

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 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 Hartney, Councilman F. Hodgson, Councilman Wm. Hodgson, Councilman Klose, Councilman Russell, Councilwoman Siciliano, Mayor Connors.

Mayor Connors called for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 10, 2015. Upon a motion by Mr. F. Hartney, seconded by Mr. Klose, the minutes were approved as presented.

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

Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 2015-07, which was read by title only, as follows:

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 4 PERTAINS TO "POLICE REGULATIONS", CHAPTER 16 PERTAINS TO "SEWER AND WATER" AND CHAPTER 17 PERTAINS TO "SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT"

and moved that same be given its first reading. Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Klose, Ordinance 2015-07 was introduced and passed on first reading and will be considered for final passage, after a public hearing, to be held on August 12, 2015.

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

Each member of the Governing Body acknowledged their receipt and reading of the 2014 Audit comments and recommendations and the group affidavit was executed. Upon a motion by Mr. Hartney, seconded by Mr. Klose, the following resolution was adopted:

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT RESOLUTION 2015-94

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

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WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2014 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report Audit and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations", as evidenced by the group affidavit form of governing body attached hereto: and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27 BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

WHEREAS, a corrective action plan, if applicable, outlining actions to be taken to correct the item listed in the comments and recommendations of the Auditor has been prepared in accordance with the law and is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

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 Marie Theresa Peters. Councilman Russell and Councilman Hartney must recuse themselves from this item of business in accordance with State Statutes. Upon a motion by Mr. F. Hodgson, seconded by Mrs. Siciliano, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 2015-90

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 - Marie Theresa Peters

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

Resolution approving the application for an on-premise cash 50/50 raffle as submitted by the Surf City Volunteer Fire Co. # 1 for games to be held on July 31, 2015. 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 2015-91

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the application for an on-premise cash 50/50 raffle license as submitted by Surf City Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, ID#485-9-17286, for raffle to be held on July 31, 2015 at the Fire House, be and is hereby approved and the Municipal Clerk is authorized to issue License RL 15-02

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Fee for said license be and is hereby waived in accordance with Ordinance 95-4 of this Municipality.

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

Reports:

Chief Financial Officer's Report for the month of May, 2015.
Municipal Court Report for the month of May, 2015.

Committee Reports:

Council President F. Hodgson - Finance and Sanitation provided a report on the unfortunate accident yesterday and motioned Resolution 2015-93, seconded by Mr. Hartney

RESOLUTION 2015-93

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Jason Magee be and is hereby appointed as seasonal laborer in the Public Works Dept. on a part time, as needed basis, at the rate of \$10.00 per hour terminating on September 30, 2015.

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

He also commented on the need to hire additional help in the Municipal offices and motioned Resolution 2015-96, seconded by Mr. Russell.

RESOLUTION 2015-96

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following individuals be and are hereby appointed part-time clerks in the borough offices, on an as needed basis, with no benefits, effective as of July 8, 2015 at the rate of \$12.00 per hour.

Christine Hannemann
Karen Dzienis

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

At this point, Council President Hodgson provided the Sanitation and Recycling Report for the month of June, 2015.

Councilman J. Russell - Public Property and Lifeguards was happy to announce the new shower, water fountain and foot washing apparatus has been installed at the bay bathing beach. He also provided a report on lifeguard and additional public property activities and motioned Resolution 2015-92, seconded by Mr. Klose.

RESOLUTION 2015-92

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following listed individuals are appointed as employees in the Lifeguard Department effective, as of this date at the corresponding weekly rate of pay, pending satisfactory approval of a physical. Said appointments shall terminate on September 8, 2015.

LIFEGUARDS

1ST YEAR \$400.00

JOHN, CONNOR

12TH YEAR \$560.00

GORDON, SEAN

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

Councilman Wm. Hodgson - Police provided the statistical report of operations for the month of June, 2015 and read a letter from a woman who lost her ring on the beach to have same found by Sergeant Giberson one week later.

Councilwoman J. Siciliano - Streets and Roads provided a report on the resurfacing of Sunset Avenue, Shore Avenue and Long Beach Blvd.

Councilman P. Hartney - Beaches and Environmental provided the report on the bay environmental project and his proposal to petition the Army Corps of Engineers to construct a handicapped ramp at the entrance of South 3rd Street. Discussion regarding his proposal was discussed by the Governing Body with no member in objection. Councilman Hartney provided a report of beach badges sales and motioned Resolution 2015-95, seconded by Mr. Russell.

RESOLUTION 2015-95

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following listed individual is appointed seasonal employee in the Bathing Beach Department, effective as of the date noted, and shall terminate on September 8, 2015, at the corresponding rate of pay.

FILL-IN ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR Effective as of July 8, 2015

Vollmer, Nikolle - \$10.50 per hour as Asst. Supervisor/\$8.73 per hour as checker/seller

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

Councilman J. Klose - Water/Sewer reported that all is working fine.

Comments from the Audience: none

Correspondence:

Action Required:

Correspondence from Cathy Moeller requesting permission to hold a charity bicycle ride on September 27, 2015 for a young girl with Downs Syndrome. It was noted that we can not stop someone from riding on the streets.

Correspondence from Mark Horowitz requesting permission to purchase a memorial bench for placement on N. 1st Street in honor of his friend and neighbor, Michael Bevan of Surf City, was approved.

Correspondence from the Borough of Ship Bottom requesting permission to allow their season boat ramp pass holders to utilize the Surf City Ramp, during various events being held at their boat ramp. Upon a motion by Mr. Hartney, seconded by Mr. Russell, the request was denied:

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

No Action Required:

Resolutions received from the County of Ocean.

Comments from the Audience: none

Bill Resolution: Upon a motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mrs. Siciliano, 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 -	\$	50,580.39	
Current -		621,052.41	
Payroll Account -		261,216.49	
Dog License Account -		2.40	
Ice Cream Vendor Acct. -			.00
Escrow Release -			1,420.69
Tax Certificate Acct. -		<u>34,449.28</u>	
	\$		968,721.66

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

Approved: Councilman Klose
Councilman Russell
Councilman Hartney

Dated: July 8, 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 Mr. Hartney, seconded by Mr. Russell and, a vote in the affirmative, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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