

The **February 22, 2016** meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Spring Lake Heights, Monmouth County, New Jersey was called to order by Mayor Thomas O'Brien at 7:00 p.m. in the Frank E. Adams Municipal Building.

Present:

Councilman Arthur Herner
Councilwoman Sara King
Councilman Robert Merriken
Councilman James Shuler
Mayor Thomas O'Brien

Absent:

Councilman Christopher Campion
Councilman Thomas Vorbach

Also Attending:

Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk
Joseph J. Delaney, Jr., Administrator
Gary McLean, Esq., Borough Attorney

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Resolution No. R2016-52 Authorizing an Executive Session

Personnel: Public Works Director, Borough Engineer, Zoning Official, Code Official

Contract Negotiation: Verizon Lease

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mrs. King, Resolution R2016-52 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

8:00 p.m.-PUBLIC SESSION:CALL TO ORDER ▪ SILENT REFLECTION ▪ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Mayor reported the meeting was being conducted pursuant to the requirements of the N.J. Open Public Meetings Act with notice included in the annual notice of meetings sent to the Coast Star and Asbury Park Press; posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and on the Borough website.

APPROVE AGENDA

Mayor O'Brien asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Resolution No. 2016-58, Appointing Neil Hamilton as Zoning Official and Resolution No. 2016-59 Appointing Joe May as SMMUA representative.

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mrs. King, the agenda was approved as amended, by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

APPROVE MINUTES – February 8, 2016 Regular Session

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Shuler, the minutes of February 8, 2016 Regular Session were approved, by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

PRESENTATIONS - None

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS None

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only) None Presented

The voice of the public was closed on a motion by Mr. Merriken and seconded by Mr. Shuler without objection.

DISCUSSION ITEMS None

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mr. Delaney spoke on behalf of Councilman Campion that budget discussions will start in March.
- Councilman Herner with the resolution on the agenda appointing him Recreation Chair, he will be contacting Mr. Heeter about the programs offered.
- Councilwoman King reported that there was a meeting in Freehold that Joe May and Chief Petriken attended about the intersection of Warren & Old Mill. The project was in the design stage which included relocating utility lines, it should be started sometime in March and should be complete in about 6 months.
- Councilman Shuler – no report
- Councilman Merriken – reported that he met with the Licensed Water Operator Kevin Gerrity to get familiar with the pumping systems. He also was going to look into replacing fire hydrants.

REPORTS, NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE

- Memo from Spring Lake Heights Planning Board Re; Review of Application for Emergency Notification System
- Memo from Spring Lake Heights Board of Adjustment Re; Review of 2015 Board Decisions
- Annual Statistical Court Report for the year 2015
- Monthly Court Revenue Report - January 2016
- Monmouth County Bd. of Chosen Freeholders Resolution #2016-0182 Re: Supporting Senate Bill 86 & Assembly Bill 1244 - Establishing Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers
- Monmouth County Planning Division Re: Clearance Notification for 2015 CDBG Grant
- Assessment Demonstration Program Update Package prepared by Cliff Moore Tax Board Commissioner

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS None

RESOLUTIONS

- **R2016-53**, Establishing a Council Committee Chair for Parks & Recreation Committee

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2016-53 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

- **R2016-54**, Approving use of the Ocean Road Park Tennis Courts

On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2016-54 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

- **R2016-55**, Authorizing the Issuance of a Duplicate Tax Sale Certificate

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mrs. King, Resolution No. 2016-55 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

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Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

- **R2016-56**, Awarding Lease Bid for space on Borough's Water Tower to NY SMSA d/b/a Verizon

On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Merriken, Resolution No. 2016-56 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

- **R2016-57**, Approving Payment of Claims on the February 17, 2016 Bill List.

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2016-57 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

- **R2016-58**, appointing Neil Hamilton as Code Enforcement Officer/Zoning Officer for the year 2016.

On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2016-58 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

- **R2016-59**, appointing the Borough's representative on the Southeast Monmouth Municipal Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners – Joe May

On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Merriken, Resolution No. 2016-59 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Herner, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Campion, Mr. Vorbach

PUBLIC COMMENT (Any item)

None Presented

The voice of the public was closed on a motion by Mr. Merriken and seconded by Mr. Shuler without objection.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Herner, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:10p.m.


Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk

Approved: March 14, 2016