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

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

Absent:

Others Present: Marc Drier, Esquire, Solicitor and Lon Myers, Mayor

Meeting Minutes: Council President Schmouder presented the June 10, 2024, meeting minutes.

<u>Public:</u> Diane Carothers mentioned a home next to her residence has been vacant for several years. She has reached out to numerous entities, and no one is able to tell her who the actual owner of the home is. Borough Manager Simcox will investigate this.

<u>Correspondence</u>: The Jersey Shore Town Meeting requested permission to use Allegheny Street and Main Street for their annual Christmas Parade on December 7, 2024, at 4:00 PM. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve the request for the Jersey Shore Town Meeting to use Allegheny Street and Main Street for their annual Christmas Parade on December 7, 2024, at 4:00 PM. Councilor Glunk seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

<u>Borough Manager:</u> Borough Manager Simcox presented Resolution 07.08.2024.01 Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Application. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the Resolution 07.08.2024.01 Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Application. Councilor Robbins seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Borough Manager Simcox presented an email from Environ regarding a much lower electricity cost estimate starting January 2025. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve Environ's electricity cost estimate starting January 2025. Councilor Hollick seconded the motion. The motion carried 7/0.

Borough Manager Simcox brought up the Green Light Go Project, and the need to decide on the Broad Street/ Allegheny Street traffic signal light. The light is becoming more difficult every year to find repair parts for as well as costly to maintain. Due to the larger size of the base of the traffic signal light replacement of the light structure would cause a hindrance to the curb cuts at the intersection. Councilor Thompson made a motion to permanently remove the traffic signal light at the Broad Street/ Allegheny Street intersection. Councilor Frantz seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Borough Manager Simcox presented the Jersey Shore Area Joint Water Authority member appointment request, for David Palski, with his term ending on December 31, 2024. Councilor Bierly made a motion to appoint David Palski to the Jersey Shore Area Joint Water Authority, with his term ending on December 31, 2024. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Borough Manager Simcox presented the SEDA-COG Satisfaction Piece for 121 Fountain Street. Councilor Frantz made a motion to approve the SEDA-COG Satisfaction Piece for 121 Fountain Street. Councilor Glunk seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Borough Manager Simcox presented the request for the Palmer Alley request to open a section of the Alley back to the public. Borough Council decided to table this item and send to the Codes Committee to discuss for a Council recommendation.

Borough Manager Simcox presented the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan Compliance Audit. Borough Council decided to table this item and discuss it further.

<u>Mayor Myers</u>: Mayor Myers spoke of the tree planting ceremony he attended, as well as the Jersey Shore Town Meeting Celebration Parade. Mayor Myers read out loud a letter he received from a traveler through town, and the help they received from a resident.

<u>Borough Solicitor</u>: Nothing to present currently.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: Council President Schmouder presented the July bill report for a total of \$85,675.83. Councilor Hollick made a motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$85,675.83. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Schmouder presented the Borough Budget Year to Date report.

<u>Police</u>: Nothing to present currently.

Their next meeting is Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

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

Personnel: Nothing to present currently.

Emergency Management: Nothing to present currently.

Recreation Committee: Nothing to present currently.

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

<u>Tree Commission</u>: Nothing to present currently.

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

Their next meeting is on July 9, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Building & Grounds Committee</u>: Borough Manager Simcox mentioned Senator Casey will be visiting Jersey Shore on July 18, 2024, to discuss and see the progress on the Public Safety Building Project. The Max Engle Memorial Bridge will be completed soon. The Thompson Street Recreation Field work will begin in August. Mayor Myers asked for better lighting to be provided on Pennsylvania Avenue by the field.

TVMA: Council President Simcox presented the May 15, 2024, meeting minutes.

JSAJWA: Nothing to present currently.

Their next meeting is on July 9, 2024, at 5:15 p.m.

Library: Nothing to present currently.

Their next meeting is on August 13, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

<u>Jersey Shore Rivertown Committee</u>: Tina Cooney presented the June 20, 2024, meeting minutes.

Their next meeting is on July 18, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

<u>Jersey Shore Bicentennial Committee:</u> Mayor Myers presented the May 23, 2024, and June 27, 2024, meeting minutes.

Their next meeting is on July 25, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Geisinger J.S. Hospital</u>: Nothing to present currently.

YMCA Advisory Board: Nothing to present currently.

<u>Combined Public Service Building</u>: Nothing to present currently.

Thompson Street Park: Nothing to present currently.

Lawshee Run: Nothing to present currently.

Old Business: There is currently a vacancy on the Planning Commission Board.

New Business: Nothing to present currently.

Adjourn: Council President Simcox made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at

8: 15 PM.

Sean Simcox

Borough Manager