

Borough of
SOMERDALE
The Crossroads of South Jersey
CAUCUS
FEBRUARY 12, 2025

CALL TO
ORDER Mayor Badey called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

SALUTE THE
FLAG

SUNSHINE
STATEMENT Municipal Clerk

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was given by way of emailing to the Courier Post and The Retrospect and posted in Borough Hall on January 8, 2025.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Mayor George Badey
Councilman Dave Alexander
Councilman George Ehrmann-telephoned in
Councilwoman Barbara Kane
Councilman Larry Sefchick
Solicitor John Kearney
Superintendent of DPW Dave Schiavo
Police Chief Jim Walsh
Valerie Ciminera, CFO
Gary Passanante, Economic Development Consultant
Municipal Clerk Michele Miller, RMC, CMR

ABSENT
Councilman Ed Kain
Councilman Nicholas Loberto
Engineer Greg Evans

CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS Administrator, Borough Clerk, Engineer, Solicitor, Tax Collector, Construction Official, Court Administrator, Chief of Police, CFO, Fire Chief, Ambulance Corps, Planning/Zoning Board, Special Events, Emergency Management, Public Works, Sewer Department, Fire Marshal, Code Enforcement, Finance

Schiavo gave the Public Works report

Chief Walsh gave the police report

Passanante gave an update on the economic development-updating council on the grand opening of High Profile Cannabis, Cunningham Cleaners and Umi's property, update on 301 W. Somerdale Road

Kearney National Reality asking for their PILOT program to end which they are 18 years in to, have spoken to them and we will be amending the agreement to become a 5 year abatement, this was presented to their attorneys and in principal, they are fine with it

Ciminera discussed the bill list and resolution to cancel appropriations from 2024; S&P conference last month, our rating was lowered which increases interest rates

ORDINANCE

INTRODUCTION

2025:05 Ordinance of the Borough of Somerdale Amending Chapter 117 Animals of the Code of the Borough of Somerdale

RESOLUTIONS

2025:36 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Payment of Bills

2025:37 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Refund of Escrow to Dynamic Earth for Block 70.01, Lot 13.02

2025:38 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing Application for Program Year 2025 Community Development Block Grant Funding

Badey this is for Odlen Avenue

2025:39 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Tax Cancellation of Future Taxes Due to 100% Totally Disabled Veteran, Block 12, Lot 6

2025:40 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Tax Cancellation of Future Taxes Due to 100% Totally Disable Veteran, Block 137.09, Lot 15

2025:41 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing to Renew Indemnity and Trust Agreement with Southern New Jersey Regional Benefits Fund

Miller this is something we do every three years

2025:42 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Somerdale Fire Department to be Recognized as a Eligible Organization for Training

2025:43 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Appointing Cheyenne Jess as Crossing Guard

2025:44 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Appointing Mariluz Garcia as Crossing Guard

2025:45 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing to Enter into a Safety Management Program with the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

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- 2025:46 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Retroactive Cancellation of Unexpended Balances from 2024 Budget
- 2025:47 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Providing for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

DISCUSSION

- Miller April Council Meeting Date-move to April 10th; February 19th Work Session-move to February 25th at 6 pm
- Kearney the Fire Chief has asked for an attorney for his court date
- 2025:47 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Providing for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12
- Motion – Kane, Second – Sefchick. All reply Aye to Close to the Public.

CLOSED TO
THE PUBLIC 6:48 pm

RE-OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC 6:59 pm

GOOD OF
THE ORDER Mayor and Council had nothing to report at this time

GOOD &
WELFARE Per Resolution 2025:15, those addressing the Governing Body shall be limited to five minutes during Good of the Order

OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC 7:00 pm

No comments or questions from the Public

Motion – Ehrmann, Second – Sefchick. All reply Aye to Close to the Public.

CLOSED TO
THE PUBLIC 7:00 pm

ADJOURN

Badey need a motion to adjourn

Motion – Alexander, Second – Sefchick. All reply Aye to Adjourn at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully,

Michele D. Miller, CMC, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk