

**REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
September 26, 2019**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pro Tempore Tapp with a salute to the flag. Roll call was recorded as follows:

Present: Dill, Gerety, Johnston, D’Adamo, Tapp, Toto

Also Present: Mayor Glasser, Administrator Swain, City Clerk Samuelson, Attorney Lafferty

Absent: McGuigan

Also, Council President Pro Tempore recognized former City Councilwoman and current Arts Commission Chair, Kathy Arleth, Police Chief Somers with many police officers.

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.

Public Portion (Resolutions)

The meeting was opened to the public, for consideration of Resolution Numbers 189 and 191 of 2019, hearing nothing from the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Resolutions

Resolution No. 189 of 2019

M/S – Gerety/D’Adamo

The resolution was adopted by a vote of those present with Councilman Dill recusing himself. Police Chief Somers welcomed and thanked everyone for their support. He stated that the Police Department is fortunate and proud to have dedicated and committed police officers. Police Chief Somers indicated that Officer Scapellato will provide leadership, guidance and play an important role in developing the Police Department personnel. He congratulated Officer Scapellato and wished him much success. Mayor Glasser swore in Officer Scapellato as Sergeant with his wife, Cheryl holding the Bible and his three children at his side, which was met with a round of applause. On behalf of the Governing Body, City Council President Pro Tempore Tapp congratulated him.

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No. 189 of 2019

A Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Promotion of Patrolman Paul Scapellato to the Position of Sergeant within the Police Department of the City of Somers Point

Proposed By: Mayor Glasser
Introduced By: Councilmen Tapp, Gerety and Toto

WHEREAS, Chief Robert Somers has determined that there is an opening in the Somers Point Police Department for the position of Sergeant of Police; and

WHEREAS, Chief Robert Somers has recommended that Patrolman Paul Scapellato be promoted to the rank of Sergeant of Police; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has concurred with the recommendation and requests that City Council approve the promotion; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body recognizes that Patrolman Scapellato has served our City honorably as a member of the Police Department for 8 years and is currently a Detective.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Somers Point is honored to direct that Paul Scapellato is hereby promoted to the rank of Sergeant, effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to file the necessary paperwork with the New Jersey Civil Service Commission Division of Classification and Personnel Management.

Resolution No. 191 of 2019

M/S – Dill/Gerety

The resolution was adopted by a vote of those present.

Mayor Glasser stated that he was honored to make this appointment. The Harbor Master will keep Council apprised of any concerns of the waterways, and Mayor Glasser looks forward to working with him. Mayor Glasser swore in Michael Kedziora with his wife, Patti holding the Bible, which was met with a congratulatory round of applause. Council President Pro Tempore thanked Michael for his willingness to serve as Harbor Master.

No. 191 of 2019

Subject: Appointment of Harbor Master
Introduced by: Mayor Glasser, Council President McGuigan and Councilman Dill

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WHEREAS, it is the duty of Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., to make certain appointments to various offices in the City of Somers Point as their terms expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointment is made by Mayor Glasser on the 26th day of September 2019, be confirmed at this time by the City Council.

HARBOR MASTER

1 Year Term (Expires 12/31/19)

Mike Kedziora

Communications:

None

Mayors Report:

Mayor Glasser reported that last Friday evening, there was a POW/MIA service. Mayor Glasser has been in contact with the President of the U.S.S Somers Reunion, which involves all the ships that bear the name of Richard Somers. The reunion will be visiting Somers Point next September, and he and Councilman Gerety are working on some events. Mayor Glasser encouraged everyone to attend the Veterans Day service scheduled at Patriot's Park on November 11th at 11 a.m. Tomorrow evening Mayor Glasser will attend the monthly Atlantic County Mayor's Meeting, and the start of the Octoberfest at Gregory's. Mayor Glasser announced that Police Chief Somers imitated a program for the Pediatrics Unit of Shore Medical Center called "good night lights". All the pediatric patients will receive flashlights, and a police car will stop by with their lights on every night beginning October 1st. Mayor Glasser thanked Shore Medial Center for partnering with them.

City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator, Wes Swain, reported that the City received five bids for \$15,710,000 worth of general improvement bonds. The low bidder was Jefferies, LLC with an interest rate of 2.094%. The actual bond will be for \$15,000,000 to be paid over 12 years.

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City Solicitor:

Randy Lafferty, Esq., reported that a tax abatement agreement with a property owner of 821 Shore Road made a payment of \$68,578.96 representing 100% of taxes that were in arrears.

Committee Reports:

Kathy Arleth, Chair of Arts Commission presented the program for year 2020 and requested City Council to approve their financial request. Kathy continued to explain the program for the upcoming year. Council President Pro Tempore exceedingly thanked Kathy for bringing various arts and opportunities of learning and activities to Somers Point. Mayor Glasser thanked her for the long-time service to the community and all the hard work for the commission. Councilman Gerety complimented the commission on their hard work and the funds that they raise. Kathy Arleth thanked the Governing Body for their support. Councilmen Gerety moved, Councilman Dill seconded and carried to approve the report. At the next City Council meeting of October 10th, a resolution will be presented to consider their budget.

Approval of Minutes:

On the motion of Councilman Toto, seconded of Councilman Gerety and carried to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 9/12/2019 and the Executive Session minutes of 9/12/2019 as to content only with Councilman Dill recusing himself from the Executive Session minutes.

Proclamations:

None

Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 14 of 2019

(Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)

The meeting was duly opened to the public and hearing nothing, it was duly closed.

M/S – Gerety/Tap

The ordinance was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

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Councilman Dill mentioned that this will be an asset to the community. Councilwoman Johnston concurred with Councilman Dill and mentioned that whatever the City can do to bring more businesses to the town will be beneficial.

No. 14 of 2019

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 114, Article XXII, Section 146, Subsection H (5) of the Code of the City of Somers Point So as to Include, as a Permanent Member of the Technical and Conceptual Review Committees, a Member of the Economic Development Advisory Committee

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point by Ordinance No. 4 of 2010 has previously created Technical and Conceptual Review Committees (hereinafter referred to as “Committees”) as codified within Chapter 114, Article XXII, Section 146, Subsection H of the Code of the City of Somers Point; and

WHEREAS, said Ordinance and provisions set forth the membership of the Committees so as to include the designated representatives; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the membership should be expanded so as to include a designated member of the Economic Development Advisory Committee (“EDAC”), as established pursuant to Chapter 20-1 *et. seq.* of the Code of the City of Somers Point.

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:

SECTION 1: Chapter 114, Article XXII, Section 146, Subsection H (5) of the Code of the City of Somers Point regarding the Technical and Conceptual Review Committees shall be and is hereby amended only so as to include the following:

- (f) A member of the Economic Development Advisory Committee organized and existing by virtue of Chapter 20-1, *et. seq.*, herein, as designated by the Committee.

SECTION 2: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION 3: Should any section, clause, sentence, phrase or provision or any item in any schedule of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

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SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, publication and adoption in the manner prescribed by law.

Ordinance No. 15 of 2019
(First Reading/Introduction)

M/S – Gerety/Tap

The ordinance was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Ordinance No. 15 of 2019

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 17 OF 2017 ENTITLED, IN PART “AN ORDINANCE ENACTED UNDER AUTHORITY OF N.J.S.A. 39: 4-197.6. AND N.J.S.A. 39: 4-197.7” ESTABLISHING RESTRICTED PARKING IN FRONT OF ONE (1) RESIDENCE FOR USE BY A HANDICAPPED RESIDENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6. authorizes a Municipality, by Ordinance, to establish a restricted parking zone in front of a residence occupied by a handicapped person if a windshield placard or wheelchair symbol license plates have been issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles for a vehicle owned by the handicapped person, or by another occupant of the residence who is a member of the immediate family of the handicapped person; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.7 authorizes a Municipality, by ordinance, to provide for the issuance of permits which identify a specific motor vehicle and the location wherein it is to be parked, such permits to be issued only to persons who can prove ownership and operation of the motor vehicle and residency at the location specified thereon; and

WHEREAS, Section 250-57 of the Somers Point Municipal Code “Restricted parking zones authorized; conditions” sets forth the requirements which are to be adhered to by the permit holder including payment of the Permit fee, and placement of the Permit within the vehicle; and

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WHEREAS, a request was submitted to the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf of Maxwell Greenstein stating the need for a Handicapped Parking Space in front of his residence at 100 Shore Road, Apartment F, Somers Point, NJ; and

WHEREAS, premised upon said request the City of Somers Point did adopt and enact Ordinance 17 of 2017 granting and establishing a Restricted Parking Zone as had been requested; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Greenstein unfortunately has passed away and the need for said Restricted Parking Zone no longer exists.

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

- Section 1:** Ordinance No. 17 of 2017 adopted October 12, 2017 is hereby repealed as it pertains to Maxwell Greenstein, 100 Shore Road, Apartment F, Somers Point, NJ
- Section 2:** The Department of Public Works is hereby directed to remove all signage for the spaces as directed by said Ordinance.
- Section 3:** All ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
- Section 4:** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Public Portion (Resolutions)

The meeting was opened to the public, hearing nothing from the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Resolutions

Resolution No. 188 of 2019

M/S – Gerety/Toto

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The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present. Councilman Dill mentioned that this grant is a step in the right direction. City Administrator Swain mentioned that a RFP will be going out soon for another company to care for the lot and collect the money, and the City would receive a percentage of the fees. Additionally, Mr. Swain discussed the locations of the lots.

No. 188 of 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 188 OF 2019

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GRANT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN city OF
SOMERS POINT
Name of Grantee)

THE STATE OF NEW
JERSEY BY AND FOR
THE DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

GRANT IDENTIFIER: AQ19-OS9

GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION

The governing body of CITY OF SOMERS POINT
(print Grantee's name)

desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of up to \$ 12,000.00
to fund the following project:

Purchase, installation, and maintenance of two Level 2 dual-port ChargePoint charging stations to be installed at 1000 Shore Road, and 739 Bay Avenue, Somers Point, NJ 08244.

Therefore, the governing body resolves that Jack Glasser or the successor to the office of
(print name)
Mayor is authorized (a) to make application for such a grant, (b) if awarded, to execute
(print title of authorized official)

a grant agreement with the State for a grant _____ in an amount not
less than 0.00 and not more than 12,000.00 and (c) to
execute any amendments thereto. Any amendments thereto which do not increase the Grantee's obligations.

*The City Council authorizes and
hereby agrees to

(print name of Grantee's governing body, e.g., board of chosen freeholders) match 0 % of the Total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement. The availability of the match for such purposes, whether cash, services, or property, is hereby certified. 0 % of the match will be made up of in-kind services (if allowed by grant program requirements under the agreement).

The Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable Federal, State, and municipal laws, and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

Read and passed September 26 Introduced _____ . @.-I-q•
Ayes:

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Noes: Absent:



* The portion of this form between the asterisks should only be completed if matching funds are required under the terms of the agreement. Where in-kind services are allowed and are stipulated by Grantee, an attachment must be provided and appended hereto, breaking out the in-kind services.

Resolution No. 190 of 2019

M/S – Gerety/Toto

The resolution was adopted by a vote of those present.

No. 190 of 2019

Subject: Hiring School Crossing Guards
Introduced by: Councilmen Toto and Dill and Councilwoman Johnston

WHEREAS, for the 2019-2020 school year there exists a need for the part-time position of School Crossing Guard; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-154.1 the Governing Body may appoint adult School Crossing Guards for a term not to exceed one year; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief of the City of Somers Point has recommended certain individuals for appointment to that position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the following individuals are hereby appointed for a term of one year to the part-time position of School Crossing Guard:

Name	Effective Date of Hire
Mary C. Matricardi	03/01/89
Karen Broomall	08/26/14
Sandra Disciascio	08/26/14
Denise McLaughlin	10/08/07
Mary Parker	08/31/04
Carolyn Primo	12/05/11
Linda Wilson	08/26/14
Paul McLaughlin	11/20/17
Hank Wilhelm	11/16/15

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Cheri Broschard
Lynn Moore
Sarah Koons

08/23/19
12/21/98

Resolution No. 192 of 2019

M/S – Toto/Gerety

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 192 of 2019

Subject: Approving proposals – Goods and Services 2019
Introduced By: Council President McGuigan

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point received proposals for Municipal Financial Advisory 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 September 24th, 2019 are approved, and that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to issue contracts to the following vendors for goods and services during the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019:

a) Municipal Financial Advisory Services

**NW Financial Group
Phoenix Advisors LLC**

Resolution No. 193 of 2019

M/S – Toto/D’Adamo

The resolution was adopted by a vote of those present.

No. 193 of 2019

Subject: Authorizing Competitive Contracting for Information Technology Services

Introduced by: Council President McGuigan and Councilmen Dill and Gerety

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WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point is interested in soliciting proposals from independent contractors to provide information technology services; and

WHEREAS, competitive contracting may be used in lieu of public bidding for the hiring of a for-profit entity or a not-for-profit entity incorporated under Title 15A of the New Jersey Statutes for the purpose of the operation, management or administration of data processing services.

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

- 1) Competitive contracting is hereby authorized for the procurement of information technology services as per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
- 2) The competitive contracting process shall be administered by the City Administrator.

Resolution No. 194 of 2019

M/S – Toto/Gerety

The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote of those present.

City Administrator Swain indicated that at the third “WHEREAS”, it should read “an aging grapple truck”.

No. 194 of 2019

Subject: Authorizing purchase of One (1) Grapple Truck through the Sourcewell (formerly NJPA) National Cooperative Purchasing Program for Contract #041217-PII, Bulky Waste Collection Equipment, for the Somers Point Public Works Department.

Introduced By: Council President McGuigan and Councilmen Dill and Gerety

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point is permitted to participate in national purchasing cooperatives according to N.J.S.A 52:34-6.2; and

WHEREAS, the Sourcewell (formerly NJPA) National Purchasing Program has acted as lead agency and awarded Contract # 041217-PII, Bulky Waste Collection Equipment; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Public Works Department has an aging grapple truck which is becoming increasingly costly to maintain; and

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WHEREAS, Superintendent of Public Works Guy Martin, the City Council Finance Committee, and City Administrator/Purchasing Agent William Swain have reviewed the contract from Sourcewell #041217-PII, Bulky Waste Collection Equipment, and have determined that the acquisition of one (1) Peterson Industries TL-3 Lightning Loader with 2020 or newer Freightliner M2-106 chassis with Extended Warranties is the functional economic solution to replace the City of Somers Point's aging grapple truck; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that City Council approve the acquisition of one (1) Peterson Industries TL-3 Lightning Loader with 2020 or newer Freightliner M2-106 chassis with Extended Warranties for the Public Works Department's fleet for use throughout the City.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, New Jersey, that one (1) Peterson Industries TL-3 Lightning Loader with 2020 or newer Freightliner M2-106 chassis with Extended Warranties be purchased from Vasso Systems, Inc, 159 Cook Street, Brooklyn, New York 11206 in accordance with the Sourcewell #041217-PII, Bulky Waste Collection Equipment contract for use by the Public Works Department as follows:

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price
1.	Peterson TL-3 Lightning Loader, Base Truck Loader, Walk Through Controls (extended control sticks, if possible) Trash Body, 1824 HDX, 18 feet, 24 cubic yards, Hardox, PI Self-Winding Load Covering Device	1 each	\$71,100.96	
	\$71,100.96			
2.	2020 or newer Freightliner M-2 106 33,000 GVW Single Axle Chassis with Extended Warranties per spec sheet provided by Cruzans Freightliner	1 each	\$84,109.48	\$84,109.48
3.	Freight	1 each	\$3,800.00	\$3,800.00
4.	PDI, Inspections Delivery & Training	1 each	\$2,450.00)	
	<u>\$2,450.00</u>			

Total Amount of Sourcewell #041217-PII,
Bulky Waste Collection Equipment
to Vasso Systems, Inc. \$161,460.44

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Administrator, acting in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order in the total amount of \$161,460.44 for one (1) Peterson Industries TL-3 Lightning Loader with 2020 or newer Freightliner M2-106 chassis with Extended Warranties to Vasso Systems, Inc, 159 Cook Street, Brooklyn, New York 11206, in accordance with the Sourcewell National Purchasing Program Contract for Bulky Waste Collection Equipment, Contract #041217-P11.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

City Council concurred to approve:

- the Social Affair Permit for the Patriots for the Somers Mansion on 10/6/19 with Councilman Gerety recusing himself
- request to waive raffle license fee for VFW Post #2189 Roberts Johnson
- request for additional parking and a rain date for Trunk or Treat

The Arts Commission 2020 Program was addressed previously this evening.

When Patcong Creek Foundation submits the insurance requirements, City Council will consider the Social Affair Permit request.

Discussion of Bills:

Administrator Swain reported Record of Payments on 9/13/19 in the amount of \$2,702.81; a Record of Payments dated 9/24/19 in the amount of \$152,029.42 and a Bill List of 9/24/19 in the amount of \$544,822.12.

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Public Portion

The public portion was duly opened. After hearing the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Ed O'Donnell mentioned that there is wide spread anger at the government, because people in need cannot reach anyone on the phone. He noted that Somers Point has excellent history with assisting the public. He expressed his concern regarding contamination.

Payment of Bills

M/S – Tapp/Toto

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.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy R. Samuelsen, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Approved: 10/10/2019