

The September 5, 2023 Executive Session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Spring Lake Heights, Monmouth County, New Jersey was called to order by Mayor Campion at 6:30 p.m. in the Frank E. Adams Municipal Building with a moment of silence and a salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Councilman John Casagrande
Councilwoman Michele Degnan-Spang
Councilman William Graetz
Councilman Christopher Willms
Mayor Christopher Campion

Absent:

Councilman Leonard Capristo
Councilwoman Sara King

Also attending:

Dennis Collins, Borough Attorney
Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk
John Barrett, Borough Administrator

Mayor Campion 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.

Attorney Collins read the resolution into the record.

- **R2023-150**, Authorizing an Executive Session and Permitting the Governing Body to exclude the public from a portion of a public meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following portion of this meeting dealing with the following generally described matters shall not be open to the public: Collective bargaining, contract negotiations, personnel, attorney client privilege

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is anticipated that the matters to be considered in private may be disclosed to the Public at a later date under the following circumstance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that private consideration is deemed required and is permitted because of the following noted exceptions set forth in the Act:

- _____ 1. Rendered confidential by Federal law or that if disclosed would impair receipt of Federal funds.
- _____ 2. Rendered confidential by State Statute or Court Rule.
- _____ 3. Would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
- _____ 4. Deals with collective bargaining, including negotiation positions.
- _____ 5. Deals with purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds.
- _____ 6. Related to setting of bank rates or the investment of public funds and disclosure could adversely affect the public interest.
- _____ 7. Related to tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public and disclosure may adversely affect the public.
- _____ 8. Related to investigation of violations or possible violations of the law.
- X 9. Related to pending/anticipated litigation or contract negotiations in which the public body is or may be a party.

- X 10. Falls within the attorney-client privilege and confidentiality is required.
- _____ 11. Deals with personnel matters of public employees and employees have not requested that the matter be made public.
- _____ 12. Quasi-judicial deliberations after public hearing that may result in imposition of a civil penalty or suspension or loss of a license or permit.

On a motion by Mr. Casagrande, seconded by Mr. Graetz, Resolution No. 2022-150 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Willms, the executive session was adjourned without objection at 6:50 p.m.

The September 5, 2023 regular session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Spring Lake Heights, Monmouth County, New Jersey was called to order by Mayor Campion 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 John Casagrande
Councilwoman Michele Degnan-Spang
Councilman William Graetz
Councilman Christopher Willms
Mayor Christopher Campion

Absent:

Councilman Leonard Capristo
Councilwoman Sara King

Also attending:

Dennis Collins, Borough Attorney
Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk
John Barrett, Borough Administrator
Ed Gunnell, Chief of Police
Judge Colin Quinn

Mayor Campion 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 Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Willms, the agenda was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

RESOLUTIONS

- **R2023-153**, Appointing a probationary patrolman – Matthew
Police Chief Ed Gunnell spoke about Matthew's education, experience, and current position in the Borough of Spring Lake.

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Willms, Resolution No. R2023-153 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms, Mayor Campion
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

Judge Quinn swore in Matthew Bogdan as a Spring Lake Heights Police Patrolman.

- **R2023-154**, Appointing a probationary patrolman – Ronald Velardi, III

Chief Gunnell spoke about Ronald’s education, experience, and his excitement for being part of the community.

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Resolution No. R2023-153 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms, Mayor Campion
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

Judge Quinn swore in Ronald Velardi, III as a Spring Lake Heights Police Patrolman.

Mayor Campion spoke about the progress and pride he has in the Spring Lake Heights Police Department. He welcomed the new officers and wished them the best of luck in their careers.

APPROVE MINUTES - August 21, 2023

On a motion by Mrs. Degnan-Spang, seconded by Mr. Willms, the August 21, 2023 minutes were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Willms, Mayor Campion
Nays: None Abstain: Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Graetz Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

PRESENTATIONS – None

DISCUSSION ITEMS – None

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilman Casagrande – Mr. Casagrande spoke about the resolution certifying the governing body budget reviewed. He attended the audit conference and informed that the Borough received no comment from the auditor on the budget.

Councilman Graetz – No report

Councilman Willms – No report

Councilwoman Degnan-Spang – Mrs. Degnan-Spang reported on various public works projects including the emergency generator at the Fairway Mews and the Borough is looking for more applications for Public Works employees.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Any Item)

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Casagrande, the public comment section was opened by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

None Presented

On a motion by Mr. Casagrande, seconded by Mr. Graetz, the public comment section was closed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

REPORTS, NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE

- JCP&L Public Notice Sept. 20, 2023 Re: Basic Generation Service

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS – None

CONSENT AGENDA Resolutions R2023-151 to R2023-152

Consent Agenda items are considered routine and will be enacted with a single motion; any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of Funds; any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the minutes.

- **R2023-151**, Approving outdoor music on designated dates – The Shore Club

- **R2023-152**, Authorizing the waiving of food handling permit and fire safety permit fee for the 2023 Fall Festival

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

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

RESOLUTIONS

- **R2023-155**, Certifying that the Governing Body review of the 2022 audit

On a motion by Mr. Casagrande, seconded by Mr. Willms, Resolution No. R2023-155 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

- **R2023-156**, Approving the payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the August 31, 2023 bills list

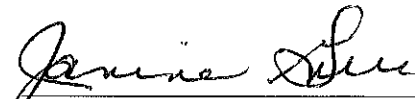
On a motion by Mr. Willms, seconded by Mr. Graetz, Resolution No. R2023-156 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Casagrande, Mrs. Degnan-Spang, Mr. Graetz, Mr. Willms

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Capristo, Mrs. King

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mrs. Degnan-Spang, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:18 p.m.


Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk

Approved: October 2, 2023