

**REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
November 12, 2020**

Meeting called to order via ZOOM and in-person at 7:00 p.m. by President McGuigan with a salute to the flag.

Roll call was recorded as follows:

Present: Dill, Johnston, D’Adamo, Toto, Owen, McGuigan

Absent: Gerety

Also Present: Mayor Glasser, Administrator Swain, Assistant City Administrator Frost, City Clerk Samuelson, Deputy City Clerk Heath, City Solicitor Thomas Smith

Open Public Meetings Act:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided. Agenda for this meeting has been provided to two local newspapers and posted in the City Clerk’s Office and on the City’s website, somerspointgov.org. The meeting was held via ZOOM platform due to the pandemic of COVID-19. Council President McGuigan announced the instructions for joining the meeting electronically.

Communications:

Council President McGuigan read a letter from a new resident expressing sincere appreciation of the Department of Public Works.

Mayor’s Report:

Mayor Glasser reported that Halloween was a great success. Mayor Glasser shared that the Veterans Day Service was very successful and well attended. He thanked City Administrator Swain, Assistant City Administrator Frost, Clerk Samuelson, the Department of Public Works, the Volunteer Fire Companies and the Police Department. Mayor Glasser was pleased with the Purple Heart Way dedication on the Bike Path and thanked Mr. Drew Holmes and the students at Atlantic County Institute of Technology. Additionally, Mayor Glasser expressed his appreciation to Commander Frolow, U. S. Congressman Van Drew, State Senator Brown and American Patriot Veteran’s Advocate Marco Polio Smigliani.

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Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Swain reported that the Patriots of Somers Mansion approached the State regarding use of the property between the mansion and the Atlantic County Historical Society. Mr. Swain indicated the State may transfer the property or give the City control of property and recommended the City to consider a long-term plan. Council President McGuigan looks forward to hearing from the State.

Wes Swain, City Administrator, reported and explained the Storm Water Management Plan, noting the City has a Tier A permit. The permit addresses storm water quality issues as it relates to new and existing development by implementing statewide basic requirements. The City has 43 outfall pipes, and each year they are inspected. The City operates 649 catch basins and has annual employee training.

Solicitors Report:

No report

Committee Reports:

Council President McGuigan reported that he and City Engineer had a discussion with South Jersey Gas Company (SJ Gas) relative to new types of work that SJ Gas proposed in addition to replacement of mains that includes the installation of Emergency Flow Values (EFV) for each resident that involved cutting up a number of streets. City Engineer Schneider explained that it is a safety feature that includes a number of streets that are under moratorium. In an effort not to disrupt residents with construction so soon after already experiencing repaving of their streets, Engineer Schneider discussed with SJ Gas that any street that had been repaved in the past three years would not be eligible for the installation of the EFV until a later date. Mr. Schneider informed the Governing Body and public that SJ Gas is required to restore the streets after installation of the EFV.

Approval of Minutes:

On the motion of Councilman Dill, seconded of Councilman Owen and carried to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 10/22 and Special Meeting Minutes 11/4 were approved.

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Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 10 of 2020

Introduction/First Reading

M/S- Owen/Johnston

Councilman D'Adamo motioned to amend to a 30 days turnaround, seconded by Council President McGuigan and by roll vote: D'Adamo-yes; Dill-recuse; Johnston-no; Owen-no; Toto-no; McGuigan-yes. The amendment was defeated.

The ordinance was adopted by roll call vote of those present with Councilman D'Adamo and Council President McGuigan voting no, and Councilman Dill abstaining.

City Solicitor Thomas Smith explained that the ordinance addresses the issue of short term rentals, and by statute a city can regulate rentals that are rented less than 175 consecutive days. Mr. Smith explained how the ordinance addresses inspections, fees, mercantile licenses, length of stay, number of tenants allowed, minimum nights of stay, responsibilities of the landlord of short term rentals and other requirements and regulations.

Council President McGuigan indicated that this ordinance facilitates short term rentals and opines that a new set of strangers every week in our neighbors is not right or fair for our residents.

Councilwoman Johnston indicated this ordinance will allow the City to have some control regarding the safety of tenants utilizing short term rentals. Councilwoman Johnston reported that short term rental companies intend to begin working with municipalities indicating on their website and in their agreements the requirements of municipalities. She indicated that short term rentals will generate income and tourism while giving the City some control.

City Solicitor Smith indicated that there are regulations in place to enforce rentals.

Council President McGuigan noted that the City currently has rental regulations; however, the current City Code does not facilitate short term rentals. Council President McGuigan talked to his neighborhood and opined that short term rentals will be disruptive to the neighborhood. Council President McGuigan indicated that short terms rentals could be an economic engine and bring people into town, but it is not a driving economy. Council President McGuigan shared that Northfield, Mays Landing and Linwood adopted policies for a 30-day minimum turnaround along with Egg Harbor Township, except for Anchorage Point and Seaview Harbor. He stated that Ocean City is set up as a rental community whereas Somers Point is not.

Councilwoman Johnston shared that the reviews for Air BNB's for Somers Point are very favorable noting great restaurants and a great little beach. She stated that Somers Point is not like Northfield, Linwood or Mays Landing, because we are a boating town.

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ORDINANCE NO. 10 of 2020

**An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Somers Point
Municipal Code Chapter 169, Littering and Property Maintenance;
Article V, Registration and Inspection of Certain Rental Units,
Apartments and Dwelling Units.**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:52-1 authorizes a Municipality, by Ordinance, to license and regulate the rental of real property for a term less than 175 consecutive days for residential purposes by a person having a permanent place of residence elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somers Point recognizes that there exists a growing business for short-term residential rentals available on the internet which certain Somers Point residential property owners are availing themselves to; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somers Point believes that it is important for purposes of health and safety to license and regulate this new form of business; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 169, Article V of the City's Code currently contains ordinances which provide oversight and control of the residential rental units in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of amending and supplementing these ordinances so as to recognize, and to provide oversight of this growing business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey as follows:

The Somers Point Municipal Code Chapter 169, Littering and Property Maintenance; Article V, Registration and Inspection of Certain Rental Units, Apartments and Dwelling Units, is hereby amended and supplemented to add the following in the Sections denoted herein:

Section 169-46. Definitions.

Short-Term Rental

Any rental unit rented for a term less than 175 consecutive days for residential purposes by a person having a permanent place of residence elsewhere.

Section 169-47. Registration required; registration certificate; license.

C. Information to be provided in the registration certificate:

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(13) For all short-term rentals the requirements of Subsection C(8), paragraphs (c), (d) and (i), need not be provided at the time of said registration. However, this information is to be obtained, recorded and maintained in ledger form by said Landlord and

supplied to the Code Enforcement Officer of the City of Somers Point, or his/her designee, either upon demand or at the time of the annual inspection of said rental unit as set forth in Subsection B of Section 169-48. The applicant shall also provide on the registration form the maximum number of occupants that will be renting, occupying and/or staying at the property at any one time.

G. All short-term rentals, as operating businesses, are also required to obtain a mercantile license as set forth in Chapter 174 of this Code, and in order to maintain said license may not be rented or leased out for a time period of less than two nights.

Section 169-48. Certificate of Occupancy; inspection; fees.

B. (The following language shall be added at the end of this paragraph): For short-term rentals, the aforesaid inspection is not required for changes in occupancy and/or tenancy, but an inspection by the aforementioned representative of the City for the property is required to occur once a year, and shall occur within fifteen (15) days of the application for the property's mercantile license. Failure to have such an inspection conducted shall result in the immediate suspension of the right to lease the premises. The landlord of a short-term rental shall conduct quarterly self-inspection of the property for health and safety purposes using a form issued by the City's Code Enforcement Officer of the City of Somers Point, or his or her authorized designee, which completed forms shall be maintained and kept with the ledger referenced in Subsection C(13) of Section 169-47 of the within Article, and shall be provided to said designated official at the time of the inspection.

Section 169-50. Fees; exceptions.

(The following language shall be added as the last sentence in the first full paragraph): No owner or landlord of a short-term rental shall be required to pay a registration fee as long as they can demonstrate at the time of registration that they hold a current, valid mercantile license for the short-term rental business conducted at the property.

Section 169-51. Occupancy prohibitions.

F. (The following language shall be added at the end of the sentence in this Subsection): In the case of a short-term rental, the 29-day exception referenced herein is not allowed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that should any section, clause, sentence, phrase, provision in these amendments to ordinances be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remain portions of these ordinances.

This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, publication and adoption in the manner prescribed by law.

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Ordinance No. 11 of 2020

Introduction/First Reading

M/S- Owen/Johnston

The ordinance was adopted by roll call vote of those present with Councilman D’Adamo and Council President McGuigan voting no, and Councilman Dill recusing.

ORDINANCE NO. 11 of 2020

**An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Somers Point
Municipal Code Chapter 174, Mercantile Licenses; Section 174-4, Fees.**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:52-1 authorizes a Municipality, by Ordinance, to license and regulate the rental of real property for a term less than 175 consecutive days for residential purposes by a person having a permanent place of residence elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the growing business of short-term, residential rentals in the City of Somers Point, City Council has amended Chapter 169, Article V, of the Somers Point Municipal Code, which deals with the registration and inspection of certain rental units, apartments and dwelling units so as to impose safety and health requirements and regulations on such business operations; and

WHEREAS, the City Code currently does not reflect a mercantile fee to be imposed upon such business of operations for short-term, residential rentals; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somers Point is desirous to set such a mercantile fee so as to offset, in part, the cost of implementing the associated health and safety requirements and regulations imposed by its amendment to Chapter 169, Article V, of the Somers Point Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey that the Somers Point Municipal Code Chapter 174, Mercantile Licenses; Section 174-4, Fees, is hereby amended and supplemented to add the following:

<u>Type of License</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Short Term Rental (Residential Rentals For Less Than 175 Days)	\$100

This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, publication and adoption in the manner prescribed by law.

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Resolutions:

Council President McGuigan read by title only the list of resolutions.

The meeting was duly opened to the public.

Hearing nothing from the public, this portion was duly closed.

Resolution No. 183 of 2020

M/S- Toto/Dill

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Councilman Dill indicated that Mr. Hornig has completed his certification for this position and currently sat for the Certified Public Works Manager's State license. Councilman Dill stated that Mr. Hornig is an asset to the community and supports this advancement. Council President McGuigan concurred along with Councilmen D'Adamo and Toto.

No. 183 of 2020

Subject: Appointment of Sewer Utility System Operator
Introduced By: Councilpersons Johnston, Dill and Toto

WHEREAS, in order to operate a sewer utility, the City of Somers Point is required to designate an individual in possession of a current, valid operation license of the appropriate class issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection as the wastewater collection system operator; and

WHEREAS, Stephen M. Hornig has been employed by the City in the Sewer Utility Department since October 2005 and has earned and maintained the appropriate license since April 2011; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the current Wastewater Collection System Operator to retire effective January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Somers Point to advance employees according to their individual merits and in accordance with the New Jersey Civil Service Policies and Procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point as follows:

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1. Contingent upon the retirement of Theodore Gogol, Stephen M. Hornig is hereby appointed Wastewater Collection System Operator of the Somers Point Sewer Utility effective January 1, 2021.
2. In addition to any other salary and compensation due to him, Stephen M. Hornig shall be compensated for the performance of these duties in accordance with the C2 Licensee salary schedule in the agreement between the City of Somers Point and Teamsters Union Local No. 115.

Resolution No. 184 of 2020

M/S- Toto/Johnston

Council President Pro Temp Johnston called for the vote. City Administrator recommended changing the subject line, and the Governing Body motioned, seconded and carried to amend the subject line. The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present with Council President McGuigan and Councilman Dill abstaining.

No. 184 of 2020

Subject: Acknowledging Retirement Benefits of Michael Sweeney
Introduced By: Councilpersons Johnston and Toto

WHEREAS, after long and dedicated service to the City of Somers Point, Captain Michael Sweeney intends to retire from the Somers Point Police Department effective January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, upon retirement Michael Sweeney is entitled to certain payments and benefits in accordance with the agreement effective January 1, 2017 between the City of Somers Point and Mainland PBA Local 77 Somers Point Police Superior Officers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has determined that Michael Sweeney will have an approximate accumulated reimbursable total of 162.63 days of unused sick leave, 1 day of unused holidays and 21 days of unused vacation days as of December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Captain Sweeney's last regular day of work will be December 31, 2020 and he shall receive his last regular pay on December 18, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the agreement between the City of Somers Point and Mainland PBA Local #77, Somers Point Police Superior Officers, the City of Somers Point shall tender to Michael Sweeney lump-sum payments for his actual remaining

unused sick leave and authorized leave, present him with his service weapon, and provide health benefits as defined in that agreement for two years following his retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Somers Point hereby authorizes the City Administrator to provide all rights and entitlements to Michael Sweeney as enumerated in the agreement effective January 1, 2017 between the City of Somers Point and Mainland PBA Local 77.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Somers Point congratulates Michael Sweeney and wishes him the best of luck in his retirement.

Resolution No. 185 of 2020

M/S- Owen/Toto

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 185 of 2020

Subject: Authorizing Refunds for Cancelled Recreation Events and Rentals
Introduced By: Council President McGuigan and Councilman Owen

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic several events planned by Community Education and Recreation and some rentals of recreation facilities had to be cancelled; and

WHEREAS, the many individuals who had pre-paid for the events and rentals have requested and are considered to be entitled to a refund of the amounts paid; and

WHEREAS, no refunds will be issued unless the Chief Financial Officer can verify that the payment has been deposited, or the individual can produce proof of the payment, and all claims of refunds are certified under penalty of law as to the amount of the refund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to provide the affected individuals with refunds for cancelled recreation events and rentals upon proof of deposit, or proof of payment, and claimant certification, as described above.

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Resolution No.186 of 2020

M/S- Dill/Toto

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 186 of 2020

**Subject: Authorizing Contract with Principal Manager of Public Works
Introduced By: Councilpersons Johnston, Dill and Toto**

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City to approve and authorize the execution of personal services contracts on behalf of the City by an appropriate City Official; and

WHEREAS, the existing agreement between the City and the Principal Manager of Public Works expired at midnight, December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Principal Manager of Public Works and representatives of the City have negotiated a successor agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Somers Point hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute the successor agreement between the City of Somers Point and the Principal Manager of Public Works and by that act the City does hereby approve said agreement effective January 1, 2020.

Resolution No. 187 of 2020

M/S- Toto/Dill

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 187 of 2020

**Subject: Change Order No. 1 – Contract No. 105 – 2020 Stormwater Repairs
Introduced By: Councilmen Dill and Toto**

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WHEREAS, in accordance with Resolution 137 of 2020, Mathis Construction Co., Inc. of Little Egg Harbor, N.J., was awarded the contract for the 2020 Stormwater Repairs for the sum of \$247,537.27; and

WHEREAS, during the course of construction changes were made to reflect as-built quantities; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has recommended approval of these changes; and

WHEREAS, those changes have resulted in a change of the contract amount as follows:

Contract Amount	\$247,537.27	
Change Order 1	\$70.20	
Revised Contract Amount	\$247,607.47	
Total Deduction: \$0	Total Additional: \$70.20	Net Change: 0.03%

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the above listed change to the contract for 2020 Stormwater Repairs is hereby approved and that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents in this regard on behalf of the City.

Resolution No. 188 of 2020

M/S- D'Adamo/Owen

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 188 of 2020

Subject: Approving proposals – Goods and Services 2020
Introduced By: Council President McGuigan

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point received proposals for various goods and services in accordance with the Fair and Open procedure of the New Jersey Pay-to-Play law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the following proposals, received on May 8th 2020 and September 17th 2020, and November 12th 2020 approved, and that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to issue contracts to the following vendor for goods and services during the period of May 1st, 2020 to April 30th, 2021:

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- a) **Emergency Sewer Pumps and Equipment**
Municipal Maintenance Co

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Resolution No. 189 of 2020

M/S- Dill/D'Adamo

This resolution was amended and adopted by unanimous roll call vote of those present. City Administrator Swain explained he forwarded a revised resolution due to a reimbursement from the insurance company. Councilman D'Adamo motioned to revise the resolution to \$82,000, seconded to Council President McGuigan and carried.

No. 189 of 2020

Subject: Budget Appropriation Transfer
Introduced by: Council President McGuigan, Councilmen Gerety and Dill

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-1 et.seq. allows the Governing Body to make budget appropriation transfers after November 1st of the budget year to expend for any of the purposes specified in the budget an amount in excess of the respective sums originally appropriated therefor, provided that the resolution is adopted by not less than a two-thirds vote of the full membership thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following 2020 budget transfer as specified in this resolution.

Current Fund

From:

Recreation Programs S&W	0-01-28-370-100	\$17,000.00
Administration OE	0-01-20-100-200	10,000.00
Mayor and Council OE	0-01-20-110-200	15,000.00
Workers Compensation Insurance OE	0-01-23-215-200	10,000.00
Recreation Programs OE	0-01-28-370-200	10,000.00
Gasoline OE	0-01-31-460-273	5,000.00
Tax Assessment S&W	0-01-20-150-100	<u>15,000.00</u>
		\$82,000.00

To:

Tax Assessment OE	0-01-20-150-200	\$ 2,000.00
Data Processing OE	0-01-20-140-200	60,000.00
Public Works OE	0-01-26-300-200	10,000.00
Buildings and Grounds OE	0-01-26-310-200	<u>10,000.00</u>
		\$82,000.00

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Resolution No. 190 of 2020

M/S- Toto/D'Adamo

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 190 of 2020

Subject: Contract for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel

Introduced By: Council President McGuigan

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point is a member of the Atlantic County Cooperative #41-ACC for purchasing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Lead Agency of the Atlantic County Cooperative #41-ACC advertising for sealed bids, bids were received on June 16th, 2020 for furnishing and delivering gasoline, diesel fuel and heating fuel; and

WHEREAS, Riggins Fuel of 3938 Main Rd. Vineland, New Jersey was the lowest bidder willing to provide the items to the members of the Cooperative System; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Riggins Fuel is based on the day of delivery OPIS Oil Price Daily Newark, New Jersey low end-high end average rack plus a delivery and incidental charge of -\$0.0059 per gallon for gasoline and a delivery and incidental charge of \$0.0840 per gallon for diesel fuel per contract acceptance number AC02322.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Somers Point hereby authorizes contract acceptance by the City Administrator of the proposal of Riggins, Inc. for furnishing and delivering gasoline and diesel fuel for the period of July 16th, 2020 through December 31st, 2023.

Old Business:

Mayor Glasser proudly forwarded to Clerk Samuelson two Proclamations from Congressman Jeff Van Drew regarding the ribbon cutting ceremony of "Purple Heart Way" and recognizing Somers Point's annual Veterans Day ceremony.

New Business:

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Meetings

Council President McGuigan polled the Governing Body and administration regarding continuing the City Council meetings in-person and ZOOM or only ZOOM. The consensus was to continue in-person and ZOOM.

Solar Power

Council President McGuigan reported that he has had discussion with a solar power vendor, Assistant City Administrator Frost, City Engineer Schneider and Mr. Hornig and is interested to advertise through a (Request for Proposal) RFP. Based on discussions, the savings may be substantial. The first option is to put solar panels on each of our buildings; the second more favorable option is to create a solar array using a car port at DeFeo Lane. City Council discussed the option regarding DeFeo Lane. City Council concurred to proceed with the RFP.

Donation of Marsh Lands to Somers Point

City Council President McGuigan mentioned Beaver Avenue, Pattision Avenue and Stewart Avenue, which are paper streets heading into the marshes. The owner of Block 108, Lot 2 that is marshlands off of Bay Avenue does not want this property that is assessed at \$600 and generates approximately \$20 annually. Thomas Smith, City Solicitor, explained that there have been conversations regarding this property. City Council concurred to accept the property donation contingent upon the owner paying the expenses of the donation to the City.

Discussion of Bills:

Administrator Swain reported a Bill List dated 11/10/20 in the amount of \$917,981.39.

Public Portion:

The Public Portion was duly opened to the public.

Resident Patricia Pierson of 587 Marks Road express his concern that Shore Medical Center has not fulfilled their annual financial contribution.

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Resident Natalie Bailey 825 Bay Avenue complained about the volume of the meeting, she requested that each person state their name before speaking, she requested that ordinances listed on the agenda be explained to the public before voting, she requested a quarterly report on expenditures versus budget, questioned if South Jersey Gas is allowed to cut through her property and Council President McGuigan responded that they are allowed but must restore the property to its original condition. Ms. Bailey questioned the salary and wage ordinance. Council President McGuigan explained that the amounts in question represent a range of salary. Additionally, Ms. Bailey requested flashing stop signs at New York Avenue and Bay Avenue and Hospital Way and Bay Avenue. Council President McGuigan will consult with the Police Chief and City Engineer.

City Engineer, Greg Schneider, indicated that if there are any issues regarding restoration of property from South Jersey Gas, please contact the City, and he will be happy to assist the public with any repairs.

Resident Levi Fox explained that the Patriots of Somers Mansion is hoping to obtain a grant for a feasibility study.

Theresa Dougherty of 26 Dogwood Drive questioned the posting of the minutes of 9/10/20 meeting. Council President McGuigan explained that once the minutes are approved, they will be posted on the website. Ms. Dougherty expressed her concern regarding vehicles speeding on Broadway and Dogwood Drive. Council President McGuigan will alert the Police Department with her concerns. Additionally, Ms. Dougherty thanked Councilman D'Adamo for his professionalism.

Resident Joseph McCarrie expressed his concern with speeding vehicles on Broadway. Council President McGuigan explained the issues of installing speed bumps.

Natalie Bailey of 825 Bay Avenue expressed her concern of the speeding vehicles on Bay Avenue.

Payment of Bills:

M/S – Dill/Owen

The Bill List was approved by a unanimous vote of those present. A complete list of bills is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

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Councilman Dill mentioned that Shore Medical Center has experienced major expenses due to COVID 19; however, the major reason the City purchased a \$1.9 million dollar fire truck was for Shore Medical Center. City Councilman Dill recommended holding serious negotiations. Councilwoman Johnston reported that the committee has been in contact with Shore Medical Center, and they have been very responsive.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before City Council, Councilman Gerety moved, Councilman Toto seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy R. Samuelson, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Approved: 12/10/2020