

The **March 25, 2019** 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 7:00 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 Leonard Capristo
Councilman William Graetz
Councilwoman Sara King
Councilman James Shuler
Mayor Thomas O'Brien

Absent:

Councilman Richard Diver

Also attending:

Dennis Collins, Borough Attorney

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. Graetz, the agenda will be amended to add Resolution 2019-78, authorizing submission of an application for State of New Jersey-Dept. of Environmental Protection Green Acres Grant Program; by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver

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

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver

APPROVE MINUTES - Executive & Regular of March 4, 2019

On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Graetz, the Regular Session minutes of March 4, 2019 were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: Mr. Campion Absent: Mr. Diver

PRESENTATIONS - None

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS - 2019 Green Acres Application

Mr. Joe May, Borough Engineer, recommended an application for a Green Acres Grant from NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection for Allaire Road Park. He and Councilwoman King met and discussed the options for a submission and selected the Joseph E. Robertson Park, commonly known as Allaire Road Park. The scope of the project would include the replanting of trees and other improvements such as pathways, fencing etc. The majority of the trees in this park were destroyed during Super Storm Sandy and the remaining trees (mostly perimeter trees) have continued to pose a significant threat to safety and welfare as they were left unprotected and continue to fall in less than major storm events. Planting is required to re-establish a buffer for the residences located adjacent to this park and to provide a passive park like setting.

On a motion by Mr. Campion, seconded by Mr. Graetz, the Public Hearing was opened by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: Absent: Mr. Diver

No comment

On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Graetz, the Public Hearing was closed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: Absent: Mr. Diver

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only)

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mrs. King, the Public Comment Section was opened by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: Absent: Mr. Diver

No comment

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Capristo, the Public Comment Section was closed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Campion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler

Nays: None Abstain: Absent: Mr. Diver

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Graetz – reported on meeting with Erik Nieciewski who will have great ideas for Rec Program for all ages across all seasons if approved as Recreation Director.

Mr. Campion – reported Police Dept. had 765 calls in February; First Aid had 73 calls in January and 74 calls in February.

Mr. Shuler – no report

Mrs. King – believes Green Acres Grant is excellent, invited Joe May to share details. Joe reported on plan to add 8-10 ft. deciduous trees with deeper roots, tall pint trees will go, hope to create buffer, enhance open area with walkways etc.

Mr. May also up-dated Community Center project: removed old equipment, materials; installing new drainage, new tot-lot to go in back; hope to have completed by Memorial Day.

Mr. Capristo – reported progress on current utility projects: reconstruction of pump stations, hydrant replacement project and well rehabilitation project.

REPORTS, NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE

- Spring Lake Heights Municipal Court February report
- Spring Lake Heights Police Department February report
- Spring Lake First Aid Squad January and February reports
- County of Monmouth Public Notice – Reclamation Center rate increase of \$3.50/ton as of 4/1/19
- Monmouth County Park System Public Hearing – April 2 & April 16, 2019 RE: New Jersey American Water Howell to Lakewood Transmission Main Project
- Township of Wall Public Hearing - March 27, 2019 RE: Ordinance No 4-2019; detached garages

- Borough of Spring Lake Hearing – March 26, 2019 RE: Amending & Supplementing Chapter 225 Section 35 (A)
- Board of Public Utilities Public Hearing – April 11, 2019

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS - None

RESOLUTIONS

- **R2019-68**, Authorizing renewal of franchise agreement with New Jersey Natural Gas
On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Graetz, Resolution No. R2019-68 was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver
- **R2019-69**, Authoring the transfer of 2018 Municipal Budget Appropriations
On a motion by Mr. Champion, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2019-69 was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver
- **R2019-70**, Authorizing to enter into an agreement with Director of Public Works-Joseph May
On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Champion, Resolution No. 2019-70 was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver
- **R2019-71**, Appointing of Recreation Director – Erik Niciewski
On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2019-71 was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver
- **R2019-72**, Permitting use of Ocean Road Park by NJ RAGE Fastpitch Softball
On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Graetz, Resolution No. 2019-72 was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver
- **R2019-73**, Approving use of Community Center by Tiny Treasures Nursery School
On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2019-73 was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver
- **R2019-74**, Approving the Issuance of an Alcoholic Beverage Control Social Affair Permit for the Independent Fire Company No. 1
On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Shuler, Resolution No. 2019-74 was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver

- **R2019-75**, Approving payment of itemized claims as set forth on the March 15, 2019 Bills List

On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Graetz, Resolution No. 2019-75 was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver
(Mr. Capristo abstained from approving the Ansell bills.)

- **R2019-76**, Establishing Fees for the 2019 summer recreation camp

On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mrs. King, Resolution No. 2019-76 was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver

- **R2019-77**, Approving use of Borough Property

On a motion by Mr. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Graetz, Resolution No. 2019-77 was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver

- **R2019-78**, Authorizing application to NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program

On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Graetz, Resolution No. 2019-78 was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Diver

PUBLIC COMMENT (Any item)

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mrs. King, the Public Comment Section was opened by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: Absent: Mr. Diver

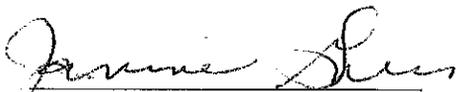
No comment

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Capristo, the Public Comment Section was closed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Champion, Mr. Capristo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King, Mr. Shuler
Nays: None Abstain: Absent: Mr. Diver

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Capristo, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:20p.m.


Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk

Approved: April 1, 2019