

**BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
January 8, 2024  
7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Scott Bierly, Sean Simcox, Barbara Schmouder, Dennis Thompson, Jeremy Frantz, Denise Robbins and Steve Kanski (phone)

Absent:

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

Meeting Minutes: Council President Simcox presented the December 11, 2023 meeting minutes. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Council President Simcox presented the January 2, 2024 Reorganization meeting minutes. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Public: Bryan Edwards questioned who sets the hourly rates on the Central Keystone Council of Governments. Mr. Edwards questions why the inspection of the electrical box at the Santa House would cost \$90 for less than an hour of work. Mr. Hoover explained to Mr. Edwards the steps that were taken by the Central Keystone Council of Governments to make sure the electrical box would pass the inspection, and allow PP&L to provide power back to the Santa House.

Council President: Nothing to present at this time.

Correspondence: Nothing to present at this time.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 01.08.2024.01 Authorizing the Lycoming Regional Police Department to enforce any and all Ordinances, codes, and regulations established in the Borough of Jersey Shore. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the Resolution 01.08.2024.01 Authorizing the Lycoming Regional Police Department to enforce any and all Ordinances, codes, and regulations established in the Borough of Jersey Shore. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 01.08.2024.02 approving the submission of an RCAP application for the total of \$4,000,000. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the Resolution 01.08.2024.02 approving the submission of an RCAP application for the total of \$4,000,000. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the West Pharmaceuticals expansion letter, providing an outline of the current construction projects and a brief overview of what is to come in regards to community support and career opportunities.

Mr. Hoover presented the letter from the Board of Elections, announcing there is a vacancy for a Third Ward Council position. Council President Simcox requested the advertisements be posted via social media and the Sun Gazette. Mr. Hoover stated the advertisements would be posted this week until January 17, 2024. Councilor Kanski made a motion to advertise via social media and the Sun Gazette for the Third Ward Council Member vacancy. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the 2024 Annual Events list. Mr. Frantz requested the Jersey Shore Town Meeting Easter Egg Hunt event, be changed from April to March. Councilor Frantz made a motion to approve the 2024 Annual Events list. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Penn Strategies Progress Report for December 2023 going over the awarded grants and projects.

Mr. Hoover presented the Wreaths Across America Donation letter for a total of \$221.00. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve donation of \$221.00 to the Wreaths Across America. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Central Keystone Council of Governments fee schedule for 2024. Councilor Robbins made a motion to approve the Central Keystone Council of Governments fee schedule for 2024. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover announced the request of re-appointment to the Recreation Committee for Jodi Heck (2024-2026), and Brian Fioretti (2024-2026). Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the re-appointment to the Recreation Committee for Jodi Heck (2024-2026), and Brian Fioretti (2024-2026). Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the managers monthly report for January.

Mayor: Mayor Lon Myers thanked the Town Meeting for a wonderful parade and the refreshments. Mr. Myers would like to thank the Recreation Committee for the Christmas Decorating Contest. Mr. Myers would like to see the Gazebo being used more, and asked if advertisements could be made on the ability to rent the Gazebo. Mr. Myers asked how the Borough can better prepare for traffic changes and weather emergencies, he would like to see a plan that can be passed on to the Borough residents to prepare for any emergencies.

Borough Solicitor: Nothing to present at this time.

Finance Committee: Council President Simcox presented the January bill report for a total of \$119,958.73. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the January bill report for a total of \$119,958.73. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Council President Simcox presented the Borough Budget Year to Date report, Financial Report from Steve Lowe and the Cetera Financial Monthly report.

Financial Committee to meet.

Police: Nothing to present at this time.

Their next meeting is Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. (Jersey Shore)

Public Works: Councilor Bierly presented the January 2024 Public Works Department Monthly Report.

Councilor Bierly presented the Public Works Property Audit.

Personnel: Councilor Bierly announced the Public Works Foreman Recommendation would be Zeke Fisher at an hourly rate of \$20.23. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve Zeke Fisher as the Public Works Foreman Recommendation at an hourly rate of \$20.23. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Bierly mentioned the Personnel Committee would be accepting letters of interest for the Third Wad Vacancy until January 17, 2024.

Emergency Management: Mr. Denny Buttorff mentioned he would like to see an Emergency Preparedness Committee, to better prepare for any future emergencies. Mr. Buttorff requested the Public Works employees inspect the storm basins to make sure they are clear of al debris, to ensure all rain and melting snow will not back up.

Recreation Committee: Nothing to present at this time.

Their next meeting is on January 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Commission: Nothing at this time.

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

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

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

TVMA: Nothing to present at this time.

JSJWA: Councilor Schmouder presented the January 2, 2024 Reorganization and Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

Library: Councilor Schmouder presented the December 12, 2023 Meeting minutes.

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

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

YMCA Advisory Board: Nothing to present at this time.

Combined Public Service Building: Mr. Hoover announced the bid is advertised for Phase 1 and bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. on January 26, 2024.

Thompson Street Park: Nothing to present at this time.

Lawshee Run: Nothing to present at this time.

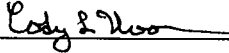
Active Transportation Plan: Nothing to present at this time.

Old Business: Nothing to present at this time.

New Business: Mr. Hoover mentioned West Pharmaceuticals would like to be involved this Arbor Day to hand out trees and possibly a Borough clean-up day. Building and Grounds will meet on this topic.

Council President Simcox announced there would be an executive session held after the adjournment of the regular Council meeting.

Adjourn: Council President Simcox made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:10 PM.

  
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Cody L. Hoover, Borough

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