

BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE
COUNCIL MEETING
January 9, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Scott Bierly, Sean Simcox, Barbara Schmouder, Denise Robbins, Steve Kanski, and Tina Cooney

Absent: Dennis Thompson

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

Council President Simcox announced, an Executive Session was held on January 9, 2023 at 6:00 pm. to discuss personnel matters.

Council President Simcox presented the Planning Commission packet regarding the land development for the Geisinger Jersey Shore parking lot. Multiple parcels will be combined for the parking lot. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the Planning Commission land development plans. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Meeting Minutes: Council President Simcox presented the December 12, 2022 Minutes. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the December 12, 2022 Minutes. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Public: Dave Worden from 1220 Cemetery Street on behalf of the Jersey Shore Little League VP would like to make updates to the baseball field located on Pennsylvania Ave. The group will be looking into fixing the fencing around the field, as well as adding top soil where needed. The group will be providing the funds for the upgrades, as well as the mowing and maintenance of the field. Council President Simcox requested the information be handed over to the Building and Grounds Committee to discuss further, and provide the findings to the Council at the February Council Meeting.

Mr. Worden brought up the issue with the traffic speeding in the area of Oliver and Cemetery Street, as well as the concern for the busses and students that travel that roadway. Mr. Worden mentioned there are no stop signs in this area, and one may be able to help with the speeding traffic. Mr. Hoover proposed having the Highway crew perform a traffic study, to see if a stop sign can be utilized in this area of Oliver and Cemetery Street.

John Shireman mentioned to Council, he is having an issue with water running from the French drains behind his property, into his yard and pooling. Mr. Shireman mentioned he felt the work that had been performed that created the issue, were completed without proper permits. Mr. Shireman believes when the French drains were being installed, an underground spring was opened up and causing more water issues. Council President Simcox and Councilor Cooney will be meeting with Mr. Shireman on his property to go over the issue and look for a possible solution.

Robin Wahl mentioned to Council, she is having issues getting access to the sidewalk that she needs to be on, as a crossing guard. Ms. Wahl mentioned her father lives across from Richmond Park, and he is having issues getting all of the leaves raked up, that are coming from the Borough owned trees. Mr. Hoover and Council President Simcox mentioned there is a free leaf pick up in the fall for all of the Borough residents, and this service is free. Council President Simcox stated he would make sure the Highway crew improves their leaf clean up on the Borough property, with the bagger on the mower.

Council President: Nothing to present at this time.

Correspondents: Mr. Hoover presented the resignation letter from Janet Barnhart, as a second ward Council Member. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to accept the resignation letter from Janet Barnhart, with regrets. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the letter from the Jersey Shore Little League, regarding the maintenance needed for the baseball field located on Pennsylvania Ave. The information has been discussed and moved into the hands of the Building and Grounds Committee for further discussion.

Mr. Hoover presented the letter from the Wreaths Across America, and asked the Council to make the yearly donation in the amount of \$195. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the donation of \$195. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hoover presented Ordinance 12.12.22.01, this was previously adopted as Ordinance 9.12.2022 regarding the updated Lycoming Regional Police Department Charter Agreement. Councilor Cooney made a motion to approve Ordinance 12.12.22.01. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 01.09.2023.01 regarding the PennDOT traffic signal maintenance agreement. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve Resolution 01.09.2023.01. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Jersey Shore Area Highway Department New Building architectural design services from Tony Visco, in the amount of \$88,200. Mr. Hoover stated the cost will be paid for from the grant funding that was received regarding this project. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the Jersey Shore Area Highway Department New Building architectural design services from Tony Visco, in the amount of \$88,200. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Larson Design Group, Highway Building proposal in the amount of \$59,525. Mr. Hoover stated the cost will be paid for from the grant funding that was received regarding this project. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the Larson Design Group, Highway Building proposal in the amount of \$59,525. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Conditional Use hearing written decision from December 12, 2022, regarding the Geisinger Jersey Shore parking lot plan. Councilor Bierly made a motion to approve the Conditional Use hearing written decision from December 12, 2022, regarding the Geisinger Jersey Shore parking lot plan. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the JSASD COOP program, regarding the paid internship for one individual at minimum wage. The information has been sent to the Personnel Committee to discuss further questions. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the JSASD COOP program, regarding the paid internship for one individual at minimum wage with the advisement of the Personnel Committee. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Engineer Appointment of RK Webster for the CBG Funds curb cuts. Councilor Cooney made a motion to approve the Engineer Appointment of RK Webster for the CBG Funds curb cuts. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the Keystone Central COG code changes. The Keystone Central COG code changes have been sent to the Codes Committee to go over.

Mr. Hoover presented a quote for the Jersey Shore Swimming pool propeller in the amount of \$3,525. After some discussion, Council President decided it would be best to

use funds from the General Fund, to pay for the necessary part to purchase in order to open the pool for the 2023 season. Councilor Bierly made a motion to approve the purchase of the new pool propellor in the amount of \$3,525. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hoover went over the property acquisition update for the new Highway building. No motion was needed.

Mr. Hoover presented the 2023 Annual Events list. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the 2023 Annual Events list. Councilor Schmouder seconded the motion. The motion carried. 5/0.

Mr. Hoover presented the amended proposed Jersey Shore Area Joint Water Authority mandatory connection Ordinance. The amended proposal has been sent to the Codes Committee to discuss further.

Mr. Hoover presented the Recreation Committee Reappointments.

Scott Bierly – term to expire on December 31, 2025

Cheryl Brungard – declined reappointment

Tom Butzler – tentative approval based on his decision.

Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the reappointments. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Mayor: Mayor Lon Myers wanted to express his satisfaction with the homes decorated this Christmas season. Mayor Myers assisted with the Recreation Committee 2023 Christmas Decorating Contest.

Mayor Myers would like to present a key to the Borough, and present the information at the February meeting.

Mayor Myers would like to create a Community Committee for the Jersey Shore Bicentennial. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to form the Jersey Shore Bicentennial Committee, and place Mayor Lon Myers as chair. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Borough Solicitor: Mr. Dance Drier mentioned the West Avenue property that has received back letters from the Zoning and Codes Officer, resident has passed and the Executor of the estate is being looked into.

Finance Committee: Ms. Christina Cooney presented the January bill report for a total of \$88,689.42. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve the January bill report for a total of \$88,689.42. Councilor Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0. Finance Committee will meet on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 2:30 PM. with Muncy Bank and Trust.

Police: Council President Simcox presented the Police Commission Minutes from January 3, 2023. Council President Simcox mentioned they official became the Lycoming Regional Police Department on January 1, 2023.

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

TVRPD: Nothing to present at this time.

Highway: Mr. Bierly presented the November 2022 Public Works Department Monthly Report.

Personnel: Councilor Bierly recommended Matthew Bartholomew for the full-time hourly Highway Supervisor position, starting at \$58,000 per year (\$27.88 per hour) and 6 days of vacation, and benefits with a start date of January 16, 2023. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to approve Matthew Bartholomew as the full-time hourly Highway Supervisor position, starting at \$58,000 per year (\$27.88 per hour) and 6 days of vacation, and benefits with a start date of January 16, 2023. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Councilor Bierly recommended promoting Brent Weidler to Highway Foreman, with an increased wage to \$22 per hour. Councilor Kanski made a motion to promote Brent Weidler to Highway Foreman, with an increased wage to \$22 per hour. Councilor Cooney seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Councilor Bierly recommended keeping on Ron Henry as a part-time as needed Highway employee, at \$25 per hour, with no benefits. This will take effect on February 9, 2023. Councilor Schmouder made a motion to keep on Ron Henry as a part-time as needed Highway employee, at \$25 per hour, with no benefits. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Emergency Management: Financial Statements are available for Citizens Hose Company, at the Borough Office.

Recreation Committee: Councilor Bierly mentioned the Recreation Committee held a reorganization meeting on January 5, 2023.

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

Tree Commission: Nothing to present at this time

Codes: Councilor Schmouder presented the Codes and Permit Report for December 2022.

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

TVMA: Nothing to present at this time.

JSAJWA: Councilor Schmouder presented the December 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

Their next meeting is on January 16, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Library: Councilor Schmouder mentioned the January meeting has been cancelled.

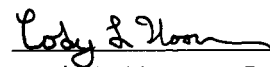
Their next meeting is on February 14, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

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

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 8:10 PM.



Cody L. Hoover, Borough