

August 12, 2016

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Deal, New Jersey was held on August 12, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Mayor Cohen, Commissioner Ades and Commissioner Simhon
Also Present: Martin Barger, Borough Attorney

It was stated that in conjunction with the "Open Public Meeting Law", p.l. 1975 ch. 231, a notice required by this statute has been satisfied as per a resolution passed on December 9, 1997 at 5:05 P.M. at Borough Hall at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Borough of Deal, and Monmouth County, New Jersey. Notice of the change in date and time of this meeting was published in the Asbury Park Press and the Coaster and posted on the bulletin Board

It was moved by Commissioner Ades, seconded by Commissioner Simhon and carried that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting held on July 27, 2016 be dispensed with and the same be approved as recorded.

The following Resolutions were discussed and enacted:

Commissioner Simhon offers the following Resolution:

Resolution 16-104

WHEREAS, the Borough of Deal is in need of re-designing the landscape at the Deal Casino; and

WHEREAS, Ehrich & Ehrich Construction fits the needs of the Borough to provide a landscape design requires fifty percent (50%) payment of the total amount of \$7,500; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Deal, hereby approves the fifty percent (50%) payment for landscape design for the Deal Casino in the amount of \$3,750.00.

Seconded by Commissioner Ades

Roll Call: Ayes 3; Cohen, Ades & Simhon

Commissioner Ades offers the following Resolution:

Resolution 16-105

RESOLUTION APPROVING A JOINT PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR FIT TESTING EQUIPMENT WITH THE CITY OF ASBURY PARK

WHEREAS, the Asbury Park Fire Department has a need to purchase fit test equipment for the safety of the firefighters; and

WHEREAS, three quotes were obtain by the City of Asbury Park to purchase this equipment and Nat Alexander Company was the lowest responsible quote in an amount of \$9,685.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Deal also has the need for the above mentioned equipment and has agreed to pay fifty percent (50%) of the total purchase price.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Deal, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey hereby approves the purchase of fit testing equipment in an amount not to exceed \$4,842.50 payable to the City of Asbury Park.

Seconded by Commissioner Simhon

Roll Call: Ayes 3; Cohen, Ades & Simhon

A report of the monthly activities, time and sick use for the Police Department in July was received from Chief Ronen Neuman.

A report of the Building Department for the month of July was received from Allison Gavin.

A report of the disbursement checks for the Municipal Court for July was received from Mary Ellen Supon.

An application for the Historic Preservation Grant Program was received from the Monmouth County Historical Commission.

A health update was received from the Ocean Monmouth Health Alliance advising that August is immunization awareness month.

A flier was received from the Monmouth County Parks System advising of their September 11th Memorial Service at Mount Mitchill Scenic Overlook, Atlantic Highlands.

A public hearing notice was received from Jersey Central Power & Light which is proposing transfer of transmission assets and lease of real property to Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission.

A public hearing notice was received from the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders to receive input on the application to NJ Transit for the Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents Assistance Program.

A letter was received from NJ State Department of Transportation announcing that applications are being accepted for the 2016 Transportation Alternatives Program.

The Annual Audit Statement was received from the NJ State League of Municipalities.

A letter was received from Unbroken Warriors advising of the Jersey Shore Walk in September 2016. This walk is to bring awareness for the 22 veterans who commit suicide each day.

A letter was received from the Congregation Torat El thanking the Borough for the use of the Conover Pavilion for services.

An email was received from the Deal Sephardic Community requesting use of the Deal Casino for a party on August 27th. The party will be the same as in years past. The Board of Commissioners approved the use of the Deal Casino.

A letter was received from the Special Childrens Center updating on their event to be held at the DSN on August 17th. Mary Ann Cronheim, 88 Monmouth Drive objected to the correspondence stating that this was not on the agenda. Mrs. Cronheim stated that a special meeting was to be held for the event. Mayor Cohen stated that he spoke with the organizers and did not

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feel that he needed a special meeting. Martin Barger, Borough Attorney, stated that they will discuss the event at this meeting.

Mayor Cohen stated that he would like to discuss and vote on the event until after public comment.

The following Resolution was offered by Commissioner Ades:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Deal, New Jersey that the following bills reported by the finance committee be ordered paid and vouchers drawn for same as listed on page 16-06 of the Warrant Register in the amount of \$589,175.15.

Seconded by Commissioner Simhon

Roll Call: Ayes 3; Cohen, Ades & Simhon

Mayor Cohen requested comments from the floor.

Renee Grossman, 5 Poplar Avenue, addressed the Board of Commissioners stating that everyone should stop the use of saying our community. She stated the Syrian kids will not play with other kids, and we should work as one town. Jennifer Krimko, Ansell, Grimm & Aaron, stated that she was extremely offended, that the statement was discriminatory and offensive. Mrs. Grossman stated she was trying to make it the Borough as one town. Commissioner Ades stated that we see a community within a community and you cannot separate that. Mayor Cohen commented that our community is the entire town. Mayor Cohen stated that we run the entire town, we don't make it prejudicial to one group.

Mary Ann Cronheim, 88 Monmouth Drive, asked the Board of Commissioners that she was told there would be a special meeting to discuss the Special Childrens Center event. Mayor Cohen stated that he met with the representatives along with the Police Chief to discuss the event and did not feel a special meeting was necessary. Mrs. Cronheim asked what was learned from the discussion. Mayor Cohen stated there was a representative here from the Special Childrens Center. Mayor Cohen also stated that previous reports about problems at Monmouth University were inaccurate. Commissioner Simhon stated that he spoke with representatives at Monmouth University and he was told they did not have any problems.

Jennifer Krimko, Ansell, Grimm & Aaron, stated to the Board of Commissioners that she represents the DSN. Ms. Krimko commented that the Board of Commissioners have approved events for the Fire Department and Police Department.

Barbara Coffey, 85 Norwood Avenue, asked the Commissioners if anyone has donated to the Special Childrens Center. Each Commissioner stated no. Ms. Coffey asked if any Commissioner had any family associated with the Special Childrens Center. The Commissioners each stated no and not that I am aware of. Ms. Coffey also commented that the Board of Commissioners denied the Ronald McDonald House charity event last year. Commissioner Simhon stated that they are open to any charity.

Ganine Schwecky, Special Childrens Center, addressed the Board of Commissioners explaining what the Center does and what they had planned for the event on August 17th. Barbara Coffey asked if anyone can buy a ticket, Mrs. Schwecky stated it is open to anyone.

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Harry Adjmi, 54 Parker Avenue, stated to the Board of Commissioners that we need unity in the community and world peace. He stated he would like to do more good and more charitable events. Mr. Adjmi stated the Syrian Community is here to stay and they want to do good. Mr. Adjmi stated the event is a good thing.

Victoria Boyt, 1 Roseld Avenue, stated that it is all about love and peace. Ms. Boyt asked if there were any ordinances or rules and regulations for events. Ms. Boyt asked if the rules are being followed. Commissioner Simhon stated that if other organizations come to the Board they would also approve. Ms. Boyt stated that we ask you to unite the community, you are our leaders.

MaryAnn Cronheim, asked the Mayor if he had made a decision on changing the meetings from Friday at 9:00am. Mrs. Cronheim stated that 40% of the meetings are changed. Mayor Cohen stated that he has not made the decision at this time.

Isadora Chamlin, 5 Poplar Avenue, stated to the Board of Commissioners that Carrie at the Deal Casino does not know anything about the Special Childrens Event. Mayor Cohen stated that we will notify her when he feels it is necessary.

Mayor Cohen made a motion to allow the Special Childrens Event at the DSN basketball courts on August 17th. Commissioner Simhon seconded. Roll Call: Ayes 3; Cohen, Ades & Simhon

Mayor Cohen asked for any additional comments from the public, which there was none and closed the floor to public comments.

It was announced that the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be on Friday, August 26, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.

There being no further business or comments, it was moved, seconded and approved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:32 A.M.

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Clerk