

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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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 12, 2017 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 Hadash, Councilman Hartney, Councilman Wm. Hodgson, Councilman Klose, Councilman Russell, Councilwoman Siciliano and Mayor F. Hodgson.

Mayor Hodgson called for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 9, 2017. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, the minutes were approved as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hadash, Hartney, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None. Abstained – none.

Mayor Hodgson called for approval of the minutes of the committee meeting held on August 23, 2017. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, the minutes were approved as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hadash, Hartney, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None. Abstained – none.

Resolution authorizing the application for a 2018 Department of Transportation Trust Fund Grant to reconstruct and resurface the 300 block of No 5th Street, No. 6th Street or North 7th Street, in that order dependent on funding. Upon a motion by Mrs. Siciliano, seconded by Mr. Russell, the schedule attached hereto was approved.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hadash, Hartney, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None. Abstained – none

Resolution amending Schedule A, B and C of the Construction Code Shared Services Agreement, effective as of August 14, 2017. Upon a motion by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Russell, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2017-113

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City has entered into a contract with the municipalities of Beach Haven, Harvey Cedars and Barnegat Light to jointly employ a Construction Code Official; and

WHEREAS, certain amendments need to be made to Schedule A, B and C of the

agreement as attached hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, that the attached Schedule A, B and C is hereby approved, effective as of August 14, 2017,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Boroughs of Beach Haven, Harvey Cedars and Barnegat Light.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hadash, Hartney, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None. Abstained – none.

Resolution authorizing release of curb bonds posted by Eugene Brady - 2316 N. Central Avenue in the amount of \$12,600 and Toni Crosby - 323 N. 4th Street in the amount of \$2,400. Upon a motion by Mr. Klose, seconded by Mr. Russell, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2017- 114

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinances 04-09 and 04-11, a performance guarantee may be posted with the Borough for permanent curb installation at the time of exchange of ownership.

WHEREAS, the below listed person(s) posted a guarantee in the corresponding amount prior to the exchange of ownership;

WHEREAS, The Zoning Official made a final inspection and approved same to be in conformance with the Borough ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that:

The following guarantee may be released:

Eugene Brady - 2316 N. Central Avenue in the amount of \$12,600.

Toni Crosby - 323 N. 4th Street in the amount of \$2,400.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hadash, Hartney, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None. Abstained – none.

Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean, for participation in a program called the Prosecutors Drug Recognition Expert Callout Program. Upon a motion by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2017-115

WHEREAS, the 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 County of Ocean; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5 requires that such a contract be authorized by resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough of Surf City to authorize the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean for the Prosecutors Drug Recognition Expert Callout Program.

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

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into and execute a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean for the Prosecutors Drug Recognition Expert Callout Program, in accordance with the terms of said agreement attached hereto and made a part hereof as Schedule A.
2. A copy of this agreement shall be kept on file and be available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.
3. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County of Ocean

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Hadash, Hartney, Wm. Hodgson, Klose, Russell, Siciliano. Nays - None. Abstained – none.

Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean, for participation in a program called the Prosecutors Office Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program. Upon a motion by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Klose, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2017-116

WHEREAS, the County of Ocean has created and established a program to assist municipalities through a program called the Prosecutor's Office Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program; and

WHEREAS, the 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 County of Ocean; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5 requires that such a contract be authorized by resolution;
and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City wishes to enter into an agreement with the County of Ocean to provide assistance in the identification and removal of intoxicated drivers from the roadways; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City are hereby authorized and directed to enter into and execute a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean, for participation in a program called the Prosecutor's Office Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program, as more specifically set forth in the attached agreement.

2. A copy of this Agreement shall be kept on file and be available for public inspection at the office of the Municipal Clerk.

3. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to:
Ocean County Prosecutor's Office

Resolution expressing continued opposition to the renovation and addition plans to the Ethel A. Jacobsen School and the Referendum of the Board of Education of the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District. Upon a motion by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Russell, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2017-123

Whereas, at a regular meeting at the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City held on June 14, 2017, The governing body expressed their opposition to the proposed renovation and addition plans to the Ethel A Jacobsen school; and

Whereas, The governing body also expressed their opposition to the Long Beach Island consolidated school district's plans to hold a referendum, in an effort to obtain the continually escalating funding needed to pay for the renovations and addition; and

Whereas, the referendum is scheduled for and will be voted on by the registered voters of the district on September 26, 2017;

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City unanimously continues to and vehemently opposes the expansion plans and the referendum to be held by the Board of Education of the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District.

Mayor Hodgson and Council commented on the initial projected cost being close to 9 million dollars. Now the cost is being estimated near 18 million and increasing without consideration to the cost of flood proofing, a bus garage, and to move the existing storm drain. Enrollment is at its lowest with a study projecting those numbers to decrease in the future.

Reports:

Chief Financial Officer's Report for the month of July 2017.
Municipal Court Report for the month of July 2017.
Federal Flood Insurance Program

Committee Reports:

Councilman Hadash, Chairman of Sanitation gave the Sanitation and Recycling Report for the month of August. He motioned Resolution 2017- 120, seconded by Mr. Hartney, as follows.

RESOLUTION 2017-120

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Arthur Yahn be and is hereby appointed a full time/with benefits Laborer in the Water/Sewer and Public Works Department effective as of this date at the rate of \$11.50 per hour.

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

Mr. Hadash also motioned Resolution 2017-121, seconded by Mr. Russell, as follows.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following listed individuals be and are hereby appointed as seasonal/on call Laborers in the Public Works Department at the rate of \$11.50 per hour. Said appointments are on an as needed basis.

Alex Buck – effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Davonte Olivio - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Terry Brennan - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Joshua Pierce - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Sean Brazill - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Richard Zennario - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Jason LaVoie - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Gary Ruhmshottel - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017
Ryan John Boyd - effective October 1, 2017 and terminating October 31, 2017

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

Councilman Russell, Chairman of Public Property and Lifeguards, provided a report on lifeguard activities for the month. He also motioned Resolution 2017- 118, seconded by Mrs. Siciliano, as follows:

RESOLUTION 2017-118

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following listed individuals are appointed as employees in the Lifeguard Department at the corresponding weekly rate of pay. Said appointments shall terminate on September 12, 2017.

LIFEGUARDS

1st YEAR \$400.00

Ciattarelli, Matthew - effective as of August 1, 2017

9TH YEAR \$520.00

Histings, Brittany - effective as of August 17, 2017

10th YEAR \$520.00

McMenamin, Connor - effective as of August 4, 2017

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

Mr. Russell received a letter from a Mr. Rory Tenant commending lifeguard Laura Rothstein on her swift action during an ocean rescue.

Councilman Wm. Hodgson, Chairman of Police provided a statistical report of operations for the month of August 2017. He also commented on some of the successful events throughout the month of August spearheaded by the Surf City Police Department.

Councilwoman Siciliano, Chairwoman of Streets and Roads reported on pot hole patching and the repairing of ditches. She commented that a committee meeting held with various residents of 5th Street resulted in productive dialog in relation to nuisance flooding. Mrs. Siciliano advised that the resurfacing project going from N 11th Street to N 5th Street on Barnegat Avenue will begin soon. The project should last about two months. Residents can expect crews to work during the week from 7:00 am until 3:30 pm.

Councilman Hartney, Chairman of Beaches provided a brief report on the beach badge sales, beach operations, fire response calls and Barnegat Bay activities. Mr. Hartney also mentioned that dune fencing will be going up soon. The beach replenishment is going out to bid soon. He motioned Resolution 2017-117, seconded by Mr. Russell, as follows:

RESOLUTION 2017- 117

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that authorization be and is hereby given to proceed with the purchase of a John Deere Loader from the NJPA Cooperative purchasing in the amount of \$125,390.47.

Councilman Klose, Chairman of Water/Sewer reported on the repair of the split case and the painting of the water tower. He motioned Resolution 2017-119, seconded by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, as follows.

RESOLUTION 2017- 119

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that authorization be and is hereby given to proceed with the rebuilding of the split case pump for the Water Department in the approximate amount of \$5,985.00.

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

Mr. Klose also motioned for Resolution 2017-122, seconded by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, as follows.

RESOLUTION 2017- 122

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that authorization be and is hereby given to proceed with the painting and cleaning of the water tower in the approximate amount of \$25,000 in accordance of the quote received by the Borough Engineer from U.S. Tank Painting, Inc.

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

Comments from the Audience:

Jean Daniels of 215 N 18th Street spoke to request a set flags be used by the Beach Patrol to create a 20 foot boundary between swimmers and surfers. She expressed her concern for beach safety. Councilman Russell advised that he will revisit this request with Lifeguard Captain Mark DiLeo.

Correspondence:

Action Required:

Correspondence from Sgt. Sarah Roe advising of the Third Annual Trunk or Treat event to be held in the Surf City Firehouse parking lot on Saturday, October 28, 2017. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the request was approved.

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

Correspondence from Lisa Piero requesting a refund for seasonal beach badges purchased and not used due to health reasons. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the request was denied.

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

Correspondence from Kevin Kelly requesting permission to again allow their Scout Troop to plant dune grass on October 14th and 15th and to campfire and pitch tents on the beach. Upon a motion by Mr. Hartney, seconded by Mr. Klose, the request was approved.

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

Correspondence from the Surf City Volunteer Fire Company requesting permission to install reflective markers on the fire hydrants within Surf City. Upon a motion by Mr. Klose, seconded by Mr. Hadash, the request was approved.

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

Correspondence from Steven Attarian requesting permission to purchase a memorial bench for placement in honor of his wife. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Hartney, the request was approved.

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

Comments from the Audience:

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH 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	\$ 74,736.21
Current	\$ 742,285.76
Payroll Account	\$ 354,559.49
Dog License Account	\$ 0.00
Ice Cream Vendor	\$ 0.00
Account	
Escrow Release	\$ 15,000.00
Tax Certificate Amount	\$ 0.00
Total	<hr/> \$1,186,581.46

are hereby ordered paid; and the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to draw an order upon the B

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Borough Treasurer for same.

Approved: Councilman Klose
Councilman Russell
Councilman Hartney

Dated: September 13, 2017

/s/ Francis R. Hodgson, Sr., Mayor

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTINE HANNEMANN
Deputy Municipal Clerk, RMC/CMR