

**MINUTES  
WORKSHOP MEETING  
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT**

**NOVEMBER 13, 2024 (Wednesday)**

**SEA BRIGHT, NEW JERSEY**

**TO ATTEND THIS MEETING REMOTELY PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING:**

<https://meet.goto.com/271486981>

**OR DIAL:** 872-240-3212

**Access Code:** 271-486-981

**Mayor Kelly** called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and requested those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Mayor Kelly** read the following Compliance Statement:

**COMPLIANCE STATEMENT (N.J.S.A. 10:4-18)**

**Good Morning Ladies and Gentlemen. This Meeting Is Now Called to Order: In Line With The Borough Of Sea Bright's Longstanding Policy Of Open Government, And In Compliance With The "Open Public Meetings Act" I Wish To Advise You That Adequate Notice Of This Regularly Scheduled Meeting Was Sent to the Asbury Park Press and other local newspapers on January 8, 2024. In each instance, the Date, Time, And Location of This Meeting Were Provided in the Notice. This Meeting Is Open to The Public."**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Brian P. Kelly  
Councilmember's Erwin Bieber, William J. Keeler (arrived late),  
John M. Lamia, Jr., Marc A. Leckstein

**ABSENT:** Councilmembers Samuel A. Catalano, Heather Gorman

**OTHERS:** Administrator Rachel Giolitto, Attorney Richard Shaklee,  
Engineer Greg Blash, Clerk Christine Pfeiffer

**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE: (limited to 3 minutes)**

The Public Comment portion of this meeting allows members of the audience to bring their concerns or comments to the Mayor and Council's attention. Pursuant to Borough Ordinance 3-2011, a member of the public who wishes to speak shall give his/her name and address for the record and may have up to three minutes to state his/her comments to the Mayor and Council as a Body. If additional time or information is requested, an appointment can be made with the Administrator's office during regular business hours.

Ira Schussheim, resident, expressed his intense displeasure with JCP&L's response to the power outage on Monday – it is inexcusable. He urged the Governing Body to do something to make this right. Mayor Kelly stated that we have a meeting scheduled with JCP&L to discuss the infrastructure in Sea Bright as this is a serious public safety issue.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**SUBJECT:** Capital Projects Update  
- Redevelopment Update

**ACTION:** Administrator Giolitto provided updates on various capital projects - the work on the utility poles on Peninsula Avenue began yesterday. Borough Engineer Greg Blash will be accepting quotes by Friday for the pedestrian ramp on Anchorage Beach and the manhole by Rum Runner. We received bids for the Imbrie Place sanitary lining project and will be awarding the contract at Tuesday's meeting. The 2024 and 2025 Road Improvement Project roads are still with the DOT for approval. We received the soil report for the new DPW building and will now do a structural review and submit plans to CAFRA which Borough Engineer Greg Blash is working on. There will also be an internal meeting with Public Works to review the plans of the building. Ms. Giolitto also provided an update on the redevelopment project – there have been concerns from residents in the redevelopment area regarding dust, noise, and vibrations. The developer needed to provide a better watering system and they brought a water truck on to the site last Friday. The crushing of the concrete should be completed in about two weeks. The bulkhead will also begin shortly but the vibration monitoring is in place. Updates will be posted to our website and any complaints or concerns can be directed to the Borough Administrator. Ms. Giolitto has been in discussion with the businesses and contractors regarding the parking on the side streets to keep communication open.

**\*8:40am Councilman Keeler arrived.**

**SUBJECT:** Public Safety & Public Works Updates  
- JCP&L Outage

**ACTION:** Police Chief Friedman reported 506 calls for service for the month of October - it was a busy month including utility pole issues – wires down and fires. There is one officer currently in the academy and three that will be going shortly. Mayor Kelly thanked the staff for all they did dealing with the utility issues that we faced over the weekend.

Fire Chief Murphy reported 55 calls for service for the month of October bringing the total to 737 for the year. There were two notable incidents – one was a sailboat accident under the bridge and a cardiac arrest on Sandy Hook. They administered CPR and utilized the Lucas chest compressor and were able to save his life. Training for members has been completed for the year and all the flood trucks are operating well. He and Councilman Keeler are working on solutions for winter storage of the vehicles since Sandy Hook no longer has available space.

DPW Director Dave Bahrle reported that street sweeping operations concluded at the end of October and will resume in mid-April of next year. Interviews were conducted for a new public works employee and he provided a recommendation to the Borough Administrator. The Anchorage Beach bathrooms have been winterized and closed for the season as well as the outdoor showers at the main beach. The pavilion restrooms will remain open all year. The department continues to evaluate the lockers and lifeguard stands for any repairs that need to be made. We are going to complete our yearly compliance training for all employees by the beginning of December.

**SUBJECT:** Coastal Protection Zone Ordinance

**ACTION:** Administrator Giolitto stated that there was a question about the enforcement of the Coast Protection Zone ordinance which is any commercial vehicle, boat, or trailer parked on the space along the road and splash pad. She spoke with Chief Friedman and when the PD sees a violation, they send a letter and usually it is handled before they need to issue a summons. Chief Friedman stated that there is currently one boat and two trailers that should be removed by next week. Councilman Bieber feels that we need to be careful of what we allow on the splash pad that may be "unsightly" and feels the present ordinance serves us well. Council agreed to leave the ordinance as is and revisit it if necessary.

**SUBJECT:** E-Bike Ordinance Assessment

**ACTION:** Ms. Giolitto stated that an officer can be assigned to the splash pad to do a detail for e-bike ordinance enforcement during the summer season. Ms. Giolitto added that she will be going over the signage to see where we can improve.

**SUBJECT:** Parking update

**ACTION:** Mayor Kelly stated that we are continuing our difficult conversation of parking for next summer. Administrator Giolitto stated there are no good options – we need to reevaluate if we can even give out business parking passes next year. Captain Arias stated that we are limited and we need to make a decision where we will allow business to park if we don't provide passes. The Administrator would like to have a plan in place by February.

**SUBJECT:** Beach Badge and Locker Prices for 2025

**ACTION:** The Governing Body discussed beach badge pricing and after a lengthy discussion agreed to keep the badge and locker prices the same for 2025.

**SUBJECT:** Best Practices Inventory

**ACTION:** Mayor Kelly stated that a copy of the Best practices inventory was included in the meeting packet for review. It was submitted by CFO Michael Bascom and we received a good score.

**SUBJECT:** 2025 Council Meeting Dates

**ACTION:** Mayor Kelly stated that the 2025 council meeting dates that were provided will be authorized at the Reorganization meeting in January unless there are any conflicts.

**SUBJECT:** Resolutions

1. Authorizing Bonds Aggregating the Principal Sum Not to Exceed \$1,217,632 Authorized by Four Bond Ordinances Heretofore Adopted to Finance Part of The Cost of Various General Improvements in The Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, New Jersey Into One Consolidated Issue of Bonds and Providing for The Form, Maturities and Other Details of Said Consolidated Issue
  2. Consideration of Bids Received for Ocean Avenue Sanitary Lining Project Imbrie Place
  3. Authorizing the Purchase of Equipment from Safeware, Inc. through Sourcewell for Sea Bright Fire Rescue
  4. Authorizing Hiring Police Officers Designation of Special Law Enforcement Officers – Class II
  5. Authorizing the Release of Various Closed Session Minutes for Years 2020-2022
  6. Authorizing the Release of Various Plot Plan Escrow Account Balances
  7. Refund of Bingo License Application
  8. Authorizing the Purchase of Police Department Vehicle 2024 Chevy Tahoe
  9. Resolution Appointing A Municipal Housing Liaison Rachel Giolitto – Borough Administrator
- ACTION:** The above resolutions will be prepared for approval at the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Borough Clerk Christine Pfeiffer stated that the mobile MVC will be here this Friday from 9am-2pm.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Councilmember Leckstein offered a motion to enter in to Closed Session; second by Councilmember Bieber:

**WHEREAS**, Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, it is recommended by the Borough Attorney and Administrator that the Borough Council go into executive session to discuss matters set forth hereinafter which are permissible for discussion in executive session.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that they meet in closed session to discuss the issues as herein set forth:

**1. Personnel**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public; and

**Roll Call:**     Bieber,    Catalano,    Gorman,    Keeler,    Lamia,    Leckstein  
                  Yes        Absent       Absent       Yes        Yes        Yes

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Leckstein offered a motion to Adjourn the Workshop meeting; seconded by Councilmember Bieber:

**Roll Call:**     Bieber,    Catalano,    Gorman,    Keeler,    Lamia,    Leckstein  
                  Yes        Absent       Absent       Yes        Yes        Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Pfeiffer  
Borough Clerk