the Personnel Committee Recommendation for the vacant second Ward Council Member position. Councilor Bierly made a motion to accept Brian T. White as the second Ward Council Member recommendation. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Hoover swore in Mr. White as a Council Member, and he joined the other Members on the Council.

Meeting Minutes: Council President Simcox presented the January 9, 2023 Minutes. Mr. Hoover requested two edits be made to the minutes in the form of spelling changes. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the January 9, 2023 Minutes, with the spelling changes. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Public: Mr. Shireman requested answers to the issues he presented to Council, at the January Council Meeting, regarding the water in his yard. No action was taken at this time.

Council President: Nothing to present at this time.

Correspondents: Mr. Hoover announced there is a vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hoover presented Ordinance 2023-01 regarding the CKCOG Rental Inspection Program revision. This revision would change Inspections from a (4) year basis, to a (2) year basis. Councilor Cooney made a motion to accept the Ordinance 2023-

01 regarding the CKCOG Rental Inspection Program revision. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 02.13.2023.01 regarding the CKCOG Rental Fee Schedule. The fee for a Rental Unit License will be \$45.00 per dwelling or rooming unit. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve Resolution 02.13.2023.01 regarding the CKCOG Rental Fee Schedule. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 02.13.2023.02 regarding the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Application. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve Resolution 02.13.2023.02 regarding the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Application. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover announced the retirement of Ronald Henry, the Borough Highway Supervisor. Mr. Henry has been employed with the Borough for almost 30 years. Councilor Bierly made a motion to accept the retirement of Ronald Henry, as the Borough Highway Supervisor. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the CKCOG Adopted Property Maintenance Code at the Borough's Discretion. Borough Council has decided to table this item at this time.

Mr. Hoover presented the CKCOG Administration Agreement of the existing Rental Ordinance 2013-08. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the CKCOG Administration Agreement of the existing Rental Ordinance 2013-08. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the RUE Environmental Archaeological Survey, for the proposed Public Service Building and Highway Department Building Development project. No motion was required.

Mr. Hoover presented the ARPA-SLFR funds for Thompson Street Park. The funds will assist in the development of the upgrades to Thompson Street Park. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the use of ARPA-SLFR funds for Thompson Street Park in the amount of \$437,675.13. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the quotes for the replacement of the salt shed, located on Depot Street. Highway Supervisor Matthew Bartholomew explained to Council the safety and structural concerns regarding the current salt shed, and the need for a new structure. The following quotes were presented to the Borough Council: S & K Renovations \$17,162.00,

Steel Master Building, LLC \$20,000.00, and Double E Construction \$22,800.00. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve and accept the quote from S & K Renovations for \$17,162.00. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the quotes from (2) structural engineers, to be used in the event of a housing situation, whereas a structural engineer inspection would be necessary. The following Structural Engineer quotes were presented to Borough Council: Brooks Engineering Services, Inc \$149.00 per hour, and Boyle Engineering, LLC \$100 per hour for PE and \$80.00 per hour for CAD.

Mr. Hoover presented the BPOE Elks Lodge #1057 Borough lease agreement for 2023-2027, paid in full. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the BPOE Elks Lodge #1057 Borough lease agreement for 2023-2027, paid in full. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Jersey Shore AYSO Borough lease agreement for 2023-2027, pending payment. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the Jersey Shore AYSO Borough lease agreement for 2023-2027, pending payment. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the YMCA Advisory Council appointment letter, requesting the appointment of Cody Hoover to the Advisory Council of the local Jersey Shore Branch YMCA, as a representative of the Jersey Shore Borough. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the appointment of Cody Hoover to the Advisory Council of the local Jersey Shore Branch YMCA, as a representative of the Jersey Shore Borough. Councilor White seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/1.

Mr. Hoover mentioned the YMCA Advisory Council is looking to fill two additional seats, and asked if any other Council members would be interested in the vacant seats. Mr. Lon Myers and Mr. Dance Drier put their names forward for the vacant seats.

Mr. Hoover presented the JSSB term sheet. No motion was required.

Mr. Hoover announced the passing of the previous Borough Council Member, Silvio "Sam" Deparasis. No motion was required.

Mr. Hoover presented the SPCA Donation request letter in the amount of \$125.00. No motion was required.

Mr. Hoover presented the Jersey Shore Summer Recreation donation request letter in the amount of \$8,250.00. No motion was required.

Mr. Hoover presented the Planning Commission reappointment of Michelle Laubach for a (3) year term. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the Planning Commission reappointment of Michelle Laubach for a (3) year term. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mayor: Mayor Lon Myers mentioned he attended the Girl Scout Gold Star Award Ceremony for Phaedra Bower. Phaedra Bower is the first to receive the Gold Star Award for the Jersey Shore area Girl Scout Troop.

Borough Solicitor: Nothing to present at this time.

Finance Committee: Ms. Christina Cooney presented the February bill report for a total of \$87,479.30. Councilor Bierly made a motion to approve the February bill report for a total of \$87,479.30. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Police: Council President Simcox presented the Police Commission Minutes from February 6, 2023.

Their next meeting is Monday, March 6, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

TVRPD/LRPD: Nothing to present at this time.

Highway: Councilor Bierly presented the February 2023 Public Works Department Monthly Report.

Mr. Hoover requested selling equipment that is no longer in use, by the Highway Department. Councilor Kanski made a motion to sell equipment that is no longer in use. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Personnel: Personnel matters were discussed in the beginning of the Council Meeting, regarding the appointment of a second Ward Council Member.

Emergency Management: Nothing to present at this time.

Recreation Committee: Councilor Bierly mentioned the Recreation Committee is collecting plastic again for another bench, as well as taking applications for Lifeguards.

Councilor Bierly presented a letter of interest from Jeffrey Klugh, regarding the vacant seat on the Recreation committee. Councilor Kanski made a motion to accept the letter of interest from Jeffrey Klugh, to fill the vacant seat on the Recreation Committee. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion passed 7/0.

Their next meeting is on March 2, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Commission: Councilor Schmouder reported a shade tree did fall in February, and fortunately did not cause any damage.

Codes: Councilor Schmouder presented the Permit Report for January 2023.

Mr. Hoover presented the Uninhabitable rental property list.

Building & Grounds Committee: Building and Grounds Committee met, and recommended the approval to Council, regarding the updates, and name change being completed by the VP Jersey Shore Baseball Group to the baseball field on Pennsylvania Avenue. Councilor Cooney made a motion to approve the updates, and name change being completed by the VP Jersey Shore Baseball Group to the baseball field on Pennsylvania Avenue. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

TVMA: Nothing to present at this time.

JSAJWA: Councilor Schmouder presented the January 16, 2023 and February 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

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

Library: Nothing to present at this time.

Their next meeting is on February 14, 2023 at 5:00 pm.


Jersey Shore Bicentennial Committee: Mayor Lon Myers mentioned, he met with the groups, and they are at this time in the planning mode.

Geisinger J.S. Hospital: Council President Simcox mentioned the Geisinger J. S. Hospital is doing well, and have hired more staff.

Old Business: Nothing to present at this time.

New Business: Nothing to present at this time.

Adjourn: Council President Simcox made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:56 PM.

  
Cody L. Hoover, Borough