

**CITY OF SEA ISLE CITY, NEW JERSEY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2011 – 10:00 AM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Edwardi, Mr. Kehner, Mr. McHale and Mr. Divney, Also attending was Mayor Desiderio Administrator Mr. Savastano and Solicitor Mr. Baldini. **ABSENT:** Ms. Tighe.

Council President Divney called the meeting to order and asked everyone to rise for the flag salute and prayer. He then announced that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with P. L. 1975, Chapter 231.

Mr. Divney then asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the 10-11-11 Regular Meeting and the 10-13-11 Joint Meeting with the School Board. Motion moved by Mr. McHale and seconded by Mr. Kehner. All ayes followed.

REPORTS-Mayor and Administrator: Mayor Desiderio announced that the County received notification that it will receive 99% funding from the Federal Government for the SIC Blvd. project. He also stated the beach replenishment project in the North end will start in December and the City is scheduled to receive bids for Central Avenue on 11/22/11. He concluded by congratulating Mr. & Mrs. Kehner on the successful pie contest during Oktoberfest.

Police Captain Rose Milano provided an update on the first year of utilizing parking kiosks and answered questions from council. While there were some problems, she recommended we continue to expand the use and install more.

REPORTS-Council: Mr. McHale thanked the Environmental Commission for the beach clean-up and Mike Monichetti for the free lunch afterwards. He then announced the next council meeting will be 11-15-11 at 6:00 pm and that the police will be accepting unused prescription drugs on 10-29-11.

Mr. Divney announced there would be a Capital Plan workshop later today at 2:00 pm in council chambers.

ORDINANCES - Second Reading and Public Hearing: Mr. Divney asked for motion to take up ordinance 1510 for second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Kehner and seconded by Mr. Edwardi. All ayes followed and the clerk read the ordinance by title: **1510 – An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of Sea Isle City, Chapter 26, Various Sections Entitled “Zoning” to Address Landscaping Requirements and Design Standards.** Mr. Divney explained that the ordinance is a result of several public workshops and primarily address design standards and landscaping standards in commercial areas.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public on Ordinance 1510.

Mr. Divney asked for a motion to adopt ordinance 1510 on second reading. Motion moved by Mr. McHale and seconded by Mr. Edwardi. A unanimous aye vote followed.

CITIZEN COMMENT ~ Resolutions on Consent Agenda

Dottie Fean-350 44th St: Regarding #159, she opposed calling it a Welcome Center as she feels it is only office space.

Ann Organ-209 39th St: Asked what was being purchased with #154 and Mr. Savastano explained it was a storage shed and the reason for rejecting bids in #159 and Mr. Divney stated it was about 15% over the architect’s estimated cost.

Mr. McHale asked that #159 be removed from the consent agenda, as he does not support going out to re-bid without looking at alternatives like the school. He said that he supports the Welcome Center at the Lodge, but renovating, not putting on an addition and relocating the current users to other areas. Mr. Savastano reminded everyone that that plan publicly failed several years ago.

RESOLUTION – Consent Agenda:

- 153** Authorizing the Approval of Vouchers
- 154** Authorizing the Use of Tennis Fee Trust Funds
- 155** Authorizing Advertisement of Bids for T.I. Park Improvements
- 156** Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Property and Authorizing of On-Line Auction
- 157** Authorizing the City of Sea Isle City to Adopt a Flexible Benefits Plan (As required by section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code)
- 158** Authorizing Award of Contract – Excursion Park – Phase II
- 160** Authorizing an Extension of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Architectural Services

Mr. Divney then asked for a motion to adopt the resolutions on the consent agenda #153 - #158 & #160. Motion moved by Mr. McHale and seconded by Mr. Edwardi. All ayes followed.

- 159** Authorizing the Rejection of Bids and Authorizing Re-Bid for the Sea Isle Welcome Center

Mr. Divney next asked for a motion to adopt resolution #159. Motion moved by Mr. Edwardi and seconded by Mr. Kehner. All ayes followed, except Mr. McHale voted no.

PENDING BUSINESS: Mr. McHale asked for a response to Mr. Moore's questions at the last meeting. Mr. Savastano indicated that Mr. Moore came into City Hall and he explained that the City is working diligently on getting the FEMA discount and that he would not publicly discuss any disciplinary actions.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. McHale asked if council wanted to revisit the commercial zoning/density issue and Mr. Divney responded that it was his plan to ask for a recommendation from the Planning Board. All Council members agreed and he advised that he would send a letter to the Board.

Mr. Divney announced that the Administration is currently reviewing beach fees, marina boat slip and ramp fees and rental permit fees. He stated that comparisons to neighboring communities are being done and that any changes will be in an ordinance to be introduced at the next meeting on 11-15-2011.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

John Fee-220 43rd St: Asked why the Tennis Fee Trust has not been changed to the Recreation Trust Fund and asked if the amusement park revenue funds it and was told no.

Don Boyle-5909 Central: As a member of the School Board, he thanked the Council for the joint meeting and for starting a dialogue that the Board hopes will continue.

Dave Helfrich-21 36th St: Complained about the sign violation that is not enforced at Brizzles. Mr. Divney stated that the City is working with the owner to resolve. Mr. Helfrich asked when and Mr. Divney said he will get the information and call him.

George Marinari-222 55th St: Asked if there could be a schedule or some notification regarding the street cleaning.

Jack Moore-42 74th St: Reiterated his questions from the last meeting and Mr. Divney explained that they were answered during Pending Business, however, Mr. Moore was not present so they were repeated. He also suggested increasing the rental permit fee and fines for violations.

Ann Organ-209 39th St: Asked for the amount of parking meter revenue and was told it will be provided at a future meeting.

Irene Jamison-1500 Landis Ave: Asked for improved dune walkovers in the north end, suggested creating a parking lot in the north end and extending the trolley route and opposed the addition to the Lodge but supported the renovation and creating a Welcome Center.

Steve Hansberry-5712 Central Ave: Asked when the Library will open and the Mayor responded there is a delay due to certain glass for the stairs and unsure what the date will be. He then handed a list of questions the neighbors have regarding the Central Avenue roadway construction and the Mayor offered to hold a Saturday meeting with everyone to answer questions.

Jerry Murphy-27 85th ST: Suggested the fine for not obtaining a rental permit should be the maximum allowed.

Dottie Fean-350 44th St: Opposed the addition to the Lodge for a Welcome Center and the demolition of the old library.

Mr. Divney asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Edwardi and seconded by Mr. McHale. All ayes followed and the meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.

Cindy L. Griffith, City Clerk