

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF STONE HARBOR HELD IN THE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
October 15, 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

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, 2024.

**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

Reports of Standing Committees:

Public Safety Committee– Councilmember Dallahan

Fire Department

Chief Stanford is absent and Borough Clerk Emily Dillon reads the report for September 2024 into the record, the full report is on file in the Clerk’s office.

Police Department

Chief Schutta provides a report for September 2024 as well as a brief personnel update, the full report is on file in the Clerk’s office.

Beach Patrol

Mr. Bosacco provides an end of season report stating it was a safe and successful season and thanks and commends all of his employees for their hard work and dedication.

Office of Emergency Management

Mr. Vaul is absent and will present his report at a future meeting.

Recreation and Tourism- Councilmember Foschini

Recreation – Shannon MacPherson, Recreation Director

Ms. MacPherson states the Sky Hawks and Super Tots programs have been off to a great start and well attended. Ms. MacPherson comments on the Halloween signups for trick or treating and states the deadline to register is October 24th and the finalized maps will be available on the recreation website shortly thereafter. Ms. MacPherson states the fitness classes continue to be well attended and the Wildwood Catholic’s fall sports seasons are coming to end and will not be utilizing the fields until the spring sports begin.

Tourism Director – Jenny Olson

Ms. Olson states the Vintage Car Show occurred on October 13th with a great turn out and mentions the Beach Sweep is October 19th at 9am at the 96th beach entrance. Ms. Olson reminds the public registration is required for the beach sweep and there is the option to preregister or register on site. Ms. Olson states the Avalon Stone Harbor Elementary School Halloween Carnival is October 18th at the recreation building. Ms. Olson states the Island Holiday weekend is scheduled for November 29th and 30th and is putting together the event schedule.

Natural Resource Committee – Councilmember Carney

Councilmember Carney states the committee met at the Wetlands Institute for their last meeting to discuss ongoing projects including the marsh replenishment that when complete will assist in

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restoring the wetlands and protecting the ecosystem as well as the ongoing project of ridding the dunes of invasive plants located at 119th Street. Mr. Carney provides an update regarding the bird sanctuary stating a lot of work has occurred to remove invasive plants and Princeton Hydro, the Borough's landscaping partner, installed roughly 45 plantings.

DISCUSSION

- Beach Utility Presentation- Mike Garcia- Ford, Scott & Associates LLC

Mr. Garcia presents a detailed analysis of the pros and cons of creating a beach utility. The full presentation is on file in the Clerk's office.

- 1672 An Ordinance to Reappropriate Various Funded Ordinances that Include Projects Completed for Recreation Improvements

Ms. Lindsay explains the purpose for this ordinance is the Borough held a bid opening for the 96th Street Recreations Improvements and the bids received were higher amounts than anticipated. Ms. Lindsay states she and Mr. Parada reviewed older ordinances that have already been funded and reappropriate those ordinances to provide additional funding for the 96th Street Recreation Improvements. Ms. Lindsay mentions due to temperature restraints and time sensitive issues this ordinance is on the regular meeting agenda for introduction.

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Carney **Second:** Gensemer

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

The Work Session Meeting of Mayor and Council adjourned at 4:50PM.

APPROVED: October 1, 2024

 _____, Mayor

Judith M. Davies-Dunhour

 _____, Borough Clerk

Emily Dillon