

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF STONE HARBOR HELD IN THE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
December 17, 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 provides a report for November 2024, the full report is on file in the Clerk’s office. Mr. Stanford acknowledges the 40 years Mayor Davies-Dunhour has dedicated to the Borough and states he was lucky to work with her and commends her for maintaining the small town feeling of Stone Harbor. Mr. Stanford wishes the Mayor luck in her future endeavors.

Police Department

Captain Palmer provides a report for November 2024 as well as a brief personnel update, the full report is on file in the Clerk’s office. Mr. Palmer thanks Mayor Davies-Dunhour for her years of service to the Borough and states he is extremely proud that she never sacrificed her character or morals and always fought for what was best for the Borough. Mr. Palmer thanks the employees of the Police department for their professionalism and dedication to the job. Mr. Palmer thanks Council for their support and looks forward to fixing problems moving forward.

Beach Patrol

Mr. Bosacco states he is getting together the information and forms for the 2025 lifeguards as well as repairing equipment. Mr. Bosacco thanks Mayor Davies-Dunhour for her years of leadership and support.

Office of Emergency Management

Mr. Vaul states there was minor flooding in the month of November. Mr. Vaul mentions there are upcoming County meetings regarding the emergency operations plans as well hazard mitigation planning and will update Council following the meetings. Mr. Vaul thanks Mayor Davies-Dunhour for her years of service and constant support for the Public Safety Departments.

Recreation and Tourism- Councilmember Foschini

Tourism Director – Jenny Olson

Ms. Olson reports on a successful Island Holiday weekend and thanks all the employees for their efforts as well as the vendors for participating. Ms. Olson thanks Mayor Davies- Dunhour for always participating and taking such an active role in the Borough’s events. Ms. Olson thanks the Mayor for her friendship and support over the years and congratulates her on a job well done and well wishes.

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Natural Resource Committee – Councilmember Carney

Councilmember Carney shares a few words of thanks for Mayor Davies-Dunhour and her years of service to the Borough. Mr. Carney acknowledges the voice the Mayor has been for the citizens and employees and always striving to make Stone Harbor the seashore at its best. Mr. Carney states his appreciation for the Mayor’s shared experience and wisdom as well as leadership and love for the borough. Mr. Carney wishes Mayor Davies-Dunhour the best of luck.

Councilmember Carney reports the Point Access road remains closed, but sand is accumulating and is optimistic the road can be rebuilt. Mr. Carney thanks the police and fire department for their quick response to the recent washed ashore boat. Mr. Carney details the tasks completed by the Natural Resources Committee in 2024 and thanks the employees of the Wetlands and Bird Sanctuary. Mr. Carney invites Lenore Tedesco to give her year end report.

Ms. Tedesco states the marsh restoration project is completed and will serve as a significant resource for the Borough. Ms. Tedesco provides a year end report on the 2024 Shorebird Stewardship program, the full report is on file in the Clerk’s office.

DISCUSSION

Councilmember Casper reads a poem she wrote in honor of Mayor Davies-Dunhour.

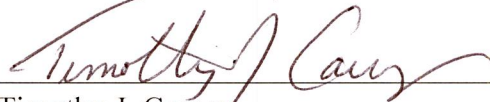
Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Dallahan **Second:** Carney

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

The Work Session Meeting of Mayor and Council adjourned at 5:07PM.

APPROVED: January 21, 2025


_____, Mayor
Timothy J. Carney


_____, Borough Clerk
Emily Dillon