

# CAUCUS SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

**CALL TO** 

ORDER Mayor Badey called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

SALUTE THE

FLAG

**SUNSHINE** 

STATEMENT Municipal Clerk read the Sunshine Statement

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 January 8, 2025.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT** 

Mayor George Badey Councilman Dave Alexander Councilman George Ehrmann Councilman Thomas Leakan Councilman Nick Loberto Councilman Larry Sefchick

### **ABSENT**

Councilwoman Barbara Kane

Also Present
Solicitor John Kearney
Superintendent of DPW Dave Schiavo
Police Chief Jim Walsh
Valerie Ciminera, CMFO
Greg Evans, Modutec Engineers
Gary Passanante, Economic Development Consultant
Municipal Clerk Michele Miller, RMC, CMR

### **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

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8/13/2025 Caucus & Council **MINUTES** 

BUSINESS

LICENSE Loyalty Barbershop, 105 S White Horse Pike; Ashley Whitcraft Photography,

LLC, 606 S White Horse Pike Unit B

**HOME BUSINESS** 

LICENSE D & K Outdoor Solutions, 118 Cornell Ave

ORDINANCE

PUBLIC HEARING

2025:14 Ordinance of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing Amending Redevelopment Plan

for Block 23, Lots 1.01, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, and 14

5:122 Re	Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Payment of Bills			
5:123 Re	Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Pre-Payment of Bills			
	Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Appointing David J. Marx as the Coordinator of the Office of Emergency Management			
ley du	ue for re-appointment			
	esolution of the Borough of Somerdale Refunding Tax Overpayment to Thuy guyen, 608 W. Somerdale Road, Somerdale			
13	esolution of the Borough of Somerdale Declaring Block 118, Lots 12, 13, 13.01, 3.02 and 14.01, Block 55, Lots 8, 9, 9.01 and 9.02, Block 63, Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6 reas in Need of Redevelopment			
ley pa	art of our redevelopment plan for Kennedy Boulevard			

2025:127 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing Improvements to Oak Drive from Beverly Drive to Willow Way, Change Order #2 (decrease of \$4,703.10)

2025:128 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Rescinding Resolution 2025:115 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Hiring of Nicholas Wojtkowiak as Part-

Time Fire Inspector

2025:129 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Awarding Cell Tower Bid to FSD Enterprises,

LLC., 29 Vista Drive, Little Silver, NJ 07739

2025:130 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Property

Badey there are items for police, fire and public works departments

2025:131 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Adopting the Personnel Manual and

Employee Handbook

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Miller	we are required to do	this every two years:	; minimal changes	compared to previous
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years

2025:132 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the hiring of Ian Gill as Part-

Time Fire Inspector

2025:133 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing for Special Item of Revenue and

Appropriation for 2025 Municipal Budget

2025:134 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

Badey we are going to do reports now to give everyone a little more time

Evans gave the engineer report

Kearney in court with Mr. Malet on the 19th; cell tower-American Tower submitted a non-

compliant bid, they have to file the rules of the bid, FSD submitted a substantially higher bid-FSD has agreed to 50% sharing for subtenants along with a 3% escalator on the rent; FSD recognizes that they may have to buy the infastructure of the tower or American Tower may take it down and will have to build their own; FSD complies

with the bid request, this is a 5 year with 4 additional 5 year terms

Passanante gave the economic development report which included Cunningham Cleaners-owner's son reached out and asked if potential buyer of Reserve at Grace would be interested in buying their property, interest in Ken Beckstead's new building; Reserve at Grace settlement date is scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup>; #1 School-we are working toward a conclusion with that

Chief Walsh gave an update-Officer Lay will graduate this month, road rage incident here at the borough hall, training has been going on, Chief Brown has made progress in hiring officers in Hi-Nella

Schiavo gave the public works report, training is going on, Hamilton Court-15 gutter-down spouts going in to our sewer system and fixing this will help the Atlantic Avenue pumping station, rear loader will arrive mid-December, other truck will be here mid-January; have had the crack sealer out and that will save a lot of life on the streets; amphitheater is now stained and will get the scissor lift from Sterling to get the inside ceiling; new guys-Michael Carr is doing outstanding, Tanner Sargent is doing amazing and we can now do more things in-house

## DISCUSSION

Miller Shred Event 8 am to 11 am

Badey Constituents event is being advertised for October with services from Camden

County; working on meeting with county regarding homeless problem; thank police department for taking care of the gentleman from Somerdale West for panhandling

Miller Flu Clinic September 23<sup>rd</sup> 10 am to 1 pm here at borough hall and we are advertising

for Karen Wharton's replacement

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Passanante point of information-JIF is under attack from the Office of the State Comptroller and

you all have a copy of the press release from the JIF

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Council had nothing 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 – Alexander, 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 – Ehrmann, Second – Loberto. All reply Aye to Adjourn at 7:01 pm.

Respectfully,

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