

**MINUTES
WORKSHOP MEETING
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT**

NOVEMBER 2, 2017 (Thursday)

SEA BRIGHT, NEW JERSEY

Mayor Long called the meeting to order at 8:30 am and requested those present to join 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, Brian P. Kelly,
Marc A. Leckstein, Charles H. Rooney

ABSENT: John M. Lamia, Jr.

OTHERS: Attorney Richard Shaklee, Engineers Fran Mullan & Claire Petruzzella,
Administrator Joseph L. Verruni, 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.

Karen Trezza, 1068 Ocean Avenue, explained that she was present as a follow-up to an email she sent to Mayor Long concerning three safety issues at her property. The first issue concerns a tree on the neighboring property that poses a threat to the power lines. The second issue is about a fence which blocks her emergency egress. The third safety issue is the gas tank on the sidewalk in front of their shop. Mayor Long, Administrator Verruni and Council discussed the safety concerns and will continue to address the issues and to try resolve them. Mayor Long asked Mrs. Trezza to come in and meet with her next Thursday.

Joanne Kalaka-Adams, reported she found an old tax bill from 1914 for Peninsula Avenue, including the hotel - the state school tax was 27 cents per \$100, the county tax was 41 cents per \$100 and the total tax for the year was \$743.00. In 1915, the school tax went down one cent, but the special school tax went from 37 cents to 42 cents so the total tax went from \$743.00 to \$864.00 - what a difference a couple years make!

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilmember Kelly offered a motion to enter into Closed Session; second 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. Litigation - Beach Club Tax Appeals Update
(Martin Allen, Esq. attending)

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 Yes absent Yes* Yes

*Councilman Leckstein recused himself from the Beach Club tax appeal discussion, in the closed session.

Councilman Kelly left the meeting at 10 am.

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 Birdsall with unanimous voice vote approval.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

SUBJECT: Capital Projects/Seawall Update

ACTION: Administrator Verruni provided an update on the projects currently underway in the Borough: 1) the paving of Rt. 36/Ocean Avenue was completed; 2) Frank and Kevin Settembrino have been meeting about the building progress and the pavilion is proceeding on schedule; 3) a meeting is scheduled next week to go over the final plans and comments from the review architect for the municipal building; 4) the seawall project is underway all over the Borough and they are projected to complete about 20-30 feet per day and they are committed to completing the section from Donovan's to Chapel Beach Club by Memorial Day. Mr. Verruni said they are still working on different capping scenarios and will present recommendations to Council next month. Engineer Claire Petruzzella reported T&M is preparing a draft proposal for the two conduits, north and south of the pavilion for water, sewer and electrical in both locations.

SUBJECT: Block 21, Lot 5 - Vacation Request

ACTION: Administrator Verruni explained that this property can only be sold to contiguous property owners at fair market value. Council asked Mr. Verruni to have the property appraised.

SUBJECT: Property Maintenance/Weeds

ACTION: Chief Sorrentino explained he has problems every year enforcing residents to maintain their weeds which is a violation of the International Property Maintenance Code and asked Council for advice on how to handle the offenders. Mayor Long asked Code Enforcement Committee Chair Birdsall to work with the Administrator and his committee to come up with a recommendation for the Chief.

SUBJECT: Hiring Special Class II Police Officers

ACTION: The Chief recommends hiring three special police officers to fill vacancies. A resolution will be on the November 13, 2017 meeting agenda for approval.

SUBJECT: Year-round permit parking on side streets

ACTION: Councilman Rooney reported that there are downtown streets that do and don't want or need the year-round permit parking. The Chief added that if you are going to enforce it on one street you have to do all of them - all or nothing. Council agreed to carry this discussion to a future workshop meeting.

SUBJECT: Anchorage Parking Lot Safety Issues

ACTION: Discussion was carried to a future workshop meeting.

SUBJECT: Alleyway from Peninsula to River St.

ACTION: Discussion was carried to a future workshop meeting.

SUBJECT: Energy Plan

ACTION: Administrator Verruni explained for the past three years we have been purchasing our energy through a third party supplier - Houston Energy - and that contract has expired. Mr. Verruni explained we have a new supplier who purchases energy via online auction to get the best rate for our energy consumption and recommended we go with this supplier as it will continue to save the Borough \$5-6,000.00 per year.

SUBJECT: Resolutions to Rescind:

- a. Back in angle parking
- b. Nothing Fishy - Liquor License
- c. Reduction of Performance Bond for R. Kremer & Sons

ACTION: The Borough Clerk explained that the above three resolutions will be on the November 13, 2017 meeting agenda for approval.

SUBJECT: DPW - Purchase Front End Loader

ACTION: Administrator Verruni reported this purchase is one of the top priorities in the five year capital plan and will be purchased through a national cooperative purchasing program. A resolution authorizing the purchase will be on the November 13, 2017 meeting agenda for approval.

SUBJECT: Edmunds 2018 Contract

ACTION: Administrator Verruni reported our contract for our financial and tax package is up. A resolution to renew the contract will be on the November 13, 2017 meeting agenda for approval.

SUBJECT: 2018 Meeting Dates

ACTION: A resolution to approving the dates will be on the November 13, 2017 meeting agenda for approval.

SUBJECT: Town-wide Garage Sale

ACTION: Councilman Leckstein reported the public relations committee asked him to bring this idea of holding a town-wide garage sale to Council for approval. Mayor Long is concerned about safety with cars driving up and down the streets. Councilman Leckstein will speak with the Chief to discuss parking issues, etc. before moving forward.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Roll Call:	Birdsall,	Keeler,	Kelly,	Lamia,	Leckstein,	Rooney
	Yes	Yes	absent	absent	Yes	Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Pfeiffer
Borough Clerk