

**REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
December 22, 2016**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Tapp with a salute to the flag.

Roll call was recorded as follows:

Present: Smith, D'Adamo, McGuigan, Dill, Toto, Gerety & Tapp
Also Present: Mayor Glasser, Administrator Swain, Clerk Samuelson, Deputy Clerk Mollenkopf and Attorney Franklin

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

Guest Speaker:

Police Chief Boyd thanked the Mayor and City Council for the opportunity to acknowledge two officers for exceptional duty. On November 14, 2016, the officers responded to the Route 52 Causeway Bridge where a 17 year old was contemplating suicide by jumping off the bridge. Patrolmen Daniel Bryan and Joseph Scioli bravely grabbed him and brought him over the railing to safety. Chief Boyd proudly presented both Officers with plaques for exceptional duties. After a round of applause, Chief Boyd also recognized: Captain Michael Sweeney, Detective Bob Gray, Lieutenant Anthony DiSciascio and Special Officer Jayson Chu for their outstanding job in securing the area on the bridge. Chief Boyd proudly thanked all the police officers involved in saving this young man's life.

Public Portion on Resolutions:

Meeting was opened and duly closed to the public.

Resolutions

No. 213 of 2016

M/S – Gerety/Dill

The resolution was adopted unanimously of those present.

Councilman Dill thanked both police officers for their service and continued by thanking all the police officers in the City and the Country. He stated that he appreciates their efforts and is very proud of both of them; as well as the entire police department. He complimented Chief Boyd indicating that he has an excellent police department which is evident by their capabilities. Councilman McGuigan acknowledged that the police department has traumatic situations as part of their daily service; however, an attempted suicide is most stressful. He thanked the officers for their actions on that particular day. Council President Tapp stated that the City is very proud that the officers saved an individual's life. Additionally he added that suicide involves families and friends and by putting your lives in danger, you not only saved a young man; but also his family and friends. Mayor Glasser stated that he was exceptionally proud of the entire police department for their service. He mentioned that Chief Boyd provided him the opportunity to view the footage of the heroics of the two police officers. Mayor Glasser expressed his total gratitude to the entire police department for their service to this community. Mayor Glasser and Councilman McGuigan proudly presented the resolution to both police officers.

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No. 213 of 2016

**COMMENDING SOMERS POINT POLICE
PATROLMEN DANIEL BRYAN AND JOSEPH SCIOLI FOR THEIR ACTIONS IN SAVING
A SUICIDAL TEENAGER ON NOVEMBER 14, 2016**

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2016 Patrolmen Joseph Scioli and Daniel Bryan were dispatched to Route 52 causeway bridge in response to a distressed teenager; and

WHEREAS, upon arrival at the scene the patrolmen encountered the teenager who was on the other side of the bridge railing, holding on with one hand while threatening to jump; and

WHEREAS, Patrolmen Scioli and Bryan consoled the teenager and were able to distract and bring the individual to safety; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the efforts and experience of these dedicated officers, a tragedy was averted; and

Now therefore, it is hereby **RESOLVED** that the Mayor and City Council recognize and thank Patrolmen Daniel Bryan and Joseph Scioli for their excellent teamwork as well as their caring and compassionate actions; and

It is further **RESOLVED** that we commend our Patrolmen for their professionalism and for the example they set through their dedicated service to our City and to our citizens.

No. 211 of 2016

M/S – Gerety/Toto

The resolution was adopted unanimously of those present.

Councilman McGuigan stated to the team that they should be very proud of themselves. He added that they are an excellent example of teamwork. Councilman McGuigan recognized their great achievement and extended his congratulations. Council President Tapp extended his congratulations and stated that all of their hard work and dedication gave them the undefeated season. Councilman Dill thanked the players for their efforts. Additionally, he thanked the parents for their sacrifice for them to be able to play and compete. Lastly, he thanked the coaches, and expressed how proud he was of them. With a round of applause, Mayor Glasser and Councilman McGuigan proudly presented the resolution to the team.

No. 211 of 2016

Recognizing the Mainland United Soccer Association U-14 Boys Red Devils

WHEREAS, the Mainland United Soccer Association is based in Linwood, New Jersey but is committed to the development of all players but especially those in the Mainland Regional High School sending district which includes Somers Point; and

WHEREAS, the Red Devils is the team that represents Mainland United Soccer Association in the 14 and under boys “Flight” or division of South Jersey Soccer League which is comprised of elite travel teams from all over the South Jersey Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Somers Point members of the Red Devils are Derek Barnabei, Donovan Cardoso, Emerson Cardoso, Brady Panas, Quinn Sullivan, and Gavin Weis; and

WHEREAS, the team, which travels upwards of an hour and a half to compete, has achieved unprecedented success for their club, winning three consecutive Flight Championships, Fall of 2015, Spring of 2016, and Fall of 2016 ; and

WHEREAS, during the last two seasons, the team was undefeated; and

WHEREAS, this accomplishment required a high degree of dedication and skill from these young men; and

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WHEREAS, that the dedication of these players on this Championship team reflects the City in a positive manner,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Somers Point, on behalf of themselves and our community, hereby congratulate Derek Barnabei, Donovan Cardoso, Emerson Cardoso, Brady Panas, Quinn Sullivan, Gavin Weiss and the entire Red Devils U-14 team of the Mainland United Soccer Association.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council wish these individuals continued success in all of their future endeavors, both athletic and otherwise.

Proclamations:

None

Communications:

None

Mayors Report:

Mayor Glasser reported that the holiday parade and Christmas tree lighting was a great success and a great night for Somers Point. On 12/4/16, the annual Pearl Harbor remembrance ceremony took place on the beach. Mayor Glasser reminded everyone to stay strong as a Nation and wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

City Administrator's Report:

Administrator Swain was contacted by the Northfield City Clerk requesting Somers Point's assistance with emergency sewer repairs until they hire additional employees. At this time, they only have one employee in their Sewer Department. Northfield would pay for the employees' salaries and benefits, pay 2% administrative fees and pay for any equipment used based on FEMA rates. City Council concurred with Administrator Swain's decision to assist Northfield. City Councilman Smith recused himself.

Committee Reports:

None

Approval of Minutes:

M/S – Toto/Dill

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 27, 2016, were approved by a unanimous vote of those present.

Ordinances:

None

Resolutions Continued

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No. 208 of 2016

M/S – Gerety/McGuigan

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 208 of 2016

Subject: Canceling Outstanding Checks & Bank Reconciliations Items

Introduced by: Council President Tapp

WHEREAS, the CFO has determined that certain outstanding checks and bank reconciliation items should be cancelled.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the following outstanding checks and bank reconciliation items are hereby cancelled.

General Account

Check Number	Amount
10489	\$525.00
10529	\$325.99
10793	\$84.00
10808	\$49.00
11033	\$497.00
11057	\$1,171.85
11602	\$3,252.63
11625	\$200.00
11754	\$170.00
11853	\$84.00
Total	\$6,359.47

Payroll

Check Number	Amount
000616	\$117.72
057395	\$166.31
057631	\$105.24
057814	\$2,270.53
058245	\$204.70
058289	\$1,599.50
Total	\$4,464.00

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No. 209 of 2016

M/S – Toto/Gerety

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 209 of 2016

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 Tapp

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point wishes to apply for funding for a project under the Safe and Secure Communities Program (Grant #P-6749-17); 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
- 7)

No. 210 of 2016

M/S – Gerety/Toto

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 210 of 2016

Subject: Budget Appropriation Transfer

Introduced by: Councilmen McGuigan, Gerety and D'Adamo

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.

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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 2016 budget transfer as specified in this resolution.

Current Fund

From:

Electric	6-01-31-430-275	\$ 10,000
Solid Waste Collection S&W	6-01-26-305-100	12,000

Total \$22,000

To:

Other Public Works Functions S&W	6-01-26-300-100	\$ 7,000
Other Public Works Functions OE	6-01-26-300-200	2,000
Data Processing OE	6-01-20-140-200	3,000
Street Lighting	6-01-31-435-276	<u>10,000</u>

Total \$22,000

No. 212 of 2016

M/S – Toto/Gerety

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

No. 212 of 2016

Subject: Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Fiscal Grant Cycle July, 2014 - June 30, 2019

Introduced by: Council President Tapp

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages and, therefore, has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in the community; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has applied for funding to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Atlantic.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The City Council does hereby authorize the submission of a strategic plan for the Somers Point Municipal Alliance for fiscal year 2018 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$15,038.00
Cash Match	\$3,760.00
In-Kind	\$11,278.00

2. The City Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

No. 214 of 2016

M/S – Toto/Dill

The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote of those present with City Councilman Smith recusing himself.

No. 214 of 2016

Subject: Change Order – Pump Station 1 Force Main Replacement Contract

Introduced by: Councilmen Dill, Toto and Gerety

WHEREAS, in accordance with Resolution 122 of 2016 Kline Construction Co., Inc. of Galloway Township, New Jersey was awarded the contract for the 2016 Pump Station 1 Force Main Replacement Project for the sum of \$105,092.50; and

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

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

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

Base Contract	\$105,092.50	
Change order 1 (to reflect as-built quantities)	-\$ 16,062.60	
Revised Contract Amount	\$89,029.90	
Total Deduction: \$16,062.60	Total Additional: \$0	Net Change: -15.28%

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the above listed change to the contract for the 2016 Pump Station 1 Force Main Replacement Project is hereby approved and that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to execute all documents in this regard on behalf of the City.

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Old Business:

There was none reported.

On the motion of Councilman Dill, seconded by Councilman Gerety and carried for a Waiver of the 48 hour rule to consider the item listed under New Business this evening.

New Business:

The Governing Body approved an Instant Raffle License and waiver of fee for the American Legion Post #352 with Councilman Toto recusing himself.

Discussion of Bills

Administrator Swain reported a record of payment on 12/15/16 in the amount of \$ 18,292.00 and on 12/19/16 in the amount of \$5,000.00. The bill list dated 12/20/16 is in the amount of \$622,520.74. Councilman McGuigan recused himself from the bill on Page 8 of Falasca Mechanical.

Public Portion

Public portion was duly opened and hearing nothing from the public, accordingly it was closed.

Payment of Bills

M/S – Toto/Dill

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

City Council President Tapp wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Council President Tapp congratulated Shelby Mollenkopf on her recent engagement to Dylan Heath. Councilman Dill thanked Council President Tapp for his leadership for a very successful year, which was followed by a round of applause.

Lastly, Council President Tapp announced the Reorganization Meeting scheduled for Friday, January 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy R. Samuelson, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Approved: 2/9/2017