

REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 – 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Commissioner McGovern, Commissioner Gorman, Mayor Mahon

Borough Clerk reads the following statement:

This is a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Avon-By-The-Sea and notice of time, date and place has been transmitted to the area newspapers, Avon Board of Education, Avon Public Library and the Avon Post Office in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Open Public Meetings Law.

Fire Exits are located in the direction I am indicating. In case of fire, you will be notified by an alarm bell. If so notified, please move in a calm, orderly manner to the nearest smoke free exit. Thank you.

Motion by McGovern seconded by Gorman that the minutes of the meeting of August 24, 2015 be approved as written.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

RESOLUTION offered by Gorman seconded by McGovern that,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Avon-By-The-Sea has received a grant of \$74,286.00 from the State of New Jersey and wishes to amend its 2015 Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Borough of Avon-By-The-Sea hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2015 in the sum of \$74,286.00 which is now available as a revenue from:

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services:

State and Federal Revenues Off-Set with Appropriations:

Assistance to Firefighters Grant pursuant to provisions of Statute, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of
.\$74,286.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:**

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

(a) Operations Excluded from 5% CAPS

State and Federal Programs Off-Set by Revenues:

Assistance to Firefighters Grant - Other Expenses

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk forward two copies of this Resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

RESOLUTION offered by McGovern seconded by Mahon that,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Avon-By-The-Sea has received a grant of \$240,000.00 from the State of New Jersey and wishes to amend its 2015 Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Borough of Avon-By-The-Sea hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2015 in the sum of \$240,000.00 which is now available as a revenue from:

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

**Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services:
State and Federal Revenues Off-Set with Appropriations:
NJ DOT Grant pursuant to provisions of Statute, and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$240,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

(a) Operations Excluded from 5% CAPS

State and Federal Programs Off-Set by Revenues:

NJ DOT Grant - Other Expenses

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk forward two copies of this Resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

Mr. Gallagher explained that this grant will be used for East End Ave. for new curbs, gutters and paving & Washington Ave. from 3rd to Ocean for milling and new asphalt.

RESOLUTION offered by McGovern seconded by Mahon that the Board of Commissioners hereby award the contract for plumbing services at the Department of Public Works building to Alex Callander Plumbing, Manasquan, NJ, for the low quote of \$23,000.00.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

RESOLUTION offered by McGovern seconded by Mahon that the Board of Commissioners hereby award the contract for electrical services at the Department of Public Works building to Breaker Electric for the low quote of \$35,000.00.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

RESOLUTION offered by Mahon seconded by McGovern that the Board of Commissioners hereby approve the following Hotel and Rooming House licenses.

Hotel Licenses:

The Columns Hotel

The Norwood Inn

The Cashelmara Inn

Rooming House Licenses:

Frank Giordano

The Atlantic View Inn

The Twin Pines

Sophie Feskos

The Ocean View Inn

The Avon Manor

Inactive Licenses:

Craig Suchecki

Kathleen Bourke

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

RESOLUTION offered by Mahon seconded by McGovern that the Board of Commissioners hereby approve a Raffles License for the Bradley Beach PTO to be held October 10, 2015 from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm at The Columns, 601 Ocean Ave., Avon.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

Motion by McGovern seconded by Mahon that the bills in the amount of \$1,098,593.17 be approved for payment.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

Department Head reports:

Sheila Watson, Librarian – made over \$4,100 on book fair. Thanked all the volunteers.

Charlie Rooney, Engineer – expect DOT approval this week to advertise for lane project.

Karl Klug, Water Dept. Supt. – will be flushing hydrants next week. Will be switching over to NJ American Water 1st or 2nd week in Oct.

Terry Mahon, Police Chief – gave a summary of tickets given over the summer. Talked about Class I Specials and their training. Said they did a great job this year.

Mayor asks if anyone would like to be heard?

Janice Cunningham asked about criminal violations? Chief explained.

Janice Cunningham suggested there be someone at the bathrooms all the time to keep people from changing in them.

It was suggested that there be changing rooms at the beach.

Jim Tuohy – should be more open minded about changing rooms somewhere. Been talking about this for years. Maybe there is a solution.

More discussion on changing at the beach.

Marion Berry suggested posting signs with the fines on them as a deterrent.

Raising prices of beach badges suggested. Mayor spoke about the public advocate case years ago regarding badge fees.

Someone asked about the \$350,000 beach surplus from this year. Mr. Gallagher explained how that works with the budget. You're allowed to budget what you made the year before. If you budget too much and you have a bad summer, you will be in the hole.

More discussion on the summer traffic & parking problems.

Motion by Gorman seconded by McGovern that being there is no further business, the meeting is adjourned.

The Vote:

Aye: All

No: None

Robert Mahon, Mayor

Robert P. McGovern, Commissioner

Francis E. Gorman, Commissioner

**Timothy M. Gallagher, RMC
Borough Clerk**