

The **September 11, 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  
Councilwoman Sara King  
Councilman Robert Merriken  
Councilman James Shuler  
Councilman Joseph Tompey  
Mayor Thomas O'Brien

### Absent:

Councilman Richard Diver

### Also Attending:

Gary McLean, Esq., Borough Attorney

## **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**

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

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

## **APPROVE MINUTES - August 24, 2017 Regular Session**

On a motion by Mr. Merriken seconded by Mr. Shuler, the minutes of August 24, 2017 were approved by the following vote:

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

## **PRESENTATIONS None**

## **SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS None**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only)**

Rita Murphy 2014 Highway 71 stated that there is a promotion to Sergeant, where's the promotion for a Lt.? Isn't a part of our Borough code. Mr. Campion replied that promotions are still a work in process.

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

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

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS - None**

## **MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilman Tompey - No Report  
Councilman Merriken - No Report  
Councilwoman King - No Report

Councilman Shuler - Reported that the paving of Wall Road is complete and the sidewalk in front of Borough Hall has been replaced.

Councilman Campion – wanted to add that Wall Road is great and the Borough would be putting in crosswalks and markings on it. We’re looking into something similar to Belmar Blvd. with markings and stripes. Our engineer is looking into what we could do.

Mayor O’Brien – announced that the Flu/Pneumonia clinic would be on September 21<sup>st</sup> in the Borough office and the free rabies clinic will be at the Fire House on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

**REPORTS, NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE**

- Millstone Township Resolution No. 17-152, Urging the State Legislature to Pass Common Sense Affordable Housing Rules
- South Monmouth Regional Sewerage Authority Re-Scheduled Public Meeting September 14, 2017
- JCP&L Public Notice - Meeting September 18, 2017- Proposed Increase in Remediation Adjustment Clause
- NJNG Public Notice - Meeting Sept. 5 & 7, 2017 – Proposed Rate Adjustments

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS**

**RESOLUTIONS**

- **R2017-151**, Designating Various Officials and Individuals to Represent the Borough and Submit Required Applications, Certifications and Reports

Janine Gillis announced that John Barrett is listed as Borough Administrator; it will be changed to Interim Borough Administrator

On a motion by Mr. Campion, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution R2017-151 was approved by the following vote:

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

- **R2017-152**, Authorizing the submission of the 2016 Recycling Tonnage Grant Application

On a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Tompey, Resolution R2017-152 was approved by the following vote:

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

- **R2017-153**, Approving of a Social Affair Permit – Independent Fire Company # 1

On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Campion, Resolution R2017-153 was approved by the following vote:

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

Mr. Campion announced that this is a wine tasting event that the police are doing at the fire house on October 20th, tickets are \$50.00.

- **R2017-154**, Authorizing the Cancellation of Property Taxes – Totally Disabled Veterans

On a motion by Mr. Tompey, seconded by Mr. Merriken, Resolution R2017-154 was approved by the following vote:

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

- **R2017-155**, Appointing a Sergeant in the Police Department – Robert Shafer

On a motion by Mr. Champion, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution R2017-155 was approved by the following vote:

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

- **R2017-156**, Appointing a Probationary Patrolman in the Police Department – Michael A. Dolan

On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Champion, Resolution R2017-156 was approved by the following vote:

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

- **R2017-157**, Appointing a Probationary Patrolman in the Police Department – Ian G. Davis

On a motion by Mr. Champion, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution R2017-157 was approved by the following vote:

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

- **R2017-158**, Appointing a Class II Special Officer in the Police Department – Samantha Levy

On a motion by Mr. Champion, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution R2017-158 was approved by the following vote:

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

Mayor O'Brien congratulated all.

- **R2017-159**, Approving designated memberships in the Fire Department

On a motion by Mr. Champion, seconded by Mr. Merriken, Resolution R2017-159 was approved by the following vote:

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

- **R2017-160**, Approving the payment of claims as listed on the September 8, 2017 Bill List

On a motion by Mr. Champion, seconded by Mr. Merriken, Resolution R2017-160 was approved by the following vote:

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT (Any item)**

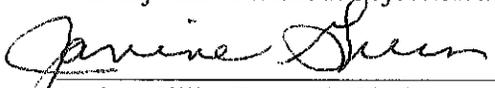
George Corbeels 6 Nadine Drive commented that the paving on Wall Road went very well, motorists are speeding. He stated that one of the speed limit signs is blocked by tree branches, and the frame from the electronic sign is still up. He added that there are only 3 signs on the entire length of the road. Mr. Merriken asked if he thought having the speed limit painted on the road would be unsightly, Mr. Corbeels replied no. Mr. Corbeels reminded council about the posting of the electronic speed limits directly to the pole. Mr. Champion added that previously he spoke about LED lighting. Mr. Champion explained that it's a part of the energy audit that is being done and through the audit of our buildings a report will be generated with recommendations; the Borough will then move forward to obtain grants to make improvements based on the audit.

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

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Merriken, seconded by Mr. Tompey, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:13 p.m.

  
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Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk

Approved: September 25, 2017