

**MINUTES
WORKSHOP MEETING
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT**

MAY 14, 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 - 8:35 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, Councilmember's Peggy Bills, William J. Keeler, John M. Lamia, Jr., Charles H. Rooney III

ABSENT: Councilmember's, Brian P. Kelly, Marc A. Leckstein

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

Borough Labor Attorney, Bruce Padula, advised Council that the first item on the agenda for discussion - County Dispatch - impacts an employee who requested the discussion be held in public. Since there is also a pending grievance and threat of litigation regarding potential action that Council might take, Mr. Padula recommended Council go into closed session pursuant to the attorney/client privilege and litigation exceptions in the Open Public Meetings Act, to discuss prior to discussing in public session.

**RESOLUTION
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:
 - A. Personnel
 - B. 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.

Vote:	Bills,	Keeler,	Kelly,	Lamia,	Leckstein,	Rooney
	Yes	Yes	absent	Yes	absent	Yes

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

SUBJECT: County Dispatch - Police Clerk

ACTION: Mayor Long announced that no action would be taken on this item nor would there be any further discussion at this time. Since there is a threat of litigation as well as a pending grievance, all communications will be made through attorneys who will advise Council accordingly. The Governing Body will explore all options to settle this as amicably as possible.

SUBJECT: SeaBreeze e-newsletter monthly proposal

ACTION: Borough Administrator Verruni reported we received a proposal from the current editor of the SeaBreeze proposing a monthly e-newsletter for an additional fee of \$500/month. A discussion ensued and Council agreed to ask the Public Relations Committee to submit a recommendation to Council.

SUBJECT: Beach Badge Sale Extension

Mayor Long opened up the discussion to the public:

Rich Lee, Executive Director, Surfers Environmental Alliance, spoke on behalf of surfers to keep Anchorage Beach designated as a surfer's beach.

Read Murphy, Sea Bright OEM Director, feels it should remain a surfer's beach.

Vince LePore, Long Branch, asked what media outlets would be used to advertise/promote the sale of beach badges should Council decide to extend the half price sale.

ACTION: The Beach Committee will give a policy recommendation to Council if any action needs to be taken on how Anchorage Beach will be managed. A resolution will be prepared for the May 19, 2015 Council Meeting authorizing a half price beach badge sale for three days beginning May 20, 2015 through May 22, 2015.

SUBJECT: NJ Natural Gas Safety Valves

ACTION: New Jersey Natural Gas wants to install EFV Valves which automatically shut off lines to homes and/or businesses should there be a loss of service. Because some areas involved have recently been paved, Borough Administrator Verruni asked the Borough Engineer if there are steps that could be taken to require NJNG to refurbish the black top so that we are not compromising safety and the brand new streets. Borough Engineer Flor summarized our options. Council agreed that if the road is less than five years old, a Resolution must be obtained from the Borough granting a waiver against the five year moratorium along with standards of what they need to do to restore the road and a maintenance bond.

SUBJECT: Sea Wall Update

ACTION: Borough Engineer Flor reported that the interim steel bulkhead will have a removable section to allow for vehicular access. Will also need to reconstruct an interim boardwalk access to the beach. DEP will be paying for the interim wall and wave analysis so we can analyze the size of waves and what level of protection the wall will provide. The DEP has asked the Engineer to provide a proposal to amend Phase I to include the cost of the permits for the entire seawall project including Phase II. Mayor Long stated that we need to communicate as much as we know as early as possible to property owners who will be effected by this project.

SUBJECT: Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant Program

ACTION: Discussion carried to a future Workshop Meeting.

SUBJECT: Change June 2 Council Meeting Date - Primary Election

ACTION: Council agreed to move the meeting date to June 3, 2015. A Resolution will be prepared for the May 19, 2015 meeting approving the date change.

SUBJECT: Fire/Police Buildings - Demo Update

ACTION: Borough Administrator Verruni reported that the bids for this project have been received - most were very competitive within our range. The low bid will be submitted to the attorney for review. Mayor Long requested that the demolition date be widely communicated to the extent allowable.

SUBJECT: Special Events Fees

ACTION: Council requested the Special Events Committee's recommended fee schedule for future Council action.

SUBJECT: Annual Photo - Governing Body (Keeler)

ACTION: Councilman Keeler requested that Council take an annual photo. The Borough Clerk will schedule.

SUBJECT: Councilman Lamia was approached by the Businesses of Sea Bright (BSB) who offered to donate 25 beach umbrellas to be used on the public beaches for lifeguards and beach checkers. The BSB would like the Borough to sign an agreement that prohibits any other vendor/business to advertise on umbrellas for a period of three years.

ACTION: Borough Attorney McNamara recommended Council commit to a one year agreement and to exclude umbrellas used for special events. Councilman Lamia will speak to the BSB to see if they are in agreement. A resolution will be prepared authorizing the Mayor to sign a revised agreement for the May 19, 2015 Council meeting should the BSB agree to the revised terms.

SUBJECT: Emergency Management Update

ACTION: OEM Coordinator Read Murphy updated Council on State of Emergency procedures, including, communications, police, first aid and fire. OEM office has requested four phone jacks to be installed in the Council Room for an emergency operations center. Mr. Murphy reviewed the necessary training programs required for his Deputies. Mayor Long added that OEM and the governing body need to work together; Councilmembers and employees need to get trained on the Borough's Emergency Plan.

UPDATES (FYI):

- **Farmer's Market is in full swing every Thursday from 2 - 7 pm.**
- **Fireman's Fair - opens tonight thru Sunday**

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.

Vince LePore, Long Branch, commented that if Anchorage parking is free and the beach remains a surfer's beach, the surfer's will use all the parking spots.

Bob Morrone, Sandpiper Lane, thanked the Mayor for holding the Town Hall Meeting on Hazard Mitigation - it was very informative. Also, commented that the Borough could be better served if they hired a full time administrator.

Councilmember Bills left meeting at 11:20 am.

Marianne McKenzie, 612 Ocean Avenue, commented on the low turn-out at the Town Hall Meeting - better communications amongst all groups in the town could be better. Suggested a weekly email might serve better than a monthly or quarterly newsletter which would include upcoming events, etc.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Vote:	Bills,	Keeler,	Kelly,	Lamia,	Leckstein,	Rooney
	absent	Yes	absent	Yes	absent	Yes

Time: 11:30 am

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Pfeiffer
Borough Clerk