

**REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 26, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. by President Kern with a salute to the flag, followed by a moment of silence in memory of Councilman McGuigan's father who recently passed away.

Roll call was recorded as follows:

Present: D'Adamo, Dill, Gerety, McGuigan, Smith, Tapp & Kern
Also Present: Mayor Glasser, Administrator Swain, Atty. Franklin & 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

Proclamation No. 4

Proclamation No. 4 was read in full by the City Clerk. Ciara Beck, Nutritionists from ShopRite spoke to the governing body and the audience asking everyone to take advantage of what ShopRite has to offer. Mayor Glasser presented Ms. Beck with a copy of the Proclamation.

Council President Kern reminded everyone of the economic development initiative by the County, urging everyone to take the survey on our website.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Glasser advised that next Wednesday night Chris Herron, a motivational speaker, will be returning to Jordan Road School at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Glasser invited the governing body to attend. He stated that he is a dynamic speaker and will be speaking about drugs and alcohol. Mayor Glasser then gave the Police Department report in full for the month of January.

Administrator's Report

No report given.

Committee Reports

None given.

Minutes

M/S - McGuigan/Dill

Minutes of the regular meeting of February 12, 2015 were approved unanimously.

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ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 3 - Final Reading

M/S - Tapp/Dill

Meeting was opened to the public and duly closed. Ordinance No. 3 was then adopted on final reading by a unanimous vote of those present.

ORDINANCE NO. 3 OF 2015

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES, WAGES
AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND
EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT,
COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

FIRST READING: 02/12/15

PUBLICATION: 02/18/15

FINAL READING: 02/26/15

Ordinance No. 4 - Final Reading

M/S - Dill/Tapp

Meeting opened to the public and duly closed. Ordinance No. 4 was then adopted on final reading by a unanimous vote of those present.

CITY OF SOMERS POINT

Ordinance No. 4 of 2015 (As Amended)

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC,
NEW JERSEY ESTABLISHING
UNIFORM REGULATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR OF BULKHEADS**

FIRST READING: February 12, 2015

PUBLICATION: February 18, 2015

FINAL PASSAGE: February 26, 2015

Ordinance No. 5 - Final Reading

M/S - Gerety/Dill

Meeting opened to the public and duly closed. Ordinance No. 5 was then adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

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ORDINANCE No. 5 - 2015

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN PREPARED BY
BACH ASSOCIATES FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY OF
SOMERS POINT KNOWN AS BLOCK 1114, LOTS 3, 4.01, 4.02, 4.03 AND 4.04**

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Ordinance No. 5 (Continued)

FIRST READING: February 12, 2015

PUBLICATION: February 18, 2015

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Ordinance No. 6 - Final Reading

M/S - D'Adamo/Tapp

Meeting opened to the public and duly closed. Ordinance No. 6 was then adopted on final reading by a unanimous vote of those present.

Ordinance No. 6 of 2015

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 207 OF THE SOMERS POINT MUNICIPAL CODE "PRECIOUS METALS AND SECONDHAND GOODS", CHAPTER 81 "AUCTIONS" AND CHAPTER 202 "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING" OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.

***FIRST READING:** February 12, 2015*

***PUBLICATION:** February 18, 2015*

***FINAL PASSAGE:** February 26, 2015*

Ordinance No. 7 - First Reading

M/S - Dill/Tapp

Approved on first reading by a unanimous vote of those present.

Ordinance No. 7 of 2015

**An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Municipal Code
Of the City of Somers Point Chapter 120 "Dogs and Other Animals"
By Amending Article I "Animal Licensing And Control" Section 120 – 5 A. (3) and
Amending Article V "Cats" Section 120-32 G. (2) Changing the Date for Imposition of a
Late Fee And Eliminating the Supplemental Late Fee**

WHEREAS, a recommendation had been made by the Somers Point City Clerk and by to amend Chapter 120 of the Somers Point Municipal Code to change the date for imposition of a late fee for failure to obtain a dog or cat license in order to allow more time following the annual rabies clinic and semi-annual census for owners to obtain the required licenses, to eliminate the imposition of a supplemental late fee, and to modify the date of acquisition of a dog or cat which exempts the owner from payment of a late fee; and

WHEREAS, the Somers Point City Council has considered the recommendation and finds it to be in the best interest of the owners of cats and dogs and for more efficient administration of the licensing program by the Clerk's office and will not result in significant revenue loss.

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Ordinance No. 7 (Continued)

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

SECTION 1: Somers Point Municipal Code Chapter 120, Section 120 – 5 A. (3) is deleted in its entirety and replaced with:

(3) A late fee in the amount of \$20 shall be assessed in addition to the license fee for any license which is not paid by July 1 of each registration calendar year. The late fee and penalty provision in this section shall not apply to any license for any dog which was not owned, harbored, kept or maintained in the City of Somers Point until after June 20 of each registration calendar year.

SECTION 2: Somers Point Municipal Code Chapter 120, Section 120 – 32 G. (2) is deleted in its entirety and replaced with:

(3) A late fee in the amount of \$20 shall be assessed in addition to the license fee for any license which is not paid by July 1 of each registration calendar year. The late fee and penalty provision in this section shall not apply to any license for any cat which was not owned, harbored, kept or maintained in the City of Somers Point until after June 20 of each registration calendar year.

SECTION 3: All other provisions of Chapter 120 not modified or amended by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect and shall apply to this amendment upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION 5: 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.

SECTION 6: This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, publication and adoption in the manner prescribed by law.

FIRST READING: February 26, 2015

PUBLICATION: March 4, 2015

FINAL PASSAGE: March 12, 2015

RESOLUTIONS

Public Portion on Resolutions

Meeting was opened to the public and duly closed.

Consent Agenda

There were no items on the Consent Agenda.

Resolutions

Resolution No. 51

M/S - Gerety/Tapp

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 51 of 2015

**A Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to submit a Municipal Review Statement
Bus Stop Proposal for Bus Stops along Route 9 to New Jersey Transit**

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Resolution No. 51 (Continued)

WHEREAS, New Jersey Transit ("NJT") submitted a Municipal Review Statement to the City Administrator by letter dated August 8, 2014 to be completed and returned in order for NJT to obtain approval from the New Jersey Department of Transportation ("NJDOT") for the designation of bus stops along Route 9 within the City of Somers Point; and

WHEREAS, a review of bus stop locations was undertaken by the City Engineer and the Police Department's Traffic Control Officer; and

WHEREAS, a list of designated bus stops has been identified and submitted to NJDOT for review

Now therefore it is hereby Resolved that the City Administrator is authorized to complete and deliver the Municipal Review Statement Bus Stop Proposal in the form attached hereto as Attachment 1 which has been reviewed and approved by the City Engineer and City Council; and

It is further Resolved that no ordinance shall be introduced until the proposed bus stops have been reviewed and approved by NJDOT.

Resolution No. 52

M/S - Tapp/Gerety

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 52 of 2015

AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Somers Point City Council to be held in public, N.J.S.A.10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," i.e. without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Somers Point City Council has determined that THREE (3) issues permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) is to be discussed without the public in attendance during an Executive Session to be held on February 26, 2015 during a public meeting to be held commencing at 7:00 P.M, and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) exceptions to public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box within which the **number of issues** to be privately discussed that fall within that exception shall be written, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as much information about the discussion as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written.

2 “(5) **Any matter involving the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.**”

The nature of the matters, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality are:

- 1) Acquisition of land necessary for recreational use to extend the Bike Path for which the exercise of eminent domain has been authorized, if needed; and
- 2) Potential acquisition of land necessary for public use by the City.

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1 “(7) Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.”

The matter involves potential litigation to which the City may be a party. The nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is to engage in a full and thorough discussion with the City Solicitor, City Engineer and City Administrator.

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be approximately 45 - 60 minutes after which the public meeting of the City Council shall reconvene;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Somers Point will go into Executive Session for **only** the above stated reason;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs the City Clerk to make ten (10) photocopies of this resolution immediately after it passes and to distribute those photocopies to the public in attendance prior to the Executive Session commencing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the blank spaces within this form of resolution are to be filled out in conformity with a Consent Judgment and Memorandum of Understanding dated June 8, 2009 that arose that the City Council hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) will be made public at a time when the public’s interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being protected from disclosure. For each of the above items, the estimated date by which such disclosure can be made and/or the occurrence that needs to take place before disclosure can be made are listed below (attach separate sheet if necessary)

Subject of Discussion	Estimated Date	Necessary Occurrence
See # 5 above	Acquisition of land needed for public use by the City.	Formal Action taken by City Council
See #7 above	Discussion of potential litigation.	Commencement of litigation.

Resolution No. 53
M/S - D’Adamo/Smith
Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 53 of 2015

A Resolution Supporting Enactment of Assembly Bill A-3351 sponsored by Assemblyman Patrick J. Diegnan, Jr. Which, if Enacted, will Require Filing of an Appraisal within Ninety (90) Days Following Filing of the Appeal in the New Jersey Tax Court in Which the Assessed Value of the Commercial Property is in Excess of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) and Will Authorize Dismissal With Prejudice of Said Tax Appeals When the Appraisal is not Filed Within the Prescribed Time.

Introduced by: Councilman Smith

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WHEREAS, current law allows for real property tax appeals to be filed directly with the New Jersey Tax Court where the assessed value of the real estate is at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) or such tax appeals may be filed initially with the County Board of Taxation from whose decision an appeal may be taken to the Tax Court; and

WHEREAS, particularly in those cases where a commercial property is the subject of the tax appeal, due to delay on the part of the owner of the commercial property there is unnecessary time, effort and expense incurred by the Municipal Tax Assessor and the Municipality's Tax Appeal attorney when the owner's Appraisal of the real property is not submitted to the municipality in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, there is pending in the State Legislature a Bill sponsored by Assemblyman Patrick J. Diegnan, Jr. which will mandate that in all appeals filed in the New Jersey Tax Court the owner's appraisal must be submitted to the municipality within ninety (90) days following filing of the appeal if the assessed value of the real property is in excess of One Million Dollars;

WHEREAS, the bill further provides that absent a showing of good cause for failing to file the appraisal within the time required the appeal shall be dismissed with prejudice; and

WHEREAS, the bill has been favorably reported out of the Assembly State and Local Government Committee; and

WHEREAS, enactment of A3351 will greatly benefit municipalities by expediting commercial tax appeals which can drag on for years, may reduce the backlog of commercial cases pending in the Tax Court, and should reduce the fees and costs incurred by municipalities to defend against such tax appeals.

WHEREAS, in these times of fiscal restraint such monies should be better spent on more worthwhile endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point believes that such legislation is in the best interest of the citizens of the State of New Jersey and of the municipalities situated herein

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point supports enactment of A-3351.

IT IS FURTHER, RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution with the attached A-3351 be sent to Governor Chris Christie, State Senator James Whelan, State Assemblyman Christopher A. Brown, State Assemblyman Vincent Mazzeo, State Assemblyman Patrick J. Diegnan, Jr., the President of the New Jersey State Senate, the Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly, the Atlantic County Mayor's Association, and the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

Resolution No. 54

M/S - D'Adamo/Gerety

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

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Resolution No. 54 of 2015

A Resolution Supporting enactment of Assembly and Senate Bills which exempt government owned property from Adverse Possession and eliminate a Statute of Limitation period for recovery by a government entity and requesting an amendment to Senate Bill Number S2143 and Assembly Bill Number A3457/A1682 to incorporate language from Assembly Bill Number 1681 to make clear the intent to preclude Adverse Possession claims against any government entity.

WHEREAS, in a decision rendered in 1991 the Supreme Court of New Jersey in the matter of Devins v. Borough of Bogota 124 N.J. 570 reversed the long standing rule that municipally owned property could not be subject to acquisition by adverse possession; and

WHEREAS, in rendering their decision, recognizing the wide spread impact such a ruling would have upon governmental entities, the Supreme Court further held that the impact of their decision would not become effective until twenty (20) years after their decision had been rendered; and

WHEREAS, the twenty year grace period expired in 2011; and

WHEREAS, within the twenty years since the Supreme Court rendered its decision the Legislature has not enacted any Law to restore the long standing rule that government owned property cannot be acquired by adverse possession; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 Assembly Bill No. 1681 was introduced on January 12, 2010 to cure this deficiency and protect government entities from wrongful seizure of publicly owned properties; and

WHEREAS, following introduction A1681 was referred to the Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee from which it was never released; and

WHEREAS, unless Legislative action is taken, Municipalities and other governmental entities will not only be subject to taking by adverse possession but in order to prevent such wrongful taking, may be obligated to spend considerable public funds to identify incidents of adverse possession which may exist in order to protect the public interest and incur legal fees which would otherwise not be necessary; and

WHEREAS, in these times of fiscal restraint such monies should be better spent on more worthwhile projects; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point believes that such legislation is in the best interest of the citizens of the State of New Jersey and of the municipalities and counties situated herein; and

WHEREAS, S2143 sponsored by Senator Jeff Van Drew and companion bill A3547/A1682 Co-sponsored by Assemblyman Bob Andrzejczak, Assemblyman Jay Webber, and Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski as Primary Sponsors and Assemblyman Erik Peterson as Co-Sponsor.

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WHEREAS, the following language is contained in S2143 and A3547/A1682:

“Except as provided in section 3 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), this act shall not limit the estate, right, title or interest of, or bar any claim or action by:

a. The State, any agency thereof, or any political subdivision of the State, including, but not limited to, its instrumentalities and independent authorities, or any county or municipality, or any agency or authority of a county or municipality, with respect to real property or any estate, right, title or interest therein, that was at any time used or intended to be used for a public or transportation, environmental, recreational, governmental, educational, charitable, institutional or other similar purpose or held in public trust, whether such use be at the time of acquisition or sometime thereafter...”; and

WHEREAS, A1681 pre-filed for introduction in the 2010 Session contained the following language:

“1. a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, title to real property owned by the State, any agency thereof, or any political subdivision of the State, whether or not the real property is dedicated to or used for a public purpose, cannot be acquired by adverse possession. Actions brought by the State, any agency thereof, or any political subdivision of this State for the recovery of any publicly owned real property shall not be time-barred.

b. As used in this act, 'real property' shall mean lands, structures, franchises and interests in land, including air space and air rights, waters, lands under water and riparian rights, and any and all things and rights encompassed by the said term, and includes, not only fees simple absolute but also any and all lesser interests, including, but not limited to easements, rights of way, uses, leases and licenses.”; and

Although the intent may be the same, in order to avoid any ambiguity it is respectfully requested that the Sponsors and Co-Sponsor give serious consideration to amending the pending legislation to incorporate the language contained in A1681 as set forth above although modified to the extent necessary to preserve the tidal flow exception set forth in S2143 and A3547/A1682.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point supports enactment of Legislation comparable which would preclude the taking of government owned property through adverse possession and would further provide that actions brought by any governmental entity for recovery of any such property not be time barred; and

IT IS FURTHER, RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to State Senator Jim Whelan, State Senator Jeff Van Drew, State Assemblyman Bob Andrzejczak, State Assemblyman Jay Webber, State Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski and State Assemblyman Erik Peterson, State Assemblyman Patrick J. Diegnan, Jr., State Assemblyman Scott T. Rumana, State Assemblyman Chris A. Brown, State Assemblyman Vincent Mazzeo, and the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

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Resolution No. 55

M/S - D'Adamo/Gerety

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 55 of 2015

**A RESOLUTION OF CONCURRENCE SUPPORTING A DETERMINATION MADE
BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ESTABLISH
AND DESIGNATE A "NO PASSING ZONE" ALONG THE
ENTIRE LENGTH OF ROUTE NEW JERSEY 9 WITHIN
THE GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF
SOMERS POINT, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, in January of 2013 a request was received from the New Jersey Department of Transportation requesting a Resolution of support from the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point to legally establish a "No Passing Zone" along the entire stretch of Route NJ 9 within the physical boundaries of the City of Somers Point; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer and the Somers Point Police Department reviewed the request and conducted an independent traffic investigation along that stretch of Route NJ 9 and have concluded that a "No Passing Zone" as recommended is appropriate for this type of highway; and

WHEREAS, the investigation also demonstrated that existing double yellow pavement markings along Route NJ 9 meet and conform to the current design standards for a "No Passing Zone"; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Somers Point adopted Resolution No. 68 of 2013 in support of the recommendation, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, in January of 2015 a second request for a resolution of concurrence was received from the New Jersey Department of Transportation requesting support of the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point to legally establish a "No Passing Zone" along the entire stretch of Route NJ 9 within the physical boundaries of the City of Somers Point.

Now, therefore, it is hereby **RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Somers Point reaffirms the support set forth in Resolution No. 68 of 2013 and reiterates that it concurs with the recommendation made by the New Jersey Department of Transportation to designate the entire stretch of Route NJ 9 within the geographical boundaries of the City of Somers Point as a "No Passing Zone"; and

It is further, **RESOLVED**, that upon final approval of this designation the New Jersey Department of Transportation shall prepare and issue a Traffic Regulation Order; and

It is further, **RESOLVED**, that the New Jersey Department of Transportation shall be responsible to place any required signs along Route NJ 9 and shall give notice to the Somers Point Chief of Police when such signs are to be placed; and

It is further, **RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be mailed by the City Clerk to the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation P.O. Box 600, Trenton, NJ 08625-0600 to the Attention of Michael E/ Mihalic, Supervisor, Traffic Investigations, Bureau of Traffic Engineering, Chief Michael Boyd of the Somers Point Police Department and Mott Associates, the Somers Point Engineer.

Resolution No. 56

M/S - Tapp/Dill

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

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Resolution No. 56 (Continued)

No. 56 of 2015

Subject: A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Introduced By: Council President Kern

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point wishes to apply for funding for a project under the Safe and Secure Communities Program (Grant #P-6149-15); and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the City of Somers Point for the purpose described in the application.

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

- 1) As a matter of public policy the City of Somers Point wishes to participate to fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
- 2) The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
- 3) The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
- 4) The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized by law.
- 5) The Mayor and City Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to complete and submit the application on behalf of the City.
- 6) The amount of grant funds applied for herein is \$23,373.00

Resolution No. 57

M/S - Tapp/Gerety

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 57 of 2015

Subject: Full time hiring of Kate L. Simmermon

Introduced By: Councilmen Tapp, Smith and McGuigan

WHEREAS, an opening exists in the Police Department for the position of Confidential Secretary to the Police Chief; and

WHEREAS, applications for the advertised position were closed on February 20, 2015; and

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

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Resolution No. 57 (Continued)

WHEREAS, Kate L. Simmermon has performed the duties of Keyboarding Clerk in Police Department on a part time basis beginning in March, 2013 and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief recommends the hiring of Kate L. Simmermon to the full time position of Confidential Secretary to the Police Chief; and

WHEREAS, funds for this full time hiring are available within the Police Department operations budget.

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

- 1.) The hiring of Kate L. Simmermon to the full time position of Confidential Secretary to the Police Chief, an unclassified position within New Jersey Civil Service (Local Government Job Specification 01336), is hereby approved effective March 1, 2015.
- 2.) Effective March 1, 2015 the salary of Kate L. Simmermon shall be in accordance with the Salary and Wage Ordinance of the City of Somers Point.
- 3.) This is an "at will" employment and is subject to the personnel policies and procedures of the City of Somers Point.

Resolution No. 58

M/S - Tapp/Gerety

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 58 of 2015

Subject: Full time hiring of Brianna King

Introduced By: Councilmen Tapp, Smith and McGuigan

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; and

WHEREAS, Brianna King has performed the duties of Keyboarding Clerk in Finance Department on a part time basis beginning in October, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator has recommended that Brianna King be hired on a full time basis; and

WHEREAS, funds for this full time hiring are available within the Finance Department operations budget.

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

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Resolution No. 58 (Continued)

- 4.) The hiring of Brianna King to the full time position of Keyboarding Clerk 1, New Jersey Civil Service Local Government Job Specification 01268, within the Finance Department is hereby approved effective March 1, 2015.
- 5.) Effective March 1, 2015 the salary of Brianna King will be in accordance with the designation of Clerk/Typist Year 1, White Collar Section of the agreement between the City of Somers Point and Teamsters Union Local No. 115.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

An application for membership in the NJ State Firemen's Association for Robert C. Blaine was approved unanimously.

An application for a Raffle License for the Alcove Center for Grieving Children and Families was approved unanimously.

An application for a Raffle License for Shore Memorial Hospital Auxiliary was approved unanimously.

Discussion of Bills

A bill list in the amount of \$1,344,031.26 as well as a record of payment list in the amount of \$3,111.53 were presented for discussion.

Public Portion

Meeting was opened to the public and duly closed.

Payment of Bills

M/S - D'Adamo/Gerety

Bills were approved by a unanimous vote of those present with Councilman McGuigan recusing himself from the bills from Falasco Mechanical as this is his primary employer.

Recess

Council recessed and took a short break at 7:37 before going into an Executive Session. Council reconvened at 8:55 p.m. Atty. Franklin noted that Administrator Swain had been instructed to go back with an offer and to proceed with Eminent Domain if not acceptable. Regarding Launch Avenue, there will be further discussion with the owners of the properties along Launch Avenue.

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Adjournment

M/S - Tapp/D'Adamo

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Carol L. Degrassi, RMC/MMC
Municipal Clerk

Approved: