

**COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2017  
7:00 P.M.**

<b>Mayor:</b>	<b>Robert A. Sabosik</b>
<b>Council President:</b>	<b>John Wisniewski (Absent)</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>Joseph Furmato</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>Antoinette DePaola – (Acting Council President)</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>William Borowsky</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>Pamela Snyder</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>Michael Thulen, Jr</b>
<b>Borough Attorney:</b>	<b>Christopher Dasti, Esq.</b>
<b>Borough Administrator:</b>	<b>Frank Pannucci</b>
<b>Borough Clerk:</b>	<b>Antoinette Jones</b>

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**STATEMENT BY MAYOR SABOSIK:** Pursuant to the applicable portions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. Notice of this meeting of the Governing Body has been posted in the corridor of the Municipal Building, published in the July 21, 2017 edition of *The Ocean Star* and communicated to *The Asbury Park Press*.

**A. WORKSHOP**

**1. Committee Reports**

**Council Member Snyder stated the following:** “First I want to congratulate the Police Department on running a very successful Police Youth Camp. I had the fortune to go and watch part of their day and speak with the youth before they had their friendly competition against the Brick Police Youth Camp. A great group of kids. Very respectful. The instructors were amazing with the participants in the youth camp. The activities the kids said they were doing sounded fantastic. I was teasing them though, I asked whether they learned something that they didn’t realize they could do and you could hear crickets chirping. I then joked with the officers saying that perhaps we needed to rethink our curriculum so that this way they can say they accomplished something they didn’t know they could do. But then the kids starting saying how they were excited to go on the ropes course that was coming up. They did all sorts of forensics. They talked about a paintball or laser tag thing they did. So, again, a wonderful time was had by all the youth and all of this was made possible through our Police Department, donations by residents and other funding sources. This camp is available at no cost to the residents of the Borough. So, I just wanted to thank the Police for putting the camp together and running an amazing program.

Second, I just wanted to give a quick update on our bicycle pedestrian safety plan. I did have the opportunity to speak with Jerry Foster who is the coordinator liaison with the Greater Mercer TMA, which is actually our region for Bicycle Pedestrian Safety Grants for sidewalks and crosswalks and things like that. I was advised that there is a new NJDOT liaison who we will be communicating with. I want the Council to know that at the next meeting I will be formally asking for Council’s support to make an application to the NJDOT for both technical and planning assistance from the NJDOT for an updated bicycle and pedestrian safety plan for the Borough.

I want to compliment the DPW and our contractors who are doing the roadway improvements throughout the town. Everything looks fantastic as I have been driving by and it is my understanding that residents who may have been a little concerned as to the disturbance that may be caused by all of the improvements

that we are doing have been pleasantly surprised thanks to the professionalism of our DPW and Roads Crew so, Jude, thank you and please pass our thanks along to all of the workers.”

**Council Member Thulen stated the following:** “We had a Land Use meeting a couple weeks ago and some of the stuff we are working on right now is in regards to the temporary handicap ramps since we have people getting hurt every once in a while, so we are working on a process for that. Also, temporary pods for people who are moving or whatever their situation may be. So, that is something that is also in the works and I will give you more details on that at a later date. Also I received some emails on pool rentals. I know there was an article in the Asbury Park Press a little while ago. I don’t think we have any intention of making any ordinances for it because there are two major issues that don’t apply to the Borough. One, you have to be zoned for this and it is not something we currently allow. You would have to get a special variance for that anyway and two, we have uniform construction codes that also must be followed. If anybody sees someone renting their pool out, please let us know. We will keep an eye on it.”

**Council Member Furmato stated the following:** “Riviera Parkway is almost completed and we are hoping it will be done before school starts. This really fits in to our Safe Streets to School Program because you don’t have to walk in the street anymore. We now have sidewalks there.

We have done 12 roads already this year. Riviera Parkway is number 13 and we have 2 more to finish and then we start talking about next year’s roads.

The other thing is, tonight we are going to approve the boat ramp project on Bay Avenue. It is going to Kremer & Son Construction.”

**Council Member Borowsky stated the following:** “The first Senior Services Picnic will be held on September 20<sup>th</sup> at the Riverfront Park at 11:30am. The cost is \$5.00 per person. It is a barbeque and will also feature live entertainment. The skateboard resurfacing project is tentatively scheduled for early to mid-October. The park should be closed for less than a week. There will be notifications ahead of time when this is going to happen.

The new fall recreation schedule has been finalized and is going to print. Some of the new programs will be stand up paddle boarding, Zumba, pottery classes at Wish Upon a Jar and acupuncture and self-massage workshops. Residents will be able to sign up online or in person on September 7<sup>th</sup> and nonresidents will be able to sign up on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Lastly, there was a meeting here at Borough Hall to review the final plans for Heritage Park with no boundaries. In attendance was Borough Administrator, Frank Pannucci, Superintendent of Public Works, Bob Forsyth, Recreation Superintendent, Sheri Silversmith, myself and from CME, Laura Neuman and Steve LeMoine. Laura and Steve have been the two working on the project. We had an opportunity to review the plans and the project is set to be able to get started. It is exciting to finally see the project begin.”

**Acting Council President DePaola stated the following:** “First I would like to again, thank the Police Department for the Police Youth Camp that was put on this summer. As Councilwoman Snyder said, it was a great program. I was fortunate enough to be able to attend the graduation ceremony and it was very exciting to see the kids walking cadence and just see the smiles on their faces and what a proud moment for their parents to watch them graduate from the program and see how their children matured from the first day of camp to the last day of camp. They came a long way. It was hugely successful. The kids enjoyed it and they had a lot of fun but they also learned a lot. They also learned a new respect for our Police Department and I think that is incredible.

We also had a very successful National Night Out. It was sponsored by our Community Watch Organization. The volunteers of Community Watch went above and beyond to get donations so that this National Night Out Against Crime was provided to our residents without any cost to the Borough or any cost to the people who attended. A lot of that thanks goes to our Police Department. They were there supporting the organization. They had their Police Explorers out and the Fire and First Aid Squads were there. It was a hugely successful event with free food and entertainment. If you were unfortunate enough to have to miss it this year I do hope that you could make it next summer.

Speaking of the Fire Department I just wanted to send out our thoughts and prayers to Jim VanDemark. As some of you may know, Jim VanDemark has been a long time Point Pleasant resident and firefighter. He is currently struggling with a cancer diagnosis. We will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers and we wish them nothing but the best.

Also, moving along with our Police Department, this month there were 2,364 calls for service. There were 5 DWI arrests, 3 drug arrests and 39 other arrests so you can see the Police Department was very busy during the month of July.

Also, our Police Department received a few letters from members of the public. The Water's Edge Condo Association sent a letter thanking Captain Lokerson for his help and guidance and his support when they were drafting emergency preparation guidelines and procedures for their residents and I wanted to just acknowledge Captain Lokerson. Also our Communications Officer Stephen Grady received kudos from a resident. They said that he was a positive reflection of the high standard of the Borough Police Department. Also, there was a Facebook post that thanked Officer Ippolito for his measures when he was off duty in coming to the aid of a car accident victim. This just goes to the training, experience and dedication the officers have whether they are on duty or off duty.

I just want to bring attention to everyone that there is a 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of Hope Walk that will be held on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> in Seaside Heights. The purpose of this walk is to publicize and raise awareness and educate families about the disease of addiction and to provide open resources towards recovery. This year Ocean County government is encouraging its employees to participate. The cost is \$10.00 per walker. Since this drug epidemic has touched us here so close to home it may be something for local individuals to participate in."

## **2. Report of Mayor**

**Mayor Sabosik stated the following:** "As you have heard, we have had a lot of positive events throughout the town. Point Pleasant is definitely on the road to recovery. We have created a safe town. We have rebuilt our beaches. We are rebuilding our boat ramps. We have created a safety initiative for our streets. We are well on the road to coming back bigger and better than what we were. The safety of our residents is in the foremost in our mind. And we will continue this path of rebuilding our infrastructure.

On a different note, I want to say thank you for all the phone calls, cards and flowers that I received in regards to my mother's death. Our family deeply appreciates everything and everything that was given to us. She was a great lady. She left behind a great legacy of honesty and integrity. She will be missed. It showed Point Pleasant is indeed very different. The number of people that contacted me and my family was outstanding. So I want to say thank you all."

## **B. MINUTES**

### **1. Approve Council Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2017**

**MOTION: Approve Minutes**

**MADE: Mr. Thulen**

**SECOND: Mr. Furmato**

Mr. Wisniewski: Absent  
Ms. DePaola: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes  
Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes  
Mr. Thulen: Yes

**CARRIES: Yes**

**C. ORDINANCES**

1. **Final Reading and Public Hearing**  
**Ordinance No. 2017-11 Amending and Supplementing Chapter XIX of the Borough Code, Entitled, “Land Use” and Adding Section 19-5.3f Entitled “Unroofed Porches, Decks, Patios and Terraces”**

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting for public comment regarding Ordinance No. 2017-11.

Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance**

**MADE: Mr. Thulen**

**SECOND: Mr. Furmato**

Mr. Wisniewski: Absent  
Ms. DePaola: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes  
Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes  
Mr. Thulen: Yes

**CARRIES: Yes**

2. **Final Reading and Public Hearing**  
**Ordinance No. 2017-21 Amending and Supplementing Ordinance No. 2017-01 Which Established the Borough’s Third Round Housing Plan Element and Fair Share Plan**

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting for public comment regarding Ordinance No. 2017-21.

Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance**

**MADE: Mr. Thulen**

**SECOND: Mrs. Snyder**

Mr. Wisniewski: Absent  
Ms. DePaola: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes  
Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes  
Mr. Thulen: Yes

**CARRIES: Yes**

3. **Final Reading and Public Hearing**  
**Bond Ordinance No. 2017-22 Amending and Supplementing Bond Ordinance Number 2017-06 Finally Adopted by the Borough Council on March 17, 2017, to Increase the Appropriation Therein by \$184,000 and to Increase the Authorization of Bonds or Notes Therein by \$174,800 to Finance Part of the Additional Costs Thereof**

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting for public comment regarding Ordinance No. 2017-22.

Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance**

**MADE: Mr. Borowsky**

**SECOND: Ms. DePaola**

**Mr. Wisniewski: Absent**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**

**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Ms. Snyder: Yes**

**Mr. Thulen: Yes**

**CARRIES: Yes**

**4. Final Reading and Public Hearing  
Ordinance No. 2017-23 Amending and Supplementing Chapter VII of the Borough Code Entitled "Traffic" and Specifically Section 7-3.4 Entitled "Parking Prohibited at All Times on Certain Streets"**

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting for public comment regarding Ordinance No. 2017-23.

Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance**

**MADE: Ms. DePaola**

**SECOND: Mr. Thulen**

**Mr. Wisniewski: Absent**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**

**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Ms. Snyder: Yes**

**Mr. Thulen: Yes**

**CARRIES: Yes**

**D. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION (Resolutions, Consent Agenda and Authorizations Only)  
Five (5) Minute Limit Per Person**

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

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Ordinance No. 530. An Ordinance to establish by-laws to govern the organization and procedures of the Borough Council for meetings and deliberations. Section 5. Public Participation. Each member of the public shall keep his or her remarks brief, pertinent to the issues being discussed and shall not exceed a time period of five (5) minutes in order to adequately provide all members of the public with the opportunity to address the Governing Body consistent with good order and efficiency.

MOTION: Open the meeting to the public

MADE: Mr. Thulen

SECOND: Mrs. Snyder

APPROVED: All in Favor

**Acting Council President DePaola opened the meeting to the public.**

Dennis Vitkauskis: 2117 Foster Road – Asked the Mayor and Council about Item #2 on the Consent Agenda regarding the liquor license and requested more information.

Mayor Sabosik: Stated that the person has purchased the liquor license but they do not have any information on where it will be, other than it will be in Point Pleasant.

Dennis Vitkauskis: Asked about Item #4 on the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Pannucci: Stated that since many of our parks have been run down over the years, this Mayor and Council has committed themselves to improving them. A lot of the equipment is rusting and is constantly breaking. This will allow the Borough to improve the sites and be ADA compliant.

Dennis Vitkauskis: Commented on the Boat Ramp and the improvements.

Brian Barr: Bay Head Resident – Asked for permission to hold an event in the parking lot of 737 Howe Street for the K. Hovnanian Children's Hospital.

Mr. Pannucci: Asked him to contact the Borough Clerk for assistance with this.

Joseph Albarano: 727 Howe Street – Asked about the basketball courts in the new proposed park.

Mr. Pannucci – Stated that this will be a boundless playground that allows for ADA accessibility. Noted that with the ADA compliant material it has to be half courts because there isn't space for a full court. The new park has to have a section for a 2-5 year old and a section for older children. This will allow for a special needs child, to play with a mainstream child. He stated that a lot of the ramps that have to go in are a lot wider so there is not enough room for a full court. He explained they will be updating the regular basketball courts at the Rec Center next year.

**Seeing no other hands, Acting Council President DePaola closed this portion of the meeting.**

**E. RESOLUTIONS**

**"All matters listed under item "Resolutions" will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired on any item, this item will be removed and will be considered separately."**

1. (244-2017) Bills and Claims
2. (245-2017) Void Check Resolution

**The bills totaling the amount of \$7,755,881.31 are to be paid as presented. The bills and claims list is on file in the Clerk's Office and can be reviewed Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and on Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**MOTION: Adopt Resolutions**

**MADE: Ms. DePaola**

**SECOND: Mrs. Snyder**

**Mr. Wisniewski: Absent**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: \*Abstain/Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

\*Mrs. Snyder abstained from payments made to Bathgate Wegener Wolf and voted Yes to all others.

**F. CONSENT AGENDA**

“All matters listed under item “Consent Agenda” will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired on any item, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.”

1. (246-2017) Approval Corrective Action Plan 2016 Audit
2. (247-2017) Accepting and Awarding Bid by Ryan T. Sansone for One (1) New Retail Plenary Consumption Liquor License
3. (248-2017) Award Motorola Two-Way Radios Through the NJ State Contract #83909 COF #2017-150
4. (249-2017) Award Game Time Contract Through the NJ State Contract #16-FLEET-00121, COF #2017-151
5. (250-2017) Salary Resolution – Recreation Preschool Employees
6. (251-2017) Authorize Recreation Department to Hire Seasonal Employee
7. (252-2017) Authorize Richard J. Banach to Perform Real Estate Appraisal Services – COF #2017-152
8. (253-2017) Endorsing the Point Pleasant Borough Revised Housing Element and Fair Share Plan Adopted by the Point Pleasant Borough Planning Board on July 27, 2017
9. (254-2017) Authorizing Tax Collector to Remove Billing Due to Assessing Error
10. (255-2017) Authorize Adjustment and/or Refund on Certain Tax or W/S Accounts
11. (256-2017) Authorize Refund Demolition Bond – Block, 26, Lot 8, 213 Maxson Avenue
12. (257-2017) Award Bid for Bay Avenue Boat Ramp Project to R. Kremer & Son Marine Contractors, LLC - COF #2017-153
13. (258-2017) Adopting a Revised Affordable Housing Spending Plan

MOTION: Adopt Consent Agenda

MADE: Mr. Thulen

SECOND: Mrs. Snyder

Mr. Wisniewski: Absent

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

**G. AUTHORIZATION**

1. Authorization to Solicit Bids for Heritage Park Improvements Retro-Active to 8/16/17

MOTION: Adopt Consent Agenda

MADE: Mrs. Snyder

SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Mr. Wisniewski: Absent

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

**CARRIES: Yes**

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**MOTION: Open the meeting to the public**

**MADE: Mrs. Snyder**

**SECOND: Mr. Thulen**

**APPROVED: All in Favor**

Michael Cyriacus: 728 Howe Street – Asked the Mayor and Council what other parks in the Borough are handicapped accessible.

Mr. Pannucci: Responded that there were no other handicapped accessible parks in the Borough.

Michael Cyriacus: Asked if there was a way to get a variance to try to get a full basketball court. Stated that there are so many children playing basketball in the streets that it would also help for safety reasons and traffic.

Mr. Pannucci: Stated that it has to do with American handicapped standards. There are certain ways the park has to be situated. He offered to show the plans to Mr. Cyriacus if he would like to stay after the meeting.

Michael Cyriacus: Stated that he is very excited about this park but that there are major changes going on and that no one in the neighborhood was notified.

Mr. Pannucci: Noted that this is an existing park that they are making improvements to.

Mayor Sabosik: Stated that all they are doing is upgrading the facility to meet the needs of a certain percentage of our populous that has not been met. Due to the special needs, half of the basketball court had to go. It is not large enough to fit a full-size basketball court. He also reminded the public that they received a \$100,000.00 donation from Investor's Bank in order to make these upgrades.

Peter Hagemeyer: 609 Hardenburg Avenue – Asked the Mayor and Council why we do not have crosswalks on Route 88. He stated that NJ Law requires a crosswalk wherever two streets intersect.

Lt. Leon Downs: Responded that he is correct and that they have been in contact with the State. Anything that goes on with Route 88 has to go through the NJDOT. They have received many requests for this and are working towards this.

Mr. Pannucci: Explained that the State has a new supervising engineer. He stated that our Police Department has made some great progress with this new supervising engineer. They have promised that

they are going to have someone come out within the next few weeks to look at Route 88 and sign off on the crosswalks.

Dennis Vitkauskis: 2117 Foster Road – Asked the Mayor and Council where they are on getting the microphones and sound equipment upgraded.

Mayor Sabosik: Stated that we are on a very tight budget with everything going on with the roads and everything else. We have had a couple people come in to discuss options with us but it will be in next year's budget.

Dennis Vitkauskis: Asked about the inconvenience of people parking in the Borough lot from Half Moon Point and the Post Office.

Mr. Pannucci: Stated that there has been zero problems with this. Noted that he is here every day and it has not been a problem at all.

**Seeing no other hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.**

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "Tonight we will not be going into executive session. We do not have any Contractual Matters, Possible Litigation or Personnel issues to discuss."

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

All in Favor

**TRANSCRIBED BY: VERONICA THWING, DEPUTY CLERK**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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**ANTOINETTE JONES  
BOROUGH CLERK**

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**ROBERT A. SABOSIK  
MAYOR**