

**MINUTES FOR COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 16, 2022**

The Meeting held at South Amboy City Hall, 140 North Broadway, South Amboy, New Jersey, was called to order by Council President Gross at 6:00 P.M. The City Clerk read the Opening Prayer and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Councilwoman Dato, Councilman McLaughlin, Councilman Reilly and Councilman Gross

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Fred Henry, Glenn Skarzynski, Business Administrator, Deborah Brooks, City Clerk, Mark Rasimowicz, City Engineer and Francis Womack, City Attorney.

Clerk Brooks read the Notice of Publication Certification.

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**DISCUSSION:**

- 1) Ordinance 10-36 Traffic Ordinance – The Council set up a committee comprised of Mr. Reilly, Mr. Gross, and Sgt. Clark to address changes needed to bring the traffic code up to date. Mr. Skarzynski mentioned that a traffic study would need to be completed and incorporated into the new code.
- 2) Sayreville Association for Brain Injured Children Charity Ball – The Clerk related that the advertisement that had been purchased for the 2020 event had been applied to the 2022 event.

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**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The following items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of the Agenda.

**MOVED by:** Mr. McLaughlin of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Resolution NO. 22-085 through NO. 22-091, amending 22-086, are hereby approved. **SECONDED by:** Mr. Reilly.  
**ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

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- NO. 22-085 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST BRUNSWICK REGARDING USE OF THEIR FIREARMS TRAINING FACILITY
- NO. 22-086 RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SOUTH AMBOY
- NO. 22-087 RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20
- NO. 22-088 DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

- NO. 22-089 AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A SENIOR CITIZEN TAX DEDUCTION –  
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- NO. 22-090 RESOLUTION CERTIFYING ACTIVE MEMEBERSHIP WITH SOUTH AMBOY  
FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN’S ASSOCIATION  
ELIGIBILITY
- NO. 22-091 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH AMBOY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE CERTIFICATION OF THE  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS CONCERNING COSTS INCURRED IN THE  
BOARDING UP OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 139 S. ROSEWELL ST.  
BLOCK 161.02, LOT 22, AND AUTHORIZING THE  
PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY FOR SAID COSTS.

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**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-092**  
**APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF MINUTES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of South Amboy does hereby approve and release the Council Minutes of the March 2, 2022 Council Meeting.

**MOVED by:** Mr. Reilly of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Resolution No. 22-092 is hereby approved. **SECONDED by:** Mr. McLaughlin **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-093**  
**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of South Amboy does hereby receive and approve the payment of the bill list dated March 10, 2022, as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the bill list be appended to the official minutes.

**MOVED by:** Mr. Reilly of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Resolution No. 22-093 is hereby approved. **SECONDED by:** Mr. McLaughlin. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

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**ORDINANCES:**

**SECOND READING/ADOPTION**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-02**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1036 ENTITLED "PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS" FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH AMBOY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY - REMO VE, MANION-163 STOCKTON ST., MAXFIELD-255 BORDENTOWN AVE., MCCARRON-316 DAVID ST., MUSIALEK-267 RARITAN ST., SMITH-350 MAIN ST., WEISER-435 JOHN ST., 312 JOHN ST., CANOSA-216 SECOND ST., PURCELL-318 HENRY ST., FENLON - 141 S. FELTUS**

**OPEN PUBLIC – no comment**  
**CLOSE PUBLIC**

**MOVED by:** Ms. Dato, of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Ordinance #2022-02 is hereby adopted.

**SECONDED by:** Mr. Reilly, **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

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**COMMENTS:**

Mr. Reilly:

- Thanked the food pantry and first responders for their continued good work.
- Inquired if anything could be done to stop the distribution of flyers in the City. The Business Administrator will follow up with Code Enforcement.
- Confirmed that the Council had passed an Ordinance that prohibited doing car repairs on the street and asked about better enforcement of the ordinance.
- Reported that during Government Week the Council will honor people from the First Aid Squad, Fire Department, Recreation and Senior Citizens Center and have them speak to broaden awareness of what the City has to offer.
- Thanked Mr. Gross and parade committee members for their hard work and invited all to come out and safely enjoy the Parade on Sunday.

Mr. McLaughlin:

- Thanked the public who had come out to attend the meeting.
- Thanked the emergency workers both professional and volunteers for their continued good work.
- Received and update on the Catherine St. and Fourth St. properties.
- Confirmed with the business administrator that no tax revenue numbers had been finalized.
- Thanked the Parade Committee for all its hard work and invited all to attend.
- Sent out thoughts and prayers to the Ukrainian people.

Ms. Dato:

- Reported that the Senior Center’s “Lunch and Learn” first time program had been a well attended event featuring an estate planning attorney.
- Reported she had attended the ribbon cutting for the Bordentown Avenue project – there are some lovely views from some of the units.
- Expressed gratitude to the Parade Committee members and volunteers for all their hard work.
- Noted what was occurring to the Ukrainian people was reprehensible and we should keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Mr. Womack:

- Noted he was looking forward to the Parade on Sunday.

Mr. Gross:

- Noted the Parade was at 2pm Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. He thanked all the people who worked on the parade noting they did a phenomenal job. There will a mass at 9am, the flag raising at 10am, the Hibernian breakfast at 11am and a concert at St. Mary’s at 7pm.
- There will be a plastic bag ban beginning in May – details to follow.
- The fire works will be July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Mayor Henry:

- Thanked everyone who worked on the Parade and congratulated all the honorees.
- Reported the 611 Bordentown Ave ribbon cutting had been a successful event.
- Noted the "Lunch & Learn" event had been well attended.
- Sent his condolences to the family of Camille Tooker.
- Noted if anyone wanted to contribute to the cause of the Ukrainians the City website had a number of options posted.

Mr. Skarzynski:

- Boy Scout Troop 95 is holding a clothing drive at Sacred Heart Church.
- Requested everyone be respectful and compliant with any Police requests at the Parade on Sunday.
- Thanked all involved in the execution of the Parade and noted it would be a multicultural event.

Mr. Rasimowicz:

- Sent his best to all the Parade Honorees.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: No Comments**

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Reilly and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Brooks  
Municipal Clerk  
Approved April 6, 2022