

**BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
VIA ZOOM  
March 8, 2021  
7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Janet Barnhart, Scott Bierly, Paul Garrett, Barbara Schmouder, Sean Simcox, Dennis Thompson, Michael Zellers

Absent: Kenneth Scheesley

Others Present: Cody Hoover, Borough Manager; Abbey Welker, Mayor; Denise Dieter, Esquire, Solicitor

Council President: Councilor Zellers stated an Executive Session was held at 6:00 p.m. to discuss personnel and property matters.

Council President Zellers presented the February 8, 2021, Minutes. Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve the February 8, 2021, Minutes. Councilor Thompson seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Public Hearing: A public hearing was held to discuss the Cable Franchise Agreement between the Borough of Jersey Shore and Comcast of Southeast Pennsylvania, LLC. After discussion, Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve the Cable Franchise Agreement. Council Barnhart seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Borough Manager: Mr. Hoover presented Ordinance 2021-01 establishing no parking at the intersection of North Cherry Alley and Seminary Street. Councilor Schmouder suggested language be added indicating that the no-parking spot was towards North Main Street. Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve ordinance 2021-01, with the additional language. Councilor Simcox seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 03.08.2021.01 authorizing the execution of the Cable Franchise Agreement. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve Resolution 03.08.2021.01. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 03.08.2021.02 approving submission of a DCED Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant to the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the active transportation plan. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to approve Resolution 03.08.2021.02. Councilor Thompson seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 03.08.2021.03 approving submission of a PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant for the active transportation plan. Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve Resolution 03.08.2021.03. Councilor Thompson seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented Resolution 03.08.2021.04 approving the submission of a Greenway, Trails, And Recreation Program Grant application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority. Councilor Garrett made a Motion to approve Resolution 03.08.2021.04. Councilor Bierly seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented a quote from Toshiba in an average monthly amount of \$217.64. Mr. Hoover stated this was a savings of \$25.54/month compared to our current copier. Councilor Simcox approved the quote from Toshiba in the average monthly amount of \$217.64. Councilor Schmouder seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented two street sweeping quotes: Pine Creek Township: \$139/hour; Doheny Company: \$1,350/day. Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to approve the street sweeping quote from Pine Creek Township. Councilor Garrett seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover presented a request from Revitalize Jersey Shore to hold a community yard sale throughout the Borough on April 10, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Councilor Zellers made a Motion to approve the request from Revitalize Jersey Shore. Councilor Bierly seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hoover stated that the police station improvements were underway and that the security enhancements were ordered and are in the process of being painted and quotes for doors are still being looked into. Mr. Hoover indicated the roof was being repaired due to the rubber deteriorating.

Mayor: Nothing to present at this time.

Borough Solicitor: Nothing to present at this time.

Finance Committee: Council President Zellers presented the March 2021 bills in the amount of \$33,540.70. Councilor Simcox made a Motion to pay the March 2021 bills in the amount of \$33,540.70. Councilor Garrett seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Council President Zellers presented the February 2021 Voya Financial Report.

Police: Councilor Simcox presented the February and March 2021 Commission Reports.

Their next meeting is Monday, April 5, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

TVRPD: Nothing to present at this time.

Highway: Mr. Hoover presented the Highway Report for March 2021.

Personnel: Councilor Barnhart indicated the Personnel Committee recommends hiring Andrew Morgan as a part-time Highway Department and Nathaniel Edkin as an as-needed Highway Department employee, both starting at \$15.31/hour.

Councilor Schmouder made a Motion to hire Andrew Morgan part-time at \$15.31/hour. Councilor Thompson seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Garrett made a Motion to hire Nathaniel Edkin on an as-needed basis at \$15.31/hour. Councilor Barnhart seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Emergency Management: Nothing to present at this time.

Recreation Committee: Councilor Bierly stated the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Jacob's Bike Safety Fair will be held on May 8, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; the Community Pool will open on May 29, 2021 and will be open on weekends until the end of the school year; weekly swims will be held on Thursdays from June through August.

Councilor Bierly indicated the plastics collection for the Trex bench have begun and the bins are located at Lingles, Weis Markets, and the YMCA.

Councilor Bierly stated the pool cleaner is aging and difficult to repair. Councilor Bierly indicated the cost of the new pool cleaner was \$2,699 and the Recreation Committee was requesting the Borough split the cost with the Recreation Committee. Councilor Simcox made a motion to approve the purchase of the new pool cleaner and to split the cost with the Recreation Committee. Councilor Garrett seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7/0.

Their next meeting is April 1, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Commission: Nothing to present at this time.

Codes: Councilor Schmouder presented the Permit Report and Codes Enforcement Report for February 2021.

Building & Grounds Committee: Mr. Hoover stated the lights for the Recycling Center have been ordered and will be erected in the near future.

Councilor Schmouder raised a concern about the new bins at the Recycling Center. Mr. Hoover indicated the office was aware of the situation and that he would be reaching out to Lycoming County.

TVMA: Mr. Hoover presented the January 20 and February 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

Their next meeting is March 17, 2021.

JSJWA: Councilor Schmouder presented the February 15, 2021 monthly and special Meeting Minutes.

Their next meeting is March 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Library: Councilor Schmouder stated the Library is holding a fundraiser and a weekly book sale throughout the month of March to raise funds to replace the roof.


Geisinger J.S. Hospital: Councilor Simcox stated the work on the new helipad has begun.

J.S. YMCA: Nothing to present at this time.

Old Business: Nothing to present at this time.

New Business: Mr. Hoover thanked Janine Mastracco and James Douty for their diligence on getting the Council meeting set up for Zoom.

Adjourn: Councilor Simcox made a Motion to adjourn. Councilor Garrett seconded the Motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

  
Cody L. Hoover, Borough Manager