

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
November 9, 2022 - 7:00 PM

The Regular/virtual Meeting of the Borough of Sea Girt Council was called to order by Mayor Don Fetzter at 7:04 PM on Wednesday, November 9, 2022. Mayor Fetzter asked for a moment of silence; he then led those participating in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Municipal Clerk read the compliance statement: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L.1975: adequate notice of this meeting has been given by posting the Notice on the Borough’s Bulletin Board and by transmitting the Notice to the Borough’s two official newspapers, *The Asbury Park Press* and *The Coast Star*, as required by law

1. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Mayor Fetzter	X	
Councilman Clemmensen	X	
Councilman Perry		X
Councilman Zakin	X	
Council President Anthony	X	
Councilman Downey	X	
Councilwoman Richman	X	

2. PRESENTATION – Mayor Fetzter presented Rick Papera, Superintendent and the Sea Girt BOE a Certificate of Recognition for their outstanding achievement being voted #1 Best Public Elementary School, #1 Best Public Elementary School Teachers, #1 Best Public Middle School and #1 Best Public Middle School Teachers in Monmouth County! Sea Girt Elementary School is also placed high on both the State and National rankings.

3. CONSENT AGENDA – UPON MOTION of Councilman Clemmensen, seconded by Councilman Zakin, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

- **R-180-2022: Authorize Purchasing Agreement Cellco Partnership, D/B/A Verizon Wireless for Telecommunication Purposes**

UPON MOTION of Council President Anthony, seconded by Councilman Zakin, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS; Verizon Wireless (“Contractor”) and the State of Utah, for itself and on behalf of NASPO ValuePoint (“NASPO VALUEPOINT” and/or Customer”), have entered into a Master Agreement #MA152 for Telecommunication Purposes; and

WHEREAS: By executing this Purchasing Entity Agreement, the Purchasing Entity certifies that it has all approvals required by law, regulation or otherwise to complete purchases under the PA, and further represents and agrees to this Purchasing Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt hereby authorizes Administrator, James Gant to execute the Purchasing Entity Agreement on behalf of the Sea Girt Borough is hereby approved. Be and the same is hereby authorized

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X			
Councilman Perry			X	
Councilman Zakin	X			

Council President Anthony	X			
Councilman Downey	X			
Councilwoman Richman	X			

4. APPROVE MINUTES

- **R-181-2022: Approve Minutes, October 26, 2022 – Regular/Virtual Meeting**

UPON MOTION of Councilman Zakin, seconded by Councilman Clemmensen, carried, that the Minutes of the Virtual Regular Meeting held October 26, 2022 be and the same are hereby approved.

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X			
Councilman Perry			X	
Councilman Zakin	X			
Council President Anthony	X			
Councilman Downey	X			
Councilwoman Richman	X			

- **R-182-2022: Approve Executive Session Minutes, October 26, 2022**

UPON MOTION of Councilman Zakin, seconded by Councilwoman Richman, carried, that the Minutes of the Virtual Regular Meeting held October 26, 2022 be and the same are hereby approved.

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X			
Councilman Perry			X	
Councilman Zakin	X			
Council President Anthony	X			
Councilman Downey	X			
Councilwoman Richman	X			

5. OPEN DISCUSSION

Mayor Fetzer congratulated Tom Downey and Brian Perry on their re-election and he thanked Jane Boyle for her efforts on her campaign.

Councilman Clemmensen thanked all Veterans; The Recreation Commission with The Fire Company is hosting a Veterans Day breakfast on Saturday at 8am at the Fire House; Veterans and families should take advantage of federal and county Veteran ID cards and benefits; WWII Memorial has a kiosk to look up family members, it's a great way to preserve family history; this year is also the 40th Anniversary of the Vietnam Memorial.

Councilman Downey and on behalf of Councilman Perry thanked residents for re-electing them to serve as councilmembers; he noted he spoke with Jane Boyle and recognized her time running a great campaign.

Councilman Zakin congratulated Councilpersons Downey and Perry as well as Congressman Smith, Sheriff Golden, Tom Arnone and Nick DiRocco as well as other candidates; he thanked all voters and noted it unofficially was a record turnout.

Council President Anthony thanked Clerk Harriman for her efforts during the election process, as well as Mr. Gant and the poll workers. The Shade Tree and Recreation Commission is doing their tree plantings on November 12th at Edgemere Park; all volunteers please wear supportive shoes, gloves, rain jacket and bring a shovel. The Conservancy and Shade Tree Commission will be hosting a free two-hour seminar by Forester, Bill Brash at the SGES on November 19th; topics include tree pruning techniques, selecting nursery stock plant materials, street tree selections and our healthy forest. Starting on November 16th the Planning Board meetings will be a hybrid platform at the school and via zoom.

Mayor Fetzer noted 2023 council meeting dates will be conducted once a month; dates will be available on the website after the re-org meeting on January 4th.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none

7. NEW BUSINESS - none

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Clemmensen reported that the Police Department is participating in “No Shave November” to raise money for Tunnels to Towers Foundation; please donate to the “Sea Girt Police Officers Association” add Tunnels to Towers in the memo area of the check. Please remember to lock and secure your property against theft. Chief Macko commented the Police Department we will be holding a “Faith in Blue Christmas Toy Drive” drop off locations are Sea Girt Borough Hall, Sea Girt Elementary School and on December 10th from 11am to 3:00 pm at St. Denis Church. He also noted the Police Department pledged with the International Association Chiefs of Police Trust Building Campaign which seeks to enhance trust between police agencies and their communities. He further commented there were two attempted burglaries, neither attempt had gained access to the homes; extra patrols have been placed on duty; potential license plate readers are being discussed with the Public Safety Committee. Curbside pickup leaf pickup continues through November 30th.

Councilman Zakin had no report.

Councilwoman Richman reported Coffee with the Cops was successful; SGES had an assembly on the dangers of vaping; she congratulated SGES for being voted #1 in Monmouth County and for their successful craft market.

Councilman Downey had no report.

Council President Anthony reported an overview of the feasibility study prepared by CME regarding the Borough Hall renovations which includes upgrading code compliance, safety concerns, electrical, plumbing, fire safety egress, new windows for energy efficiency; HVAC, sewer upgrades, flooring and roofing repairs.

Mayor Fetzer reported at the Library Trustee meeting there was a presentation prepared by a Strategic Plan consultant which will be available to the public in the near future. He thanked everyone who participated in the food drive, it was a tremendous turnout. Bids will be available on November 10th to repair Chicago Boulevard sewer backup; work should begin in January 2023. Infrastructure improvements are being done on Beacon Boulevard by JCP&L to improve power lines.

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – 2022 Best Practices Inventory

Mr. Gant reported for Councilman Perry that the Christmas Tree Lighting Event will be December 2nd at the Plaza starting 5:00pm with the Holiday Market; tree lighting at 7:00 pm. The Veterans breakfast begins at 8:00 am on November 12th.

Mr. Gant reported the results of the 2022 Best Practices Inventory which is completed annually. It assesses the municipalities compliance laws, evaluates the implementation of fiscal and operational best practices. The Borough submitted a score of 32.5 out of 36.5 points.

Chief Macko congratulated Mr. Papera and the BOE on their recognition of achievement. He reported data on EMS from July – October 23rd.

Mayor Fetzer acknowledged a letter sent from resident Jan Barkley to the Boroughs Auditor; he asked the auditor for a response.

10. R-183-2022: PAY BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt, County of Monmouth that the bills to be paid as appearing on the attached bill lists dated November 9, 2022 in the totals as follows:

Current Fund	\$ 456,199.43
Water Operating Fund	\$ 6,847.25
Beach Operating Fund	\$ 887.81
Trust Other	\$ 15,555.00
Board of Recreation Trust	\$ 2,836.53

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X			
Councilman Perry			X	
Councilman Zakin	X			
Council President Anthony	X			
Councilman Downey	X			
Councilwoman Richman	X			

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ANY SUBJECT: There were no comments from the public present.

There being no further business, and **UPON MOTION** of Councilman Clemmensen, seconded by Councilman Zakin, carried, that the meeting be finally and immediately adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Dawn Harriman

Dawn Harriman, RMC
Municipal

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING IS DECEMBER 14, 2022