

BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES for WEDNESDAY, October 4, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
1099 Ocean Avenue, Sea Bright Municipal Offices, second floor conference room

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Verification of compliance with *the Open Public Meetings Act*

The Special Events Committee of the Borough of Sea Bright stands in compliance with New Jersey's Open Public Meetings Act, New Jersey Statutes Annotated, Chapter 10, Sections 4 through 6, having notified the Asbury Park Press and The Link News of the date, time, and location of this meeting, having filed Notice with the Borough Clerk, and having posted Notice in the Borough Office and on the Borough website.

Attendance Roll Call

Present: Captain John Arias, Sea Bright business owner Melissa D'Anna, Chief Brett Friedman, Councilwoman Heather Gorman, Registered Environmental Health Specialist from Monmouth County Regional Health Commission #1 Greg Hawriluk, Sea Bright resident Susana Markson, Committee Secretary Candace Mitchell, Borough Clerk Christine Pfeiffer, Public Works Deputy Director Robert Smith

Not Present: Mayor Brian Kelly, Recreation Director Don Klein

Approval of September 6, 2023 Minutes

Chris Pfeiffer offered a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Captain Arias, and the motion carried upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Arias, D'Anna, Friedman, Gorman, Hawriluk, Markson, Mitchell, Pfeiffer, Smith

Nays: none

GENERAL BUSINESS

Special Event Permit Application

Fall Local Watersport Lovers' Party with beach clean-up and bonfire, Saturday, November 4, 2023, 6:30 p.m., public beach south of Driftwood Cabana Club, 50 - 60 participants; no cooked food except s'mores over the fire

Applicant is applying to Fire Marshal for a Bonfire Permit.

Contact: Cynthia Aylward, 76 East River Road, Rumson, caa103@gmail.com

After discussion it was decided that the party and bonfire should be held at the main municipal beach instead of south of Driftwood Cabana Club due to parking and lighting concerns.

Chief Friedman offered a motion to approve the application, with a second offered by Councilwoman Gorman. The motion was carried upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Arias, D'Anna, Friedman, Gorman, Hawriluk, Markson, Mitchell, Pfeiffer, Smith

Nays: none

Special Event Permit Application

Ancient Order of Hibernians 17th Polar Plunge for Catholic Education, Sunday, February 4, 2024, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm, (in water 1:00 pm,) @700 participants/attendees

Contact: Jim Shaw, 50 Pearl St. Ste. E, Middletown, NJ 07748, aohpolarplunge@yahoo.com

Mr. Shaw will be coordinating with the Police Department, Public Works Department, and EMS.

Candace Mitchell offered a motion to approve the application, with a second offered by Chief Friedman. The motion was carried upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Arias, D'Anna, Friedman, Gorman, Hawriluk, Markson, Mitchell, Pfeiffer, Smith

Nays: none

OTHER BUSINESS

A request was made by special event permit-holder Julian Garcia for an alternate date for his film shoot due to weather concerns for September 23rd. The Committee members held a voice vote to approve the new date, October 15th (rain date October 21st.) The vote was unanimous.

A request was made the day before our meeting by Sarah Lown of Commvault Company for two company beach clean-ups. A clean-up would be held on October 20th (rain date October 27th.) 15 to 20 employees would participate. A second employee clean-up would be held on October 23rd (rain date October 24th.) 10 employees would participate in the second clean-up. The Committee suggested focusing the clean-ups from Anchorage Beach and north because the more southward beaches already have clean-ups scheduled. The Committee members held a voice vote to approve, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Chief Friedman gave a positive report on the car show that took place on September 16th. He said that everything went very well, the event brought a lot of people to Sea Bright, it was a lot of fun, and perhaps there will be two car shows next year now that this one was a complete success.

Melissa D'Anna reported on her event, the Annual Foam Board Face Off! Fund raiser for Associated Humane Societies in Tinton Falls, which was held on September 9th at the Anchorage Beach. Aside from the post storm rough surf and the trash on the beach that needed a thorough clean-up before the event could start (The condition of the beach was a result of the big storm that had occurred shortly before,) the event was very successful. The turn-out was better than expected.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The next meeting of the Special Events Committee is scheduled for November 1, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

As there was no other business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m. upon a motion by Candace Mitchell, a second by Councilwoman Gordan, and a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Candace B. Mitchell
Special Events Secretary