

JERSEY SHORE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 10, 2013
7:00 PM

Members Present: Kenneth Scheesley, John Pisarcik, Mary Greene, Janet Barnhart, Wade Snyder, Marguerite Dyroff, Deborah Colocino

Members Absent: Sean Simcox

Others Present: Joseph Hamm, Borough Manager; Dennis Buttorff, Mayor; Denise Dieter, Solicitor

Minutes: Councilor Scheesley made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 13, 2013 Council Meeting with corrections, seconded by Councilor Barnhart. Motion carried 7/0.

Public: Denise Hager requested that some regulations be imposed on open campfires in the Borough as they have become a nuisance. Councilor Dyroff assigned the issue to the Codes Committee for further review.

Mr. Hager requested that something be done about the loud music coming from vehicles. Councilor Dyroff asked Chief Hummer to look into the matter.

Councilor Dyroff introduced Jim Douty, the new Borough Zoning Officer, to the public.

Borough Manager: Councilor Scheesley made a motion to pass Ordinance 2013-03, an Ordinance establishing stop signs at the intersection of Seminary St. and Lincoln Ave. and Seminary St. and Calvert St., seconded by Councilor Barnhart. Motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Colocino made a motion to pass Ordinance 2013-04, an Ordinance adopting the 2012 edition of the International Property Maintenance Code, seconded by Councilor Scheesley. Motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Snyder made a motion to pass Resolution 06.10.2013.01, authorizing the TVRPD to enforce all Ordinances, Codes and Regulations in the Jersey Shore Borough pertaining to summary nuisance violations, seconded by Councilor Colocino. Motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Snyder made a motion to pass Resolution 06.10.2013.02, transferring all of the Borough's Sewer Department Employees to TVMA effective July 1, 2013, seconded by Councilor Scheesley. Motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Scheesley made a motion to pass Resolution 06.10.2013.03, an application for \$3,520.00 of Liquid Fuels County Aid, seconded by Councilor Pisarcik. Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm stated that the 2012 Audit has been completed.

Mr. Hamm stated that the appraisal of the Municipal Parking Lot on N. Main Street has been completed.

Mr. Hamm stated that PPL would like to lease parcel #49-366-225.B, a Borough property located off of Culvert St., for \$500.00/month. The lease would be for a minimum of one (1) year, with the option to extend. Councilor Colocino made a motion to allow PPL to lease lot #49-366-225.B from February 2014- April 2015 with the option to extend, for \$500.00/month, seconded by Councilor Scheesley. Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm stated that PPL needs approval to install a new telephone pole on Locust Street in front of the Jersey Shore Elementary School. Councilor Colocino made a motion to allow PPL to install a new pole on Locust St., seconded by Councilor Barnhart. Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm stated that the Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy and the James V. Brown Library have invited all Borough Council members to the Key '93 celebration event on Friday, June 21, 2013 from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Mr. Hamm stated that he has been receiving a lot of calls from energy brokers lately and requested direction from Council on this matter. Councilor Pisarcik recommended that Mr. Hamm check the PPL website for all the energy providers and their rates. Mr. Douty recommended looking into working with the Avion Energy Group. This company collects information from the consumer, puts the account out to bid for free and then reports back with the lowest bidders. Council decided to contact Avion to see if they could broker a better energy rate for the Borough.

Councilor Colocino made a motion to make Marguerite Dyroff, Kenneth Scheesley and Joseph Hamm signatories on the Borough's Tax Anticipation Line of Credit with Jersey Shore State Bank, seconded by Councilor Pisarcik. Motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Hamm stated that the Jersey Shore Town Meeting will be making some repairs to three (3) or four (4) broken underground Main Service Wires on the Recreation Field. Town Meeting has requested that the Borough provide a backhoe and operator to do the dig if they cannot secure one themselves. Mr. Edwards stated that the work can be completed in one (1) day, but that it must be done over the weekend because of their electricians' schedule. Council agreed to allow a Borough employee to use the backhoe to do the work over the weekend, as long as Jersey Shore Town Meeting agreed to make a donation in kind to the Borough to cover the expense.

Mayor: Mr. Buttorff stated that he is pursuing multiple grants for the Public River Access Project and Tree Revitalization in the Borough.

Solicitor: Ms. Dieter stated that there is an issue with the title on one of the properties that was surveyed for the Boat Launch Project. The property is owned by Jersey Shore State Bank, but it appears as though a portion of the property was never deeded to anyone. If this is the case, Jersey Shore State Bank will have to quiet title the land and the Borough will have to pay for any costs associated with this.

In addition, Ms. Dieter stated that the Hazel Alley Extension needs to be vacated for the Boat Launch Project. She will try to have that Ordinance prepared for the Council meeting in July.

Finance: Councilor Colocino made a motion to pay the bills for June in the amounts of: General Fund for \$27,229.97, Swimming Pool for \$4,977.67, Liquid Fuels for \$2,600.00, and Act 13 for \$14,525.00 for a grand total of \$49,332.64, seconded by Councilor Scheesley. Motion carried 7/0.

Police: Chief Hummer stated that the TVRPD purchased two (2) car cameras.

Chief Hummer stated that they are getting a good response to the warnings tickets being issued for nuisance ordinance violations. In most cases, there has not been a need to issue a citation for nuisance ordinance violations.

Highway Committee: Councilor Scheesley stated the Brush Area sign has arrived and should be installed later this week.

Mr. Hamm stated that there haven't been any issues associated with the Brush Area being locked up. There was one (1) complaint, but most taxpayers understand the reason for it and agree that it was necessary.

Councilor Scheesley stated that Mr. Wool would like to see a 15 minute parking restriction imposed on the eastern side of Pennsylvania Ave. near Wool's Hardware store. Ms. Dieter will work on preparing an Ordinance for the next Council meeting.

Chief Hummer requested that the police department be provided with a key to the Borough barn in case they need access to the barricades after borough office hours. Councilor Dyroff asked Mr. Hamm to make sure that they receive a key.

Special Purpose: Nothing at this time.

Personnel: Nothing at this time.

Sewer: Councilor Snyder stated that construction on Building 400 is done.

In addition, the tanks are in place, but wiring and testing still needs to be done. Once that has been completed, Building 300 can be finished.

Councilor Snyder also stated that the Nippenose Collection System is approximately 60% done.

Fire Commission: Mr. Buttorff presented the Independent Hose Company May report to Council.

A representative from Citizen's Hose Company presented their May report to Council.

Pool: Mr. Scheesley stated the pool opened on June 1st and sales were phenomenal. Since then, sales have dropped due to poor weather.

Ms. Messersmith stated that there was a small mechanical issue that came up, but that has been fixed.

Recreation: Mr. Buttorff stated the Jersey Shore Triathlon is on June 22, 2013 at 11:00 am.

Mr. Hamm stated that some concerns have been raised about the rough-housing that has been observed at the Thompson Street Park. Mr. Hamm spoke with someone at SEDA-COG and they confirmed that CDBG money could be used to purchase an age limit sign for the Thompson Street Park. Councilor Scheesley made a motion to purchase an age-limit sign using CDBG funds, seconded by Councilor Barnhart. Motion carried 7/0.

Tree Commission: Mr. Buttorff stated that the owner of Santino's wants the two trees in front of his business removed and is willing to pay the bill for it. Councilor Barnhart asked whether there are any plans to replace those trees. Mr. Buttorff stated that the Borough has to wait until funding is available in order to replace any trees.

Codes: Ms. Dieter stated that she received the sample Rental Inspection Ordinances from South Williamsport and Lock Haven today and she will have the Jersey Shore Borough Rental Inspection Licensing Program Ordinance ready for the Council meeting in August. Ms. Dieter would like to meet with the Codes Committee to go over the Ordinance prior to that meeting.

Library: Nothing at this time.

Jersey Shore Borough: Mr. Hamm stated that the final inspection was done on the Thompson Street Park Project, but the Borough was unable to sign off on the project because there is a crack in one of the concrete slabs under the pavilion and all of the bolts to the pavilion were not long enough to ensure structural integrity.

Mr. Hamm stated that the final payments for the Rails to Trails project have been sent to HRI.

Mr. Hamm stated that the Jersey Shore Pine Creek Trail Connector is being awarded the Community Transportation Excellence Award on June 19th in Harrisburg, PA. Mr. Buttorff is attending the event and will be accepting the award on behalf of the Borough. Any Council member interested in attending should let Mr. Buttorff know as soon as possible.

Mr. Buttorff stated that the \$50,000.00 goal for the Public River Access Project has been met.

Mr. Buttorff stated that the Jersey Shore River Town Revitalization Team reviewed the Penn State student's recommendations at the last meeting.

J.S. Hospital: Councilor Simcox was absent.

J.S. YMCA: Laura McMahon stated that today was the first day of camp.

In addition, the YMCA is preparing for the Tiadaghton Run. They expect to have a pretty large group this year.

Old Business: Mr. Hamm is still waiting on a response from Penn-DOT as to why they don't allow C-Braces on the PPL poles on state roads. No action could be taken on this matter.

New Business: Ms. Dieter asked if Council wanted to advertise the Borough Lot. Councilor Colocino made a motion to put the Borough Lot on N. Main Street out for sealed bid. Bids must be received by 4:00 pm on July 8, 2013 and will be opened at the Council meeting on July 8, 2013. Motion was seconded by Councilor Scheesley. Motion carried 7/0.

Councilor Dyroff stated that the Committees need to be revised. Councilor Barnhart was removed from and Councilor Snyder added to the Recreation Committee. The Special Purpose Committee was abolished. Their duties will be absorbed by the Personnel Committee. Councilor Colocino was removed from the Tree Commission. Councilor Greene was removed from and Councilor Barnhart added to the Personnel Committee. Councilor Pisarcik was added to the Codes Committee. Councilor Dyroff was removed from and Councilor Pisarcik added to the Fire Commission.

Adjourn: Councilor Colocino made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Scheesley.

Borough Manager