

**REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
January 27, 2011**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President McGuigan. Roll call was recorded as follows:

Present: D'Adamo, Dill, Kern, Smith, Tapp, Triboletti & McGuigan

Also Present: Mayor Glasser, Administrator Swain, Atty. Lafferty & City Clerk Degrassi

Absent: None

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.

Communications

Mayor Glasser reported that he attended an Honor Court Eagle Scout ceremony for Kevin McDonough at Troop 55. He further reported that he attended the Installation Dinners for Fire Co. No. 1 and Fire Co. No. 2, the League of Municipalities Dinner and the Business Association Dinner in the last few weeks. He advised that tomorrow he and Councilman Dill will be attending the Mayor's Association Meeting and will be discussing centralized dispatch and will be reporting back at the next meeting.

Administrator's Report

Administrator Swain reported that the pre-construction meeting for the County project on Mays Landing road and the Patcong Bridge was postponed until next Monday. He also reported that we took bids for our Sanitary Sewer Upgrades which is part of the Infrastructure Trust Loan Program. He advised that the low bid is being reviewed by the Engineer and he anticipates a resolution to award at the next meeting.

Committee Reports

Councilman Dill gave the Zoning Board Report in full stating that they had their Reorganization Meeting on January 10th and the new members were sworn in. Councilman Dill gave the Public Works Report in full stating that the three dump trucks were finally in. He also gave the Joint Insurance Fund Report in full stating that the Elected Officials Seminar is scheduled for this Monday and everyone has signed up which will result in a \$2,000. credit. He also advised that the JIF Safety Breakfast is scheduled for February 10th at 8:30 am. He also reported that the local Safety Committee has set their meeting dates for the year. Councilman Dill also gave the Budget Finance Committee Report stating that he has met with the Auditor who has met with our CFO and will be meeting with the Administrator to get started on the budget

Councilman Smith advised that he has asked the City Administrator to provide a report showing what we have paid professionals for the past five years. He stated that he has also asked for the costs associated with events that we hold.

Minutes

There were no minutes presented for approval.

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RESOLUTIONS

Waiver of 48-Hour Rule

The 48-Hour rule was waived unanimously in order to consider Resolution No. 42.

Public Portion on Resolutions

A resident residing at 19 Delaware Avenue came forward and addressed the Governing Body asking what Resolution No 39 was. Administrator Swain explained the appropriation transfer.

Public portion was then closed.

Resolution No. 37

M/S – Kern/Triboletti

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 37 of 2011

Subject: Economic Development Advisory Commission
Introduced By: Council President McGuigan

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1 of 2006 authorized the establishment of an Economic Development Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 31 of 2007 amended said Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists due to the expiration of the term of Arthur T. Ford, III; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ordinance No. 31 of 2007, the City Council hereby reappoints Arthur T. Ford, III to a full three year term, said term expiring December 31, 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Economic Development Advisory Commission consists of the following members:

Regular Members	Expiration of Term
Michael Picucci	December 31, 2011
Ron Meischker	December 31, 2011
Judy Hanlin	December 31, 2011
Lou DeSciolo	December 31, 2012
Fred Fontana	December 31, 2012
Rick Pittman	December 31, 2012
Nick Regine	December 31, 2013
Michael Bray	December 31, 2013
Arthur T. Ford, III	December 31, 2013

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No. 38 of 2011 (Corrected Copy)

Subject: Authorizing Advertising for Bids for the Fiscal Year 2009 Municipal Aid Bike path Program to extend the Somers Point Bike Path to Somers Avenue

WHEREAS, the governing Body of the City of Somers Point has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to extend the Somers Point Bike Path to Somers Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the City Engineer is hereby authorized to prepare plans and specifications for the 2009 Municipal Aid Bike path Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is authorized to advertise for bids, said bids to be received in the City Clerk's office at 10:00 A.M. on March 8, 2011.

Resolution No. 39

M/S – HD/MK

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 39 of 2011

Subject: Appropriation Reserve Transfer
Introduced by: Council President McGuigan

Whereas N.J.S. 40A:4-1 et.seq. allows budget appropriation reserve transfers during the first three months of the succeeding year.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Somers Point hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to make the following budget transfer as specified in this resolution.

Current Fund

From:

Administration OE	0-01-20-100-200	\$ 2,400
Tax Collection OE	0-01-20-145-200	3,300
Other Code Enforcement OE	0-01-22-200-200	3,000
Buildings & Ground OE	0-01-26-310-200	5,000
Streetlights	0-01-31-435-276	<u>2,000</u>

Total \$15,700

To:

City Clerk OE	0-01-20-120-200	\$ 500
Public Works OE	0-01-26-300-200	500
Vehicle Maintenance OE	0-01-26-315-200	2,000
Water	0-01-31-445-281	1,000
Natural Gas	0-01-31-446-279	4,400
Diesel Fuel	0-01-31-447-274	2,000
Gasoline	0-01-31-460-273	<u>5,300</u>

Total \$15,700

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Resolutions (Continued)

Resolution No. 40

M/S – MK/TS

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

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No. 40 of 2011**

**Subject: Authorizing Scope of Work Agreement for Direct Install Program
Introduced by:**

Whereas, the City of Somers Point is a participant in the New Jersey Clean Energy Program's Direct Install Program that provides for payment of up to 60% of projects of up to \$50,000 for participants to implement energy efficient measures in their buildings; and

Whereas, the City of Somers Point is also a participant in the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program that is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that will provide payment for up to 40% of projects of up to \$50,000 for participants to implement energy efficient measures in their buildings; and

Whereas, when used in conjunction, the Direct Install Program and the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program can provide payment for 100% of projects of up to \$50,000 for participants to implement energy efficient measures in their buildings; and

Whereas, in conformance with these programs, an energy assessment was performed at City Hall that indicates a total of approximately \$7,596.14 of costs for the implementation of energy efficient measures that have been identified; and

Whereas, the total costs for the implementation of these energy efficient measures will be paid by the combination of the Direct Install Program and the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that, on behalf of the City, the City Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the Direct Install Program Participation Agreement Scope of Work Attachment attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Be it further resolved that the City Administrator is authorized to complete any other documents necessary on behalf of the City in connection with the New Jersey Clean Energy Program's Direct Install Program and the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program.

Resolution No. 41

M/S – MK/CD

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 41 of 2011

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A PILOT PROGRAM AT SHORE MEMORIAL
HOSPITAL TO PROVIDE TREATMENT TO LOCAL VETERANS IN THE SOUTH
JERSEY REGION**

**Introduced By:
Councilman Ralph Triboletti
Councilwoman Maureen Kern**

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Resolution No. 41 (Continued)

WHEREAS, the Veterans of our armed services have served with honor and made tremendous sacrifices for all the citizens of our great nation, interrupting their lives to defend this country and to ensure our freedom; and

WHEREAS, the people of the United States owe a debt of gratitude to those who defended it; and

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WHEREAS, veterans continue to provide a valuable service in this city and are important members of society;

WHEREAS, the governing body and the city of Somers Point have a long tradition of supporting veterans;

WHEREAS, veterans requiring radiation treatment and dialysis services are required to travel to VA medical centers in Elsmere Delaware or Philadelphia Pennsylvania. Both of those medical center are over sixty miles away from most of South Jersey and this travel puts an unnecessary burden on our Veterans who are in ill health; and

WHEREAS, Shore Memorial Hospital is a progressive and responsible corporate citizen as well an integral part of this community; and

WHEREAS, Shore Memorial Hospital is proposing to offer radiation and dialysis treatments to veterans at Medicare rates, all under the authority of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs;

WHEREAS, The plan would work on what the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs calls a "fee basis," in which veterans would be treated at health care centers other than VA facilities, but their treatment would be authorized by the VA,

WHEREAS, the program would be the first in the country to be run outside of Veterans Administration hospitals and could serve as a model for other community hospitals; thus helping veterans across the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Somers Point urge the Veterans Administration and the Honorable Eric Shinseki, Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the proposal put forth by Shore Memorial Hospital and to implement it immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Eric Shinseki, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, United States Senators Robert Menendez and Frank Lautenberg and United States Congressman Frank LoBiondo.

Resolution No. 42

M/S – MK/CD

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 42 of 2011

**Subject: Requesting an extension to award a construction contract for the FY 2009
 NJDOT Bikeway Grant for the Somers Point Bikeway Extension**

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2009, the City of Somers Point received an executed grant agreement in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the Somers Point Bikeway Extension; and

WHEREAS, the grant agreement states that the City must award a construction contract by September 10, 2010.

WHEREAS, the City received a six (6) month extension to award a construction contract by March 10, 2011.

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WHEREAS, if any unexpected issues occur during bidding the project, the City may not be able to award a contract for the project by the March 10, 2011 deadline; and

WHEREAS, the City fully anticipates awarding a construction contract by September 10, 2011, six (6) months from the deadline.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the City hereby requests to the New Jersey Department of Transportation a six (6) month extension to award a construction contract for the FY 2009 NJDOT Bikeway Grant.

Consent Agenda

There were no items on the Consent Agenda.

New Business

Council discussed the proposal from the Atlantic County Utilities Authority with regard to a solar project. Council President McGuigan asked that Administrator Swain and Councilman Triboletti to report back at the next meeting.

The request by Family Service Association in EHT to post a message on Channel 2 was approved by a unanimous vote of those present.

The Social Affairs Permit for the Ocean City Education Foundation was approved unanimously.

The Raffle License Application for St. Joseph's Church was approved by a 5-0 vote with Councilmen D'Adamo and Triboletti abstaining.

Old Business

Councilman Triboletti reported that the parking committee will be meeting regarding the area around the Hospital and also other areas such as Route 9.

Discussion of Bills

The bill list in the amount of \$1,138,015.97 was presented for discussion.

Public Portion

A resident from 19 Delaware Avenue came forward and addressed the Governing Body asking if there were going to be any Police layoffs. Council President McGuigan explained that they are in the process of putting together a budget.

Rick Freed, 409 Dobbs Avenue, came forward and addressed the Governing Body asking if anyone from Council is overseeing the project on MacArthur Blvd. Council President McGuigan explained that they have a Council sub-committee to deal with the Phases which consists of Councilmen Smith, Dill and himself. Mr. Freed asked that they speak to the contractor about the diesel engines running in front of his home.

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Payment of Bills

A motion was made and seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,138,015.97. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Carol L. Degrassi, RMC/MMC
Municipal Clerk

Approved: 02/09/12