

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF STONE HARBOR HELD IN THE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
January 16, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Davies-Dunhour at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Judith M. Davies-Dunhour, Mayor
Emily Dillon, Borough Clerk
Marcus Karavan, Solicitor
Manny Parada, Borough Administrator

PRESENT

Councilmembers
Frank Dallahan
Victor Foschini
Bunny Parzych
Robin Casper
Jennifer Gensemer
Tim Carney

Mayor Davies-Dunhour announced that the meeting was now open. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided by posting a copy of the time and place on the Municipal Clerk's bulletin board and mailing a copy of same to the Press and the Cape May County Herald on January 4, 2023.

FOR THE RECORD, THIS WORK SESSION WAS HELD VIA VIDEO/TELEPHONE
CONFERENCE IN A ZOOM FORMAT AS WELL AS IN PERSON

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Swearing in of full time Police Officer Antonio Morales.

Mayor Davies-Dunhour administered the Oath of Allegiance to Officer Morales.

Reports of Standing Committees

Public Safety Committee- Councilmember Dallahan

Fire Department

Chief Roger Stanford is out of town and will report at a later meeting.

Police Department

-Chief Tom Schutta provides the December 2023 police report, the full report is on file in the Clerk's office. Chief Schutta mentions court is still being held virtually.

Lifeguard Captain

Captain Sandy Bosacco is absent and Councilmember Dallahan reads the report stating the beach patrol department is inventorying their materials and equipment to prepare for the 2024 season.

Office of Emergency Management

-OEM Coordinator Frank Vaul is out of town and will report at a later meeting.

Recreation & Tourism Committee-Councilmember Foschini

-Recreation

Shannon MacPherson states the competitive bid process for the summer recreational camps is now open until January 31st. Ms. MacPherson reminds everyone of the Mayor's Wellness program and encourages employees to participate and announces the Borough Burn program is beginning and will be held on Thursdays at 4PM. Ms. MacPherson states she is coordinating CPR training for the employees and is working with the fire department to schedule dates. Ms. MacPherson announces the first Tuesday of the month the recreation department will be hosting guest speakers from Cape Regional to present on information for a healthy lifestyle and the Crafty Chef program is scheduled for February 10th and registration will be available on the website. Ms. MacPherson notes the recreation department is collaborating with administration and the engineer to apply for an Open Space Grant for the damaged playgrounds.

-Tourism

Jenny Olson presents the Special Event Application for Oceanview at Avalon Condominium's Association annual meeting which will be held at the recreation building and states all of the necessary paperwork has been submitted. Ms. Olson mentions there will be an upcoming Recreation and Tourism meeting with public safety officials to discuss relocating the fireworks to 82nd Street recreation fields. Borough Engineer, Marc DeBlasio presents the timeline for 96th Street reconstruction and Ms. Olson states she will add this information to the website as well as send an email to property owners.

Natural Resources Committee- Councilmember Carney

Councilmember Carney thanks Councilmember Casper for her years of dedication to the Committee and provides an overview of what was discussed at the first meeting on January 12th.

Discussion:

Preliminary Budget Presentation- Jim Craft, CFO

Mr. Craft presents and details the operating budgets for the below departments. The presentation is on file in the Clerk's office.

- Finance
- Police Department
- Office of Emergency Management
- Fire Department
- Aid to Rescue Squad
- Uniform Fire Code Official
- Public Works
- Solid Waste
- Buildings and Grounds
- Animal Control
- Safety Compliance
- Recreation
- Beach Patrol
- Summary of Departmental Operating Budgets

Presentation on Parking Options in Stone Harbor

Borough Administrator, Manny Parada presents a detailed presentation of parking options in Stone Harbor including direct and indirect costs. The full presentation is on file in the Clerk's office and available to view on the website. Council discusses at length the options and effects on the Borough regarding parking and agrees to keep an ongoing discussion approaching the summer season.

Planning Board Ordinance Recommendations

- **Ordinance 1654-** An ordinance amending Chapter 560, Zoning of the revised general ordinances of the Borough of Stone Harbor amending the Zoning Code for Bulkhead and Habitable Story (tabled at the November 7th meeting)

Paul Kates, Planning Board Engineer, states the changes to this ordinance include removing the word "habitable" and provides clarity to prevent further challenges regarding stories and how many are permitted, which is two. Mr. Kates mentions there are FEMA state guidelines the Borough must abide by which were considering in formatting this ordinance.

- **Proposed Zone D Ordinance**

Mr. Kates explains the Planning Board was approached by several residents of Linden Lane requesting the board approve allowances based on their unique limitations. Mr. Kates states the Planning Board compared Linden Lane to Court properties and determined it is in different physical location and made up a different type and style of house. Mr. Kates states the properties on Linden Lane do not fit into the criteria of the residential C zone, therefore this ordinance would result in removing Linden Lane from the C zone and explains in detail what regulations would be implemented in the proposed zone D.

Motion to adjourn.

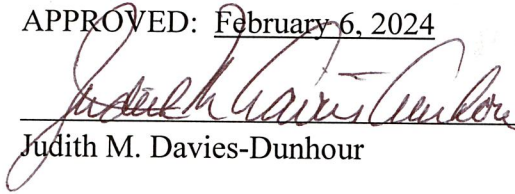
Motion: Dallahan **Second:** Parzych

Dallahan: Yes **Foschini:** Yes **Parzych:** Yes **Casper:** Yes **Gensemer:** Yes **Carney:** Yes

The Work Session Meeting of Mayor and Council adjourned at 6:26PM.

Work Session, January 16, 2024

APPROVED: February 6, 2024

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Judith M. Davies-Dunhour

ATTEST , Borough Clerk
Emily Dillon

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