

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2015

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Public Announcement In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting, of the Borough Council, has been provided to three newspapers and published in the January 15, 2015 issue of the Beach Haven Times.

A meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City was held on the above date in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall. Roll call, followed by a salute to the flag, showed the following to be in attendance:

Councilman F. Hodgson, Councilman Wm. Hodgson, Councilman Klose, Councilwoman Siciliano. Absent - Mayor Connors.

Councilman Russell and Councilman Hartney arrived to the meeting.

Ben Haygood, Regional Outreach Coordinator for Housing and Community Development was present and advised of two new programs available to Sandy survivors.

Council President Hodgson called for approval of the minutes of the reorganization meeting held on January 7, 2015. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, the minutes were approved as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Council president called for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 7, 2015. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the minutes were approved as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Public hearing and final adoption of Ordinance 2015-01, which was read by title only. Motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, and, a vote in the affirmative, the public hearing was opened. With there being no comment from the audience, upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, and, a vote in the affirmative, the public hearing was closed.

Upon a motion by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Hartney, Ordinance 2015-01 was passed on second and final reading:

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2010-08 AND ORDINANCE 2014-04, FIXING AND DETERMINING THE ANNUAL BASE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Surf City, as follows:

SECTION I

	Annual unless otherwise noted
Clerk - Municipal Offices	\$ 2,000. - 35,000.
Water/Sewer Foreman	\$ 12,500. - 80,000.
Police Captain	\$ 50,000. - 135,000.
Police Lieutenant	\$ 45,000. - 130,000.
Police Sergeant	\$ 40,000. - 130,000.
Patrolman	\$ 32,000. - 120,000.

SECTION II

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION III

If any word, phrase, clause, section or provision of this ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal or unconstitutional, such word, phrase, clause, section or provision shall be severable from the balance of the ordinance and the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall take effect on the day of its final adoption.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Public hearing and final adoption of Ordinance 2015-02, which was read by title only. Motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mrs. Siciliano, and, a vote in the affirmative, the public hearing was opened. With there being no comment from the audience, upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, and, a vote in the affirmative, the public hearing was closed.

Upon a motion by Mr. Klose, seconded by Mr. Russell, Ordinance 2015-02 was passed on second and final reading:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, 2000" AS THE SAME IN CHAPTER 3 PERTAINS TO "PERSONNEL POLICIES"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Surf City, as follows:

SECTION I

	Annual unless otherwise noted
Clerk - Municipal Offices	\$ 2,000. - 35,000.
Water/Sewer Foreman	\$ 12,500. - 80,000.
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SECTION IV

This ordinance shall take effect on the day of its final adoption.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Resolution authorizing an amendment to the Temporary Capital Budget for the inclusion of the repair and replacement of various bulkheads, resurfacing of various roads and repair and rehabilitation to Public Works' facilities. Upon a motion by Mrs. Siciliano, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the following resolution was adopted:

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Introduction of Ordinance 2015-03, which was read by title only, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OF VARIOUS BULKHEADS IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY AND APPROPRIATING \$100,000 THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$95,000 IN GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY TO FINANCE THE SAME.

and moved that same be given its first reading. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mrs. Siciliano, Ordinance 2015-03 was introduced and passed on first reading and will be considered for final passage, after a public hearing, to be held on March 11, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Introduction of Ordinance 2015-04, which was read by title only, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REHABILITATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FACILITIES AND APPROPRIATING \$450,000 THEREFOR FROM THE BOROUGH'S RESERVE FOR REHABILITATION OF PUBLIC WORKS FACILITIES IN THE BOROUGH CAPITAL FUND.

and moved that same be given its first reading. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, Ordinance 2015-04 was introduced and passed on first reading and will be considered for final passage, after a public hearing, to be held on March 11, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Introduction of Ordinance 2015-05, which was read by title only, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE RESURFACING OF VARIOUS ROADS AND APPROPRIATING \$300,000 THEREFOR FROM THE BOROUGH'S RESERVE FOR RESURFACING OF VARIOUS ROADS IN THE BOROUGH CAPITAL FUND.

and moved that same be given its first reading. Upon a motion by Mrs. Siciliano, seconded by Mr. Russell, Ordinance 2015-05 was introduced and passed on first reading and will be considered for final passage, after a public hearing, to be held on March 11, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Resolution authorizing renewal of an agreement with the Borough of Ship Bottom for tax assessing services. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2015-38

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A
SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF SHIP BOTTOM
FOR TAX ASSESSING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. authorizes the Borough of Surf City to enter into a contract for the provision of certain governmental services with the Borough of Ship Bottom; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Governing Body to authorize the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Ship Bottom for Tax Assessing Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

That the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Ship Bottom for Tax Assessing Services in accordance with the provisions of law. A copy of this resolution and the agreement referenced herein shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection at the Municipal Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

This agreement shall be in effect from January 1, 2015 until December 31, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Resolution authorizing an agreement with the Borough of Ship Bottom for Tax Collection Services. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2015-41

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A
SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF SHIP BOTTOM
FOR TAX COLLECTOR SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. authorizes the Borough of Surf City to enter into a contract for the provision of certain governmental services with the Borough of Ship Bottom; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Governing Body to authorize the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Ship Bottom for Tax Collector Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

That the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Ship Bottom for Tax Collector Services in accordance with the provisions of law. A copy of this resolution and the agreement referenced herein shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection at the Municipal Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

This agreement shall be in effect from February 1, 2015 until January 31, 2016.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Resolution authorizing payment of the DEP - Site Remediation LSRP Permit in the amount of \$2,880.00. Upon a motion by Mr. Klose, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2015-37

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the authorization be and is hereby given to proceed with payment of the annual DEP - Site Remediation LSRP Permit in the amount of \$2,880.00.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Resolution approving an application for regular probationary membership in the Surf City Volunteer Fire Co. as submitted by Richard Waters. Councilman Russell and Councilman Hartney must recuse themselves from this item of business in accordance with State Statutes. Upon a motion by Mr. Klose, seconded by Mrs. Siciliano, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2015-36

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the application for membership in the Surf City Volunteer Fire Co. as submitted below, is hereby approved:

Regular Probationary Membership - Richard A. Waters

Roll Call Vote: Ayes -F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Reports:

Chief Financial Officer's Report for the month of December, 2014
Municipal Court Report for the month of December, 2014

Committee Reports:

Councilman Russell, Chairman of Public Property and Lifeguards provided a report on lifeguard and public property activities in preparation of the summer season.

Councilman Wm. Hodgson, Chairman of Police gave the Statistical Report of Operations for the month of January, 2015 and read a letter from Regina Hudson commending Ptl. Rible.

Councilwoman Siciliano, Chairwoman of Streets and Roads thanked the Public Works for a great job during the last snow and advised that the pot holes will be addressed, when the materials are available. She also advised that she will be attending the road meeting with the County and asked that if any member of the Governing Body would like a matter addressed to please let her know. She also provided an update on the progress of the bridge reconstruction.

Councilman Hartney, Chairman of Beaches provided a report on the progress of the Beach project and provided more information on the bridge reconstruction project. He advised that Gabriella Hartney received her Gold Award from the Girl Scouts for the project she performed in Surf City this past summer. He commented on the Township of Long Beach creating a "Creative Placemaking Plan" and requesting support from the Island municipalities by affirming the role of the arts. He motioned resolution 2015-43, as attached hereto as Schedule 1, affirming the role of the arts, seconded by Mr. Russell.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Councilman Klose, Chairman of Water/Sewer provided a report on the Well #6 pump and motioned resolution 2015-42 authorizing the necessary repairs, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2015-42

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that authorization be given to proceed with the repairs to the Well #6 pumping equipment in the approximate amount of \$10,000.00 in accordance with a quote received from AC Schultes.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Councilman F. Hodgson, Chairman of Sanitation and Finance gave the Sanitation and Recycling Report for the month of January, 2015. He also asked for resolution 2015-40, which was adopted upon a motion by Mr. Wm. Hodgson seconded by Mr. Russell, as follows:

RESOLUTION 2015-40

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the salary for Brian Miller, laborer in the Public Works' Dept. be and is hereby corrected to reflect \$20,800 per annum, retroactive to January 1, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Comments from the Audience:

A gentlemen asked about the time frame for completion of the bridge project. Brief discussion ensued regarding the progression of the project and some of the costs.

Correspondence:

Action Required:

Correspondence from Ptl. Sarah Collins regarding the Borough's "Paint the Town Pink" campaign and proposed plans for the campaign. Upon a motion by Mr. Hartney, seconded by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, request for support of the campaign was approved.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

Correspondence from the Honorable John Ducey, Mayor of the Township of Brick regarding the establishment of a homeless trust fund by the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders was acknowledged.

No Action Required:

Resolution received from the Borough of Beach Haven, the Borough of Beachwood, the Township of Long Beach and the Township of Ocean.

Comments from the Audience:

Susanne Gilbert commented on the Borough having one of the worst websites and asked why taxes and water/sewer could not be paid online. She also asked why we do not accept credit or debit cards for payment of badges. She also commented on the attitude of the beach badge seller.

Rosemary Fallar asked where the nearest ATM machine is located and if we are assisting with the funding of the island bus.

Bill Resolution: Upon a motion by Mr. Klose, seconded by Mr. Russell, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, N.J. that the appurtenances known as "Scheduled Payment Reports" containing vouchers to be paid in the total amounts of:

Water & Sewer -	\$	115,274.31		
Current -		2,131,982.64		
Payroll Account -		198,356.04		
Dog License Account -		37.20		
Ice Cream Vendor Acct. -			.00	
Escrow Release -				.00
Tax Certificate Acct. -			<u>.00</u>	
				\$2,445,650.19

are hereby ordered paid; and, the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to draw an order upon the Borough Treasurer for same.

Approved: Councilman Russell
Councilman Klose
Councilman Hartney

Dated: February 11, 2015

/s/ Leonard T. Connors, Jr., Mayor

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hartney, F. Hodgson, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None.

With there being no further business to come before the Governing Body, upon a motion by Mrs. Siciliano, seconded by Mr. Hartney, and a vote in the affirmative, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY P. MADONNA, RMC/MMC/QPA/CPM
Municipal Clerk/Borough Administrator