

**MINUTES  
WORKSHOP MEETING  
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT**

**FEBRUARY 12, 2015 (Thursday)**

**SEA BRIGHT, NEW JERSEY**

**Mayor Long** called the meeting to order and requested those present to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance - 8:30 am.

**Mayor Long** read the following compliance statement:

"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 Has Been Faxed to the Asbury Park Press and other local newspapers on November 24, 2014. In each instance, the Date, Time, And Location Of This Meeting Were Provided In The Notice. This Meeting Is Open To The Public."

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dina Long, Councilmembers Peggy Bills, William J. Keeler, John M. Lamia, Jr., Marc A. Leckstein, Charles H. Rooney III

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Brian P. Kelly

**OTHERS:** Borough Attorney Patrick J. McNamara, Borough Engineer Jaclyn Flor, Acting Borough Engineer Joseph L. Verruni, Borough Clerk Christine Pfeiffer

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**SUBJECT:** 2015 Goals and Objectives (Keeler)

**ACTION:** Councilman Keeler requested that well before a capital project is underway and up for a vote, a presentation be made to the Mayor and Council so that everyone is aware, in detail, of what is going on. Councilman Keeler would like Public Works and Public Safety to review the snow removal process (particularly the sidewalks in north beach) to be reviewed from an insurance perspective. Councilman Rooney added that as a Council, it is their responsibility and goal to move forward with the projects before them. Mayor Long suggested holding a special workshop to focus solely on the current facilities projects. Borough Clerk will schedule the special meeting.

**SUBJECT:** Streetscape RFP Response

**ACTION:** Steve Nelson updated Council on the review process underway for the ten responses that were received. It was agreed to form a committee to review, interview and ultimately select the firm to be hired. Mr. Nelson reiterated that we are on a very tight time table to get this project completed.

**SUBJECT:** Review of Chapter 53 – Alarm/Fees

**ACTION:** Chief Sorrentino explained the alarm ordinance changes. Chapter 53 needs to be updated to register every alarm in town through the permitting process to allow the police department to know who the property owner is, the name of the alarm company, and the emergency number to call to contact if the property owner is not home. Council agreed to introduce the Alarm Ordinance at February 17, 2015 Regular Council meeting with one amendment to the fee for false alarms in section J, #1.

**SUBJECT:** Striping Plans for Ocean Avenue/Rt. 36 and Parking Analysis

**ACTION:** Steve Nelson reported that he and the Chief met with the Businesses of Sea Bright Executive Board and they supported the striping plan which includes bike lanes and head out angle parking, although there is concern about the number of parking spaces that will be lost with this plan. Mr. Nelson prepared an analysis of the parking plan and identified possible ways to increase the number of spaces so there would not be any net loss. Councilman Keeler raised several concerns and questions regarding the safety of the bike lane and addressed the Borough Attorney about our legal ramifications and liability. Councilman Keeler suggested creating a multi-use pathway in the north end to keep the competitive bikers separated from the recreational bikers. Councilman Keeler would like DOT to give them a list of other towns who have the head out parking so we can speak to them about how it is working. The Borough Engineer will provide Council with the exact

hours and black-out dates for paving during summer months. Mr. Nelson will get in touch with the surrounding towns to confirm their support of our bike lane. The consensus of Council is to put this on the next meeting agenda for a vote for action.

**SUBJECT:** Pay Parking

**ACTION:** Discussion carried to next Workshop Agenda. Borough Administrator will confirm whether or not the Borough can charge for parking in the Anchorage lot.

**SUBJECT:** Beautification Plan

**ACTION:** Discussion carried to next Workshop Agenda.

**SUBJECT:** RFP for Capital Improvement Plan

**ACTION:** Resolution will be on February 17, 2015 regular meeting agenda.

**SUBJECT:** Downtown Parking Analysis

**ACTION:** Discussion combined with Striping Plan discussion above.

**SUBJECT:** Confirm Town Hall Meeting Dates

**ACTION:** Council will submit available dates to Clerk's office for scheduling.

**SUBJECT:** Farmer's Market Proposal

**ACTION:** Resolution will be on February 17, 2015 regular meeting agenda.

**SUBJECT:** Reconstruction of Six Bulkheads and New Storm Water Pump Station

**ACTION:** Borough Engineer Flor reported that we received bids for this project for the second time and again they came in higher than expected. This proposal included alternates. Ms. Flor explained the funding we have received to date and how it has been spent and her assessment as to why the bids were coming in higher than expected. After a lengthy discussion Council agreed to move forward including all the bulkheads and to amend the bond to provide funding. Mr. Verruni will speak to CFO for input on what the impact to tax payers would be with this additional money added to the bond.

**SUBJECT:** T&M Project Update

**ACTION:** Engineer Flor reported that she will be providing a monthly detailed report itemizing the different projects and progress for each. Ms. Flor asked Council for their input on the report's format. The Mayor suggested the projects be listed in three categories and an to include a notation indicating which committee is authorizing:

- 1) approved by resolution;
- 2) general "engineering" ongoing projects;
- 3) recommended projects.

**UPDATES (FYI):**

- Borough Hall will be closed Monday, February 16, in observance of President's Day
- The deadline for Dog and Cat Licenses was January 31 - please get your licenses if you haven't done so already.

**10:50 am Councilmember Bills left meeting.**

**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

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.

Heather Bedenko, 400 Ocean Avenue, commented on behalf of the Dune Committee and reported that they filmed the dunes from Tradewinds to the Highlands bridge. The dunes in the 300 block have been completely lost and hopes that DPW can move some sand back to form a dune. The next dune planting has been scheduled for March 14th. In addition, the unauthorized crossovers in the 500-600 block have decimated the dunes and would like the police to enforce and give out tickets. Ms. Bedenko supports the striping/bike plan and suggested the town require the beach clubs put in the concrete stops to prevent from cars pulling out of the parking lot in unauthorized spots.

Marianne McKenzie, 612 Ocean Avenue, commented on the dangers of the beach club parking lots that don't have the stops - very dangerous for bikers. Asked if the Borough has an agreement with DOT on the five year moratorium prohibiting opening the road after the repaving. The Borough has a number of projects in the works that are going to require street openings and since we need the revenue we should not delay them if at all possible. Asked Council to put off paid parking in the municipal lot. Also asked Council to consider allowing privately owned property to be used for overflow parking.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: NOT HELD**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Leckstein offered a motion to Adjourn the Workshop meeting; second by Councilmember Keeler:

<b>Vote:</b>	Bills,	Keeler,	Kelly,	Lamia,	Leckstein,	Rooney
	absent	Yes	absent	Yes	Yes	Yes

Time: 11:05 am