MINUTES REGULAR MEETING BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT

NOVEMBER 13, 2023

SEA BRIGHT, NEW JERSEY

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Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and requested those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kelly read the following Compliance Statement:

Good Evening 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 January 10, 2023. 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 Brian P. Kelly

Councilmembers, Erwin Bieber, Jefferey M. Booker, Sr.,

Samuel A. Catalano, Heather Gorman, William J. Keeler, John M. Lamia, Jr.

OTHERS: Attorney Richard Shaklee, Administrator Joseph Verruni,

Borough Clerk Christine Pfeiffer

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBER OF THE SEA BRIGHT COMMUNITY WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY: Margaret (Peggy) Gatto

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.

Jessica Morris, resident, voiced her support for a residential option of the Mad Hatter property as there are plenty of restaurants in that proximity and it would improve ratables.

Kevin Birdsall, resident, expressed his concerns about Ordinance No. 16-2023 – he understands that it is for wood burning fire pits but pointed out that it is not specific in the ordinance. Councilman Bieber agreed that it is not clear and intends to introduce the ordinance tonight with the addition of specific language.

Joe Ruane, resident, stated that a restaurant/bar in his neighborhood would decrease the value of the homes and would prefer a residential development.

Jim Scoolfield, resident, is concerned that the Mad Hatter directly effects his property value and would also prefer it to become residential.

Tammy Kaiser, resident, feels it is a "no brainer" for the town to develop the Mad Hatter property as residential especially since it would increase rateables.

Kim Ruane, resident, voiced her preference for residential development at the Mad Hatter property as she believes it would better serve the town.

Ron Shookt, resident, expressed his favor for the residential option at the Mad Hatter specifically from a quality-of-life perspective.

Donna Ruane, resident, feels that residential development would be best for the town.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Bieber offered a motion to approve the items that are considered routine in nature under the consent agenda; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

Minutes

10-12-2023	Workshop Meeting
10-12-2023	Executive Session
10-17-2023	Regular Meeting

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

Resolutions:

No. 164-2023 Authorizing Sale of Borough Surplus Property No Longer Needed for Public use on an Online Auction Website

(carried from 10-17-2023 meeting)

Councilmember Bieber introduced and offered the following Resolution for adoption; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright is the owner of surplus property, listed below, which is no longer needed for public use; and

2013 Chevy Tahoe Minimum Bid: \$1,500

Vin: 1GNSK 2E07D R1318 77 Department: Police Department

2013 Chevy Tahoe Minimum Bid: \$1,500

2013 Chevy Tahoe Vin: 1GNLC 2E07D R1558 73 Department: Police Department

2016 Polaris ATV Minimum Bid: \$1,000

Vin: 3NSRCA572GG516570 Department: Beach

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright intends to utilize the online auction services of GovDeals, Inc. through Sourcewell (Member ID 29820) located at www.govdeals.com; and

WHEREAS, the sale is being conducted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36 and the guidance set forth in the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice 2019-15.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Borough is hereby authorized to sell the surplus property as indicated above on an online auction platform entitled Govdeals.com; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into between Govdeals.com and the Borough of Sea Bright are available on www.govdeals.com and in the office of the Borough Clerk;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

- 1. Finance Manager
- 2. Police Chief
- 3. Beach Manager

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

No. 169-2023 Person-to-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1343-33-005-004 1124 Ocean Avenue Liquor, LLC to BD Adventures, LLC

Councilmember Bieber introduced and offered for adoption the following resolution; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a person-to-person transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License, Number 1343-33-005-004, heretofore issued to 1124 Ocean Avenue Liquor, LLC (d/b/a Rory's Pub), for premises located at 1124 Ocean Avenue, Bright, New Jersey to BD Adventures, LLC (d/b/a Brothers Daley); and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects as outlined in N.J.S.A. 33:1-1 et seq., all appropriate State and Municipal fees have been paid, and the license has been renewed for the current license term; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated there- under, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions set by the Sea Bright Police Department and the New Jersey Division of Alcohol and Beverage Control; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed, and the issuing authority has reviewed, the source of all funds used in the purchase of said liquor license, the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the licensed business;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth that it does hereby approve, effective November 13, 2023, the transfer of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption License to BD Adventures, LLC, and does hereby direct the Borough Clerk to endorse the license certificate to the new ownership as follows:

"This license, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred, effective November 13, 2023, to BD Adventures, LLC, for premises located at 1124 Ocean Avenue, Sea Bright, New Jersey."

BE IT RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the following:

- 1. Chief of Police
- 2. State of New Jersey, Division of ABC
- 3. BD Adventures, LLC

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia

Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

No. 170-2023 Authorizing Grant Application for Boardwalk Improvements
New Jersey Department of Community Affairs - Boardwalk
Preservation Fund

Councilmember Bieber introduced and offered for adoption the following Resolution; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

WHEREAS, the Boardwalk Preservation Fund grant program is administered by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' - Division of Disaster Recovery and Mitigation to improve beach access, ADA access and extend and enhance boardwalks and beach walks to ensure safer and longer lasting infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright believes all of these aspects relate well to its beachfront; and

WHEREAS, application for this grant is a way to fund improvements with the help of the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, do hereby authorize the submission of a grant application for the enhancement of our oceanfront amenities through the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' Boardwalk Preservation Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

- 1. Finance Manager
- 2. Borough Engineer

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia

Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

No. 171-2023 Authorizing Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs - Sea Bright Fire Department

Councilmember Bieber offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Councilmember Booker:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright Fire Department desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$70,000 for the acquisition of turnout gear.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, does hereby:

- 1. authorize the application for such a grant; and
- 2. recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Borough of Sea Bright Fire Department and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

Brian P. Kelly, Mayor	Charles Murphy, Chief SB Fire Dept.
Christine Pfeiffer, Borough Clerk	

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

No. 172-2023 Authorizing 2024 Beach Fee Schedule

Councilmember Bieber introduced and offered for adoption the following Resolution; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright established by Ordinance of the Borough Code, Section 66-17. Fees. The fees and charges of the Municipal Beach Authority shall be established annually by resolution of the Governing Body, and

WHEREAS, the following beach fees have been proposed for the 2024 summer season:

2024 BEACH FEES (per person)		AMOUNT		
SEASON BEACH BADGE (December 1-31, 2023)			75.00	
SEASON BEACH BADGE (beginning January 1, 2024)			100.00	
SEASON SENIOR 65+ E	BADGE	\$	35.00	
SEASON DISABLED BA	DGE	\$	35.00	
DAILY BEACH BADGE (May 25, 2024 - September 2, 2024)		\$	8.00	
CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 12			FREE	
ACTIVE MILITARY & FAMILY MEMBERS/PERSONNEL			FREE	
BEACH LOCKERS:	LARGE LOCKER	\$	450.00	
	SMALL LOCKER	\$	400.00	

- NO REPLACEMENT OR REFUND OF BEACH BADGES
- NO REFUND ON BEACH LOCKERS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the 2024 Beach Fee Schedule is hereby authorized as indicated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

- 1. Finance Manager
- 2. Beach Manager

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

No. 173-2023 2023 Budget Transfers - Authorizing the Transfer of Funds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-58

Councilmember Bieber offered the following resolution and moved its adoption; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

WHEREAS, there exists a need to transfer budget balances in certain line item appropriations of the 2023 budget; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-58 authorizes the transfer of appropriations, during the last two (2) months of the calendar year, to said budget where adopted heretofore by the governing body by two-thirds vote thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, (not less than 2/3 of all members of the Governing Body concurring) that the Borough Administrator and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to make the following transfers in accordance with the annexed schedule for the Current, Sewer Utility, and Beach Utility Funds:

Schedule of Budget Transfers - November 13, 2023

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

- 1. Director of Finance
- 2. Borough Auditor
- 3. Fiscal Officer

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

ORDINANCE(s):

Introduction: Mayor Kelly to read the ordinance by title:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT, ADDING CHAPTER 107 FIRE PITS TO THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT

For clarification purposes - Attorney Shaklee recommended adding 107-1 C. "For the purpose of this chapter, gas, or propane operated fire pits are excluded".

Councilmember Bieber offered a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 16-2023, as amended in Section 107.1, for a public hearing to be held on December 19, 2023 and advertise according to law; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright (the "Borough") has determined that it is in the best interests of the Borough and its residents to provide regulations regarding the requirements and use of fire pits within the Borough and to provide penalties for violations thereof.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION ONE. Chapter 107 is hereby added to the Code of the Borough of Sea Bright to read, in full, as follows:

Chapter 107. Fire Pits

§ 107-1. Fire Pits Authorized; Definitions.

- A. Fire pits or other similar devices are authorized within the Borough of Sea Bright subject to the restrictions set forth in this chapter. For the purpose of this chapter, a fire pit shall be considered as any outdoor fireplace unit built after obtaining permits and approvals pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code; or
- B. Any equipment designed and used for outdoor fires and operated pursuant to manufacturer's instructions.
 - C. For the purpose of this chapter, gas or propane operated fire pits are excluded.

§ 107-2. Limitation of Size.

All such fireplaces or fire pits as set forth above shall be no larger than three feet in diameter and two feet in height and are required to have an approved screen or spark arrestor.

§ 107-3. Location Requirements.

- A. Such fireplaces or fire pits may only be used at residential properties containing two or fewer units and are prohibited from being used at any commercial establishment or for any commercial use or at any multifamily dwelling in excess of two units.
- B. All such devices shall be kept at ground level and must be placed upon a noncombustible surface such as brick or cement. No such devices shall be permitted on any type of elevated landing, surface, deck, stairway, roof or other elevated platform or portion of a structure.
- C. Said devices are prohibited from being used within 15 feet of any structure, including but not limited to homes, garages, sheds, showers or other such structures.
- D. Such devices are prohibited from being used within five feet of any other combustible surface, including but not limited to, bushes, fences, pools, plants, shrubs, houses used for feeding of sheltering animals or other combustible surfaces.
- E. Said devices are prohibited from being used underneath any cave, overhang, roof, wires, tree limbs, vegetation, gutter, downspouts or decks.
 - F. Fireplaces and fire pits are not permitted in the front yard.

§ 107-4. Unattended Fire Pits Prohibited.

Any outdoor fireplace or fire pit must be constantly attended while in use and shall not be left unattended while any burning, smoldering or heat generation is taking place.

§ 107-5. Hours.

No fireplace or fire pit shall be used in the Borough of Sea Bright other than during the hours between 9:00 a.m. and midnight.

§ 107-6. Certain Burning Prohibited.

No trash or other waste such as garbage, leaves, construction debris, rubbish, plastic materials, leather, furniture or petroleum-based materials may be used to fuel any fire in an outdoor fireplace or fire pit within the Borough of Sea Bright. Only dry, seasoned firewood or prepackaged "Duraflame" type logs may be used as fuel for any fire in a fireplace or fire pit within the Borough of Sea Bright. The same shall be lighted by the minimal amount of newspaper or wood kindling necessary. Under no condition shall a flammable or combustible liquid such as lighter fluid, kerosene, gasoline or other combustible liquid be used to start, fuel or otherwise enhance any fire in a fireplace or fire pit in the Borough of Sea Bright.

§ 107-7. Extinguishment Required.

No person shall leave the contents of a fire pit burning or smoldering unattended and/or after use and proper extinguishment of the same is required. For the purpose of this chapter, proper extinguishment of the contents of a fire pit may be obtained by using a fire extinguisher with a minimum of a 4A rating or a garden hose with suitable water supply. The fire shall be properly and thoroughly extinguished and ashes are to be properly disposed no sooner than 48 hours after burning. Ashes may be stored in a metal can with a tightly fitted lid which is located at least five feet away from any building or other combustible surface or material.

§ 107-8. Enforcement.

The Sea Bright Police Department and the Code Enforcement Officer may enforce this chapter. Anyone authorized to enforce this chapter shall have the authority to immediately cause any person using a fire pit or fireplace within the Borough of Sea Bright to extinguish the same and order that the same not be used for an appropriate duration of time if said enforcement official believes that the continued use of a fire pit or fireplace may cause any of the following conditions:

- A. An increased risk of fire hazard due to wind or other atmospheric conditions.
- B. The use of any fireplace or fire pit in violation of this chapter.

§ 107-9. Precedence of Uniform Fire Code.

This chapter shall not apply to any burning that requires a permit to be obtained pursuant to the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code. To the extent this chapter is in conflict with the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code or the Uniform Construction Code, said Code shall take precedence.

§ 107-10. Violations and Penalties.

- A. The following penalties shall be applicable for any violations of this chapter:
- (1) For a first offense: a violator shall be informed of the violation and ordered to properly extinguish the fire contained in the fireplace or fire pit. The violator shall be given a verbal warning and shall be subject to increased penalties for subsequent violations.
- (2) For second offense: for any offense which occurs within a twenty-four month period of the first offense, a violator shall be subject to a fine of no less than \$50 and no more than \$500.
- (3) For third or subsequent offense: for any offense which occurs within 24 months of a second offense, said violator shall be subject to a fine of no less than \$50 and no more \$1,250.
- B. A violation will be considered a subsequent offense if a previous offense has occurred at the same property address within 24 months of a previous offense even if a citation was issued to another individual at said address.

SECTION TWO. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to die section, paragraph, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION THREE. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to die extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION FOUR. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication as provided by law.

INDIVIDUAL ACTION/New Business:

Vouchers: \$ 1,252,033.53

Councilmember Booker offered a motion to approve the <u>Voucher List</u> dated November 13, 2023 as submitted by the Finance Manager; seconded by Councilmember Keeler:

Roll Call:		Booker, Yes	Catalano, Yes		Keeler, Yes	
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01554 SEA BRIGHT SERVICE CENTER 23-01127 10/10/23	Open	114.90
01027 SHORE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS 23-01237 11/09/23 POLICE	Open	25.87
00053 SHORE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 23-00778 07/13/23 HIGH SCHOOL TAX	Open	184,110.84
2589 SNAPOLOGY OF MONMOUTH COUNTY 23-01204 11/08/23 LIBRARY	Open	175.00
02225 STAPLES ADVANTAGE 23-01182 10/19/23 Office Supplies	Open	544.90
2535 SUBURBAN DISPOSAL, INC. 23-01217 11/08/23 TRASH 23-01218 11/08/23 DUMPSTERS 23-01219 11/08/23 LANDFILL	Open	21,921.13 290.00 8,627.62
3115 T.R.WENIGER, INC. 23-01014 09/11/23 SEWER	Open	30,838.75
3127 TALEWISE 23-01221 11/08/23 LIBRARY	Open	425.00
00973 THE TWO RIVER TIMES 23-01216 11/08/23 CLERK	Open	27.66
01779 TIMOTHY HILL ELECTRIC CO., INC 23-01185 10/19/23 BEACH 23-01186 10/19/23 Buildings & Grounds	Open	570.00 2,240.00
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01403 TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY 23-01220 11/08/23 REGISTRAR	Open	200.00
02114 TWO RIVERS WATER RECLAMATION 23-01211 11/08/23 SEWER	Open	121,736.05
02109 ZUMU SOFTWARE 23-01231 11/09/23 A&E	Open	1,600.00

TOTAL: \$ 529,263.89

Manual Checks /	/ Wire Transfers	
23-01189	TREASURER, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH	\$590,488.88
11/15/2023	4/Q COUNTY TAX	
23-01190	TREASURER, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH	\$41,222.12
11/15/2023	4/Q COUNTY LIBRARY TAX	
23-01191	TREASURER, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH	\$90,104.97
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23-01175	VERIZON	\$353.72
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23-01174	VERIZON	\$88.99
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23-01173	VERIZON	\$510.96
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TOTAL: \$ 722,769.64

GRAND TOTAL: \$ 1,252,033.53

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Keeler reported that the First Aid Squad has finished up the modification of the ambulance for the new stretcher and are planning to schedule a demonstration for Council.

Councilman Bieber reported that he has been working with various departments on a cost benefit analysis for the bulkhead project to see if we are able to receive federal funds. Millenial, our grant consultant, has indicated the cost benefit analysis to get federal funding is going to be somewhat challenging because the primary thing they look at is the elevation and damage potential – with so many of our buildings elevated it might not be viable. In addition, the fee for submitting the grant would far exceed their monthly fee. Councilman Bieber has set up another meeting to review all of this and decide whether it makes sense to move forward for federal funding.

Councilman Lamia stated that he added a cement bench out by the playground and the foot wash station has been winterized. We also need to look into winterizing the irrigation systems.

Councilwoman Gorman reported that next Tuesday, November 21 will be the indoor farmers' market in the rec center – the vendors would like to continue the indoor market as long as Council agrees. The Monmouth Journal holiday issue will be featuring our Fire Department and hopefully it will bring in some donations.

Mayor Kelly stated that some Borough staff and Elected Officials will be heading down to the League of Municipalities conference in Atlantic City this week. We had a nice Veterans Day celebration and thanked Councilman Keeler for doing a great job and the Police and Fire Departments for their support.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session not held.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Keeler offered a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia

Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Pfeiffer Borough Clerk