BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE
COUNCIL MEETING
September 14, 2026
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Scott Bierly, Barbara Schmouder, Crystal Kitchen, Josh, Molly Hollick, Dennis Thompson, Steve Kanski and Jeremy Frantz

Absent:

Others Present: Sean Simcox, Borough Manager and Dance Drier, Esquire, Solicitor and Mayor Lon Myers

Public: Jersey Shore EMS Chief, Casey Lowmiller discussed the equipment they are working on replacing, the decline in volunteers, costs of EMS care provided and the proposed request for funding from their covered municipalities. The funding would go directly to their capital equipment funding only. Council President Schmouder mentioned there would be a Finance Committee Meeting being held on October 5, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

David Ewing spoke about his concerns with the e-bikes that are being operated at high speeds and carelessly on the park trails and roadways. Council President Schmouder mentioned that LRPD is aware of the issue, and they have been responding to calls regarding the e-bikes.

Correspondence: Mr. Simcox presented the thank you letter from the Jersey Shore Branch YMCA regarding the Borough's donation.

Mr. Simcox presented a thank you letter from the Jersey Shore Historical Society regarding the Borough's donation.

Borough Manager: Mr. Simcox presented the Ordinance 2026.09.14.01 regarding the prohibition of the use of shipping containers in the Borough. Councilor Kanski made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026.09.14.01. Councilor Glunk seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Simcox presented the Ordinance 2026.09.14.02 regarding the issuing of "quality of life" tickets and citations for violations. Councilor Bierly made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026.09.14.02. Councilor Kanski seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Simcox presented the JSASH Homecoming parade route letter of request from Laura Eck. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve. Councilor Kitchen seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Mr. Simcox presented the Geisinger request for temporary closure of Thompson Street from Kerr Avenue to Howard Street from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM for their annual Community Block Party and Trunk or Treat. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve. Councilor Glunk seconded the motion.

Mr. Simcox presented the proposed leaf pick-up dates of November 2, 2026 – November 6, 2026, and November 9, 2026 – November 13, 2026. No motion needed

Mr. Simcox presented the Halloween Trick or Treat scheduled for October 31, 2026, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Mayor Myers: Mr. Myers wanted to recognize his brother for his garden behind his house. He has been growing pumpkins and this year he may have one large enough to take to Pittsburgh.

Borough Solicitor: Mr. Drier mentioned he would like to have an executive session after the regular scheduled meeting to discuss conservatorship litigation. Mr. Drier provided Council with a list of rules that do not apply to e-bikes.

Finance Committee: Council President Schmouder presented the September bill report for a total of $84,899.22. Councilor Hollick made a motion to approve. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 8/0.

Council President Schmouder presented the Borough Budget Year to date update.

Council President presented the Cetera report for June.

Their next meeting is on October 5, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. for a budget work session.

Police: Mr. Simcox mentioned the Police Commission authorized the purchase of a marked patrol car.

Their next meeting is Wednesday, October 14, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Public Works: Councilor Bierly presented the September 2026 Public Works Department Monthly Report.

Personnel: Councilor Bierly mentioned Dustin Lyter has been hired as a full-time public works employee.

Emergency Management: Nothing to report currently.

Recreation Committee: Nothing to report currently.

Their next meeting is on October 1, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Commission: Nothing to report.

Codes: Council President Schmouder presented the August 2026 permit and codes report.

Mr. Simcox mentioned the Borough has taken conservatorship of a blighted property and is working on moving forward with the process.

Building & Grounds Committee: Mr. Simcox mentioned the Public Works crew were out until 3:00 AM, helping to clean up from the storm.

TVMA: Council President Schmouder presented the June 17, 2026, report.

Next meeting will be September 16, 2026, at 6:00 pm

JSAJWA: Nothing to report.

Their next meeting is on October 2, 2026, at 8:00 a.m.

Library: Council President Schmouder mentioned the library has hired a new Director.

Jersey Shore Revitalization Committee: Nothing to report.

The next meeting will be September 17, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

Jersey Shore Bicentennial Committee: Nothing to report.

Geisinger J.S. Hospital: Mr. Simcox mentioned during their quarterly meeting they discussed they currently have no open positions, and they are fully staffed. The Thompson Street water issue has been resolved, and they are working on the storm water run-off onto Kendall Ave.

YMCA Advisory Board: Nothing to report.

Combined Public Service Building: Mr. Simcox mentioned they are working on earmark money from Lycoming County for the USDA Block Grant for the Public Works Garage.

Lawshee Run: Mr. Simcox mentioned Lawshee Run was overwhelmed with the rain from the last storm, and it was flowing down Allegheny Street. Mr. Simcox mentioned they will be looking into a hydrological capacity study to avoid being inefficient.

Old Business: Mr. Simcox mentioned there will be a meeting on September 30th from 6pm-8pm, regarding the Lawshee Run Project presented by Larson Design Group.

Councilor Kitchen requested the Fire Committee get together to speak about the potential combination of Fire Companies in the new Combines Public Safety Building.

Fire Committee will meet on September 23, 2026, at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

New Business: Councilor Bierly questioned if the debris from the washout during the last storm had been cleaned up on Locust Street. Mr. Simcox mentioned he would investigate this to see if this has been completed.

Adjourn: Council President Schmouder made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:26 PM.

Sean Simcox
Borough Manager