

**7:30 p.m. – Fire Prevention Poster Contest Awards 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>** Place awards for Grades Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup>

Fire Official Joseph Beliveau announced that back in October there was a Fire Prevention Poster Contest. Each year the theme is different with this year being “Check The Date, Before It’s Too Late”. He reviewed how a smoke detector works and reported that new detectors are available where you can record your own voice; it’s felt that children will respond to their parents’ voice. The posters were judged by a group of firemen. He, Mayor O’Brien and Kyle Forbes, Art Teacher at Spring Lake Heights Elementary School presented awards to the contest winners: The list of award winning students is attached to the back of these minutes.

The **May 8, 2017** meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Spring Lake Heights, Monmouth County, New Jersey was called to order by Mayor O’Brien at 8:00 p.m. in the Frank E. Adams Municipal Building with a moment of silence and a salute to the flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present:

Councilman Christopher Campion  
Councilman Richard Diver  
Councilwoman Sara King  
Councilman Robert Merriken  
Councilman James Shuler  
Councilman Joseph Tompey  
Mayor Thomas O’Brien

Absent: None

Also Attending:

Joseph J. Delaney, Jr., Administrator  
Gary McLean, Esq., Borough Attorney  
Thomas Seaman, Chief Financial Officer

### **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

Mayor O’Brien announced: Pursuant to the requirements of New Jersey's Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was included in the Annual Meeting Notice filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk; posted on the Borough website and in the Municipal Building; published as a legal notice in the Coast Star newspaper; and mailed to those requesting notice and providing payment.

### **APPROVE AGENDA**

Mrs. King made a motion to remove Resolution No. 2017-86; Awarding a Contract for Real Property Data Collection & Verification Services to Realty Data Systems, LLC, seconded by Mr. Diver, roll call as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey  
Nays: None                      Abstain: None                      Absent: None

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

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey  
Nays: None                      Abstain: None                      Absent: None

### **APPROVE MINUTES - April 24, 2017**

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mrs. King the April 24, 2017 minutes were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey  
Nays: None                      Abstain: Mr. Campion                      Absent: None

### **PRESENTATIONS**

None

**SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- **Resolution No. R2017-78** A Resolution of the Borough Council authorizing amendments to the 2017 Municipal Budget prior to adoption.

Motion was made by Mr. Campion to open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Merriken, roll call as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Mr. Delaney explained that the budget was introduced back in March; the public hearing was April 24<sup>th</sup>. At that time minor amendments were approved with the public hearing tonight. The net effect of the amendments listed equaled a 0 change to the budget.

Mayor O'Brien asked if council had any questions; there were none.

The public hearing was open to the public; none presented.

On a motion by Mr. Diver and seconded by Mr. Merriken the public comment period was closed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

On a motion by Mr. Diver, seconded by Mr. Merriken Resolution No. R2017-78 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only) None Presented**

On a motion by Mr. Merriken and seconded by Mr. Tompey the public comment period was closed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

**DISCUSSION ITEMS – Community Center Bids**

Mr. Delaney stated that the information on the bids submitted has been distributed. He reviewed that the notice for bids was published with the bid opening on May 4<sup>th</sup>. A total of 9 bid packages were purchased with only 2 proposals presented both of which exceeded the estimate.

Mr. Diver made a motion to reject all bids, seconded by Mr. Campion.

Mayor O'Brien announced that the estimate for the project was in the \$300K to \$400K; the bids received far exceed that amount.

Mr. Diver suggested going out to bid again and to contact those that did not submit as to why.

Mr. Campion offered that we should contact the other contractors in order to get feedback and work on re-vamping the bids.

Mr. Delaney stated that the architect was going to contact those that did not submit to gauge interest or lack thereof. Mr. Delaney added that attached to the information is a draft resolution to reject the bids, which could be moved on tonight.

Roll call on the motion to reject as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Mayor O'Brien asked about adding the Resolution and voting; Attorney McLean explained that the vote just taken rejects the bids and all that is required is a Resolution Number. Borough Clerk, Janine Gillis announced that it would be Resolution No. **R2017-88**.

**MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Councilman Diver – No Report; he added that the Little League Golf Outing was today and raised money for them.
- Councilman Campion - Reminded all that this week is hurricane preparedness; he reminded everyone to check flashlights, batteries, extra water etc.; the object is to be prepared.
- Councilman Shuler – reported that the repair work to the curb & sidewalk at the Public Works facility has started.
- Councilwoman King – Reminded everyone that she stated that at a previous meeting it was announced that she was moving forward to develop an ordinance regarding canvassers and solicitors. She announced that she has been working with Chief Petriken & Mr. Delaney gathering information. We're putting together an ordinance which will also include a Do Not Knock list. She also wanted to report that a resident on Beverly Ave. had a severe diabetic episode and wanted to thank all of those responders that saved her; she is extremely grateful for saving her life.
- Councilman Merriken – No Report
- Councilman Tompey – Announced that the registration for summer camp is starting on May 11<sup>th</sup>. He added that there are 3 evening registrations on, May 11, 17<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Mayor O'Brien – Reminded everyone that the Pink Event is tomorrow night at Fairway Mews, you'll enter from Warren Ave.

Borough Clerk, Janine Gillis announced that anyone wishing to attend please call Borough Hall to register and if you're wearing pink you'll be eligible to win a prize. She also announced there's a sign up sheet in the hall and tonight we have pink light bulbs for sale with the proceeds going to the Pink Fund which pays for mammograms for men and woman that do not have insurance or underinsured.

**REPORTS, NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE**

- Letter from Monmouth County Division of Planning Re: Continued Participation in the CDBG Program
- Letter from Monmouth County Division of Planning Re: FY2018 Community Development Block Grant
- Letter from Ragan & Ragan Re: Notice of Planning Board Hearing May 17, 2017 901 Warren Ave. Block 25 Lots 11,13,27
- Spring Lake Heights Certificate & Report of School Taxes for the 2017-2018 School Year
- Mail from Rich & Maureen Caunitz Re: Request for a No Parking sign on Sixth Ave

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS None****RESOLUTIONS**

- **R2017-85**, Approving the Adoption of the 2017 Municipal Budget

On a motion by Mr. Diver, seconded by Mr. Merriken, Resolution No. 2017-85 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: Mr. Tompey Absent: None

- **R2017-87**, Approving the Payment of Itemized Claims as set forth on the May 5, 2017 Bill List

On a motion by Mr. Diver, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2017-87 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: Mr. Tompey Absent: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Any item)**

Bill Moloney 909 Ocean Road - Asked about a No Knock List and if includes religious solicitation. Mrs. King replied that she believes religious organizations are exempt.

Kat Crippen 564 Atlantic Ave. – Asked if there will be provisions preventing realtors from soliciting, Mrs. King replied yes. Ms. Crippen reported that her neighbors on Atlantic Ave were approached about selling their home. Mr. Diver announced that anyone that is harassed should call the police and that anyone soliciting should have a permit. Mrs. King added that they are working to cover many issues in developing the ordinance.

Andrea Patterson 110 Ninth Ave. - She recently had an experience with a cable company soliciting at 8pm. Sgt. Gunnell was in the audience and asked that if the solicitor doesn't have a permit or is present beyond the proper time to call the police and give them a description. With a description they could locate the person in the neighborhood. A summons could be issued. Officer Ramp added that with a solicitors permit they are only allowed to canvas until 5:00 PM.

Erin Willms 106 Meadowbrook Road - Reported that she had someone come to her home and she did make a call to dispatch and since she had a scanner could hear they couldn't relay the description that she had given. She also suggested that signs are posted at the Borough parking lots that overnight parking is not permitted. She offered that May is brain cancer awareness month and that perhaps next year the town could be decorated in grey.

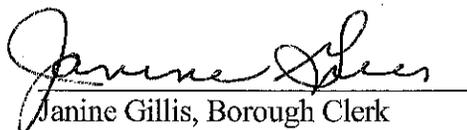
On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Tompey, the public comment period was closed; roll call taken as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Diver, Mrs. King, Mr. Merriken, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Tompey

Nays: None      Abstain: None      Absent: None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Tompey, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:35 p.m.

  
Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk

Approved: May 22, 2017

**Spring Lake Heights  
2017  
Fire Prevention Winners**

Kindergarten

KR Kylie Cappiello 1<sup>st</sup> place  
KY Rebel Foran 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
KR Lamees Elabasy 3<sup>rd</sup> place

First Grade

1K Daniel Ball 1<sup>st</sup> place  
1K William "Liam" Ludwig 2<sup>nd</sup> place ~ 2  
1K Kara Walla 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Second Grade

2RS Jacob Circelli 1<sup>st</sup> place  
2RS Autumn Angelini 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
2RS Doyle Fagen 3<sup>rd</sup> place ~ 2

Third Grade

3S Christopher Rechner 1<sup>st</sup> place  
3S Kieran Schneider 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
3S Deavin Santos 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Fourth Grade

4R Grace Clark 1<sup>st</sup> place ~ 3  
4V Brien Ely 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
4V Henry McLean 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Fifth Grade

5R Morgan Mechler 1<sup>st</sup> place  
5R Mackenzie Brennan 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
5M Kaylin McCarthy 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Sixth Grade

6O Margaret "Mollie" Bodnar 1<sup>st</sup> place ~  
6O Edward "Eddie" Gunnell  
6S Marielle Bersalona 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Seventh Grade

7W Colleen Dickenson 1<sup>st</sup> place

7W Cristian Caamano 2<sup>nd</sup> place

7P Emma Heuer 3<sup>rd</sup> place ~ 2

Eighth Grade

8Ku Julia Kusmenko 1<sup>st</sup> place

8Ki Victoria Romano 2<sup>nd</sup> place

8Ku Jenna DeFazio 3<sup>rd</sup> place

**Spring Lake Heights Division Winners**

Division # 1

1K Daniel Ball 1<sup>st</sup> place

Division # 2

5R Morgan Mechler 1<sup>st</sup> place

Division # 3

7W Colleen Dickenson 1<sup>st</sup> place