

BOROUGH OF LONGPORT

WORKSHOP MEETING

December 14, 2017

9:00 am

PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW.

*Meeting called to order at 9:00 am*

*Open Public Meeting Announcement*

*Roll Call – Mayor Nick Russo, Commissioner Jim Leeds and Commissioner Dan Lawler. Also present: Engineer Carter, Clerk Conlon, Dave Miller, Richard Hirsch, Bruce Funk, and Deputy Clerk Kyle.*

*Mayor Russo changed the order of the agenda and with Engineer Carter at the beginning of the meeting.*

**Engineer Report**

*Engineer Carter discussed moving forward with a tide flex at 31<sup>st</sup> Avenue. He also provided an update on the public works site remediation. He noted that the outfall pipe at 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue will need a section repaired near the bulkhead and that the Army Corps of Engineers would be performing the repair, an old section of pipe near the bulkhead is broken and we are seeking a quote to repair. He also discussed beach access over the dunes at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and asked whether we want a hard structure with wood, or blue matting and sand. The Longport Seaview will pay for the steps at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mayor Russo requested that an ordinance be drafted regarding criteria for this type of project (steps). Engineer Carter noted that he would have an ordinance ready for the next meeting regarding the steps at the Longport Seaview. Seaview would pay us for it and we would then pay the bill to do it. Seaview would pay to maintain it. Engineer Carter noted that the Longport Point project is completed and that the borough may have a \$150,000 credit. He also asked the governing body if they would be interested in placing a plaque on the rocks regarding the project.*

*Mr. Agnellini in attendance (9:11 am).*

*Engineer Carter also noted that an elevator bid was taking place that afternoon and that there might be a potential awarding of the bid at the upcoming commission meeting.*

*Engineer Carter also noted that the borough will be filing an appeal with the NJ DEP regarding its beach access plan. He requested that Solicitor Agnellini send a letter to the NJ DEP. He also discussed relocating the electrical equipment relocation at the fire house. Engineer Carter also discussed the turnaround area and that some of the work could potentially be funded by Green Acres monies.*

*Engineer Carter also discussed that there could be space for two additional handicapped parking spaces on 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The governing body further discussed handicapped parking and that there could be time limitations placed on the spaces by signage.*

*Engineer Carter also discussed a new water well project at public works, which could have a significant impact on water rates. Would like the cost broken apart of what it would cost to use the water and what it costs to maintain infrastructure.*

### **Solicitor's Comment**

*Solicitor Agnellini noted that he met with Verizon to discuss the nodes and that Verizon is going to reevaluate where the nodes will be placed in the borough.*

### **Commissioners Reports**

#### **Mayor**

#### **Farmers Market**

*Mayor Russo discussed the farmers market and that there is the potential to move the market to the Church parking lot at 28<sup>th</sup> and Ventnor avenues. Mr. Miller discussed various scenarios for hosting the market and what the insurance requirements are for each. Mayor Russo noted that he was not inclined to have "exclusivity" clauses at the market. He also noted that there might be an issue regarding public restroom facilities. Commissioner Leeds noted that he was not in favor of moving the location of the market. Mr. Miller also had a question regarding the access area being paid for by the Seaview at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue.*

*Mr. Funk noted that the larger space at the Church may help provide parking for market goers. He recommended having the vendors run the market.*

*Mr. Ricky Gerhardt, Longport library manager, stated that the library would like to be involved in the market.*

#### **Library Expansion**

*Mayor Russo noted that he was amazed by the amount of people using the library and that the governing body is looking into expanding the facility. Mr. Greg Modelle discussed potential ideas for expansion of the library. The biggest issue noted would be in the creation of a sally port. Mr. Modelle offered to create cardboard models to help with visualization of the proposed expansion. Police Chief Culmone noted that the use of the former boiler room as a sally port has several drawbacks, including potential flooding as it is below grade, width and height issues, as well as location issues. There was additional discussion on the potential library expansion.*

*OEM Funk Suggested Moving the Commission Chambers to the Second Floor and expanding the Library into the Commission Chambers.*

#### **Commissioners**

*Commissioner Leeds and Commissioner Lawler did not have additional topics for further discussion.*

*The Engineer's report was moved to the beginning of the meeting.*

#### **Solicitor's Report**

*Solicitor Agnellini had provided an update on the Verizon nodes. He also noted that later that day he would be meeting with counsel regarding litigation involving Atlantic Avenue.*

#### **Municipal Clerk**

*Clerk Conlon reviewed the proposed resolutions for the upcoming commission meeting.*

*Commission would like Ice Cream Vendor to attend Commission Meeting on December 20, 2017.*

*Motion to Adjourn by Commissioner Lawler/Second By Commissioner Leeds All in Favor None Opposed*

*Meeting Adjourned*

*With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Lawler made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Commissioner Leeds. ALL IN FAVOR – YES. None opposed.*

*Meeting adjourned at 10:03 am.*