# MINUTES WORKSHOP MEETING BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT

SEPTEMBER 12, 2013 (Thursday) SEA BRIGHT, NEW JERSEY

The Workshop Meeting of the Borough Council was held in the Cecile F. Norton Community Center Meeting Room, 1167 Ocean Avenue, Sea Bright, NJ 07760 at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Long called the meeting to order and request those present to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**OPENING STATEMENT:** Mayor Long read the following statement:

"GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. THIS MEETING IS 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", THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC."

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dina Long

Councilmember's Peggy Bills, Brian Kelly, William J. Keeler, C. Read Murphy

ABSENT: Councilmember's Marc A. Leckstein, James A. LoBiondo
OTHERS: Attorney Patrick McNamara, Borough Engineer Jaclyn J. Flor,

Acting Borough Administrator/Clerk Joseph L. Verruni

Chief Financial Officer Michael Bascom, Chief of Police John Sorrentino

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE (limited to 3 minutes per person) The Public Comment portion of this meeting allow 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.

# **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

SUBJECT: Ancient Order of Hibernians Polar Bear Plunge, 1/12/14

**ACTION:** The Council agreed to honor the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual event providing they coordinate with the local emergency services and provide proper insurance.

**SUBJECT:** Municipal Lot Bulkhead

**ACTION:** Mayor and Council made a request to the Borough Engineer to provide separated proposals for the meeting of September 17<sup>th</sup>.

**SUBJECT:** Tax Maps

**ACTION:** Borough Engineer submitted a proposal dated August 30<sup>th</sup> and gave a brief overview of the

project.

SUBJECT: Two Rivers Sewer Authority, Sanitary Sewer Cleaning Program

**ACTION:** The Borough Attorney and Engineer shared advantages of going with Two Rivers; the disadvantages not having the money to make repairs. A decision will need to be made soon. Can do a comparison from two years ago to show storm damages.

**SUBJECT:** Bellevue Place Street Vacation

**ACTION:** The Mayor and Council raised concerns to vacate and decided to take a look at the property before making decision to move forward.

**SUBJECT:** Building Elevations to ABFE

**ACTION:** The Borough Engineer will clarify with the Building Department and work along with Zoning Officer; she agreed to kept Mr. Verruni informed. Councilmember Murphy also noted a strict methodology to calculate flood insurance premiums; if some do not comply, it will hurt everyone's premiums.

#### **UPDATES:**

1. Building Department Hours

Mayor Long shared a letter from resident expressing concern over the lack of hours in building department, not getting a response, calls not answered and problem getting inspections. Look to have the Building Department expand hours and additional staffing.

- 2. Department of Environmental Commission
  Mayor Long shared her conference call with DEP, our need for assistance.
- 3. H209 Conference

Mayor Long said Army Corps of Engineers was partners and she got to talk and spend time with them.

- 4. Nixle Borough of Sea Bright Police Department
  Chief Sorrentino said this will allow him to get the word out to the residents,
  emergency texting. He is looking to get a mailing out to the residents in a few
  weeks.
- 5. 20/20 Meeting Scheduled for Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>
- 6. Proposing Town Meeting Schedule for Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>
- 7. One Year Anniversary of Sandy Need to plan event for anniversary.

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

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## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

# RESOLUTION NO. 170-2013 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Bills offered the following resolution and moved its adoption; seconded by Councilmember Keeler.

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

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, New Jersey that they meet in closed session to discuss the issues as herein set forth and when the need for confidentiality no longer exists the decisions made therein will be made available to the public.

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
- 2. The general nature of the subject matters to be discussed are as follows:

Personnel and Litigation

3. It is anticipated at this time that the subject matters will be made public, if and when, confidentiality is no longer needed. Action may be taken

4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council may come back into Regular Session to conduct additional business.

**Roll Call:** Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Leckstein, LoBiondo, Murphy Yes Yes Yes Abs. Abs. Yes

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Murphy motion to Adjourn: Second by Councilmember Bills

**Roll Call:** Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Leckstein, LoBiondo, Murphy Yes Yes Abs. Abs. Yes