

**MINUTES  
WORKSHOP MEETING  
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT**

**APRIL 13, 2017 (Thursday)**

**SEA BRIGHT, NEW JERSEY**

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

**Mayor Long** 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 November 15, 2016. 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 Dina Long  
Councilmember's Kevin Birdsall, William J. Keeler,  
Marc A. Leckstein, Charles H. Rooney  
**ABSENT:** Councilmember's Brian P. Kelly, John M. Lamia, Jr.  
**OTHERS:** Attorney Roger McLaughlin, Engineer Jenna Stagliano,  
Administrator Joseph L. Verruni, Clerk Christine Pfeiffer

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Councilmember Leckstein offered a motion to enter into Closed Session; second by Councilmember Rooney:

**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. Litigation
  - B. Personnel
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:** Birdsall, Keeler, Kelly, Lamia, Leckstein, Rooney  
Yes Yes absent absent Yes Yes

There being no further business to discuss a motion to go back into the regular meeting was made by Councilman Leckstein and seconded by Councilman Keeler with unanimous voice vote approval.

**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.

No one wished to be heard.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**SUBJECT:** Capital Projects Update

**ACTION:** Administrator Verruni reported he met with Kevin Settembrino and they are getting all of the necessary documents together and Attorney McLaughlin is finalizing a contract with Kelso Construction for the beach pavilion. They believe we will begin mobilizing around May 1<sup>st</sup> – putting up the security fence and driving the pilings into the ground which will hopefully be completed by Memorial Day.

**SUBJECT:** State Aid Agreement - Seawall Project

**ACTION:** Administrator Verruni explained that this State Aid Agreement which specifies the costs the Borough will bear for the seawall project and what will be reimbursed by the state, has been reviewed by the CFO and Attorney and is ready to be executed. Mr. Verruni wanted to let Council know that the DEP has applied to FEMA to pay for the handicap access ramp/stairway that goes up and over the dune; it is within their budget however, there is a possibility that FEMA will not pay for it due to a stipulation in the State Aid Agreement and the Borough will be responsible.

**SUBJECT:** Dogs and Cats Lease Extension for Beach Facility

**ACTION:** Administrator Verruni reported the Dogs and Cats lease is up for the beach facilities. The lease will be renewed for one year. The annual rent increase is \$500 for the year (\$18,000 to \$18,500).

**SUBJECT:** Amend Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual - Automobiles

**ACTION:** Administrator Verruni reported the personnel committee met and recommends that we amend personnel policies with regards to the personal use of automobiles. It will now state that only the Chief of Police and Fire Chief will have personal use of vehicles. An ordinance will be prepared for introduction for the April 18, 2017 meeting.

**SUBJECT:** Senior Citizen Priority Parking Program

**ACTION:** Councilman Leckstein reported on "senior citizen priority parking programs." This program would allow for Sea Bright residents who are 60 years of age and above to register their vehicles with the Police Department and be allowed to park in designated areas for seniors. Mayor Long said she has concerns about the lot behind Borough Hall when the senior have their meetings. Chief Sorrentino reported he gives the seniors parking passes when they have meetings. After a brief discussion, Council agreed to formalize a program and the Clerk will prepare a resolution for the April 18, 2017 meeting.

**SUBJECT:** Follow Up: Businesses on the beach - yoga, camps, etc. and Fees

**ACTION:** Administrator Verruni reported Beach Manager, Don Klein visited Manasquan and Belmar to see how they handle businesses on the beach. Councilman Leckstein explained that we won't be ready to implement a program until the summer of 2018 as there is more research to be done. Councilman Leckstein reported the special events committee has received four applications for actual businesses to be run on the beach - since they are not special events, council needs to approve. The businesses that have applied are; Jersey Shore Skim Camp, Lucky Dog Surf Shop (skim and surf lessons), Christina Russo (beach yoga), and another surf camp. Councilman Leckstein said the special events committee recommended Chief Sorrentino and Don Klein work with these businesses to ensure they are located in a suitable location and adhere to the rules and regulations of the beach. Councilman Leckstein would like to put a resolution on the next council meeting approving these businesses for the 2017 summer season. Council approved and the Clerk will prepare a resolution for the April 18, 2017 meeting.

**SUBJECT:** General Code - Re-codification of Code Book

**ACTION:** Borough Clerk Christine Pfeiffer reported we are ready to move forward with the codification project with General Code. An authorizing resolution will be prepared for the April 18, 2017 meeting.

**SUBJECT:** Surfer's Environmental Alliance Trash Campaign "Leave Only Your Footprints"

**ACTION:** Borough Clerk Christine Pfeiffer reported there will be a resolution authorizing participation in this campaign on the April 18, 2017 meeting agenda.

**SUBJECT:** Beach Badge Donations after pre-season sale

**ACTION:** Administrator Verruni explained that March 31<sup>th</sup> has been the policy in the past for requesting a beach badge donation. Council agreed that this is a reasonable date and asked the Borough Clerk to include language in the annual resolution for the pre-season beach badges. Councilman Leckstein would like to notify requestors that we hear from every year of this deadline. The current requests were approved and a resolution will be prepared for the April 18, 2017 meeting.

**SUBJECT:** Fees for ceremonies performed by the Mayor

**ACTION:** Administrator Verruni reported CFO Mr. Bascom heard from the state that the dedication by rider for the \$300 fee has to be adjusted for auditing purposes. Mr. Verruni said the CFO sent the proposed change to the State and is awaiting their approval.

**SUBJECT:** Deduct Meters

**ACTION:** Councilman Leckstein explained that he received a call from John Chimento who owns Sands Beach Club who recommends that instead of getting rid of deduct meters, the Borough should charge a fee to pay for an inspector to make sure they are properly connected. Administrator Verruni said another option would be to advise all those with deduct meters that they will be sunsetting in a certain number of years which would give them ample time to build a well. Mayor Long said that sewer bills are based on consumption of water so if they have a well, they won't be consuming water. The largest consumers of water all have deduct meters and the rest of the tax payers have to make up the difference to keep the sewer utility out of the red. Council agreed to continue this discussion at the May 11, 2017 workshop meeting.

**UPDATES**

Councilman Rooney asked if the bathrooms at Anchorage Beach could be opened up for the sunrise mass on Easter Sunday at 6 am. Dave Bahrle, Director of DPW said that they can have them opened and cleaned.

Mayor Long provided an update on the piping plovers – our longtime contact Todd Pover at US Fish and Wildlife has retired and his replacement is not allowing for any flexibility whatsoever and required that the new dune fencing be taken down. Mayor Long also reported the sea beach amaranth which was a completely extinct plant but has come back due to beach replenishment back is now being protected by the agency.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

<b>Roll Call:</b>	Birdsall,	Keeler,	Kelly,	Lamia,	Leckstein,	Rooney
	Yes	Yes	absent	absent	Yes	Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Pfeiffer  
Borough Clerk