

Borough of
SOMERDALE
The Crossroads of South Jersey
COUNCIL AGENDA
JANUARY 7, 2025

PRESENTATION OF
COLORS Sterling Jr. R O T C

SALUTE THE
FLAG

OATHS OF
OFFICE Councilman George Ehrmann was sworn in by former Mayor Gary Passanante

 Councilman Nick Loberto was sworn in by Mayor Badey

CALL TO
ORDER Mayor Badey called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm

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
 Borough Hall on December 17, 2024.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Mayor George Badey
Councilman Dave Alexander
Councilman George Ehrmann
Councilman Ed Kain
Councilwoman Barbara Kane
Councilman Larry Sefchick
Solicitor John Kearney
Valerie Ciminera, CFO
Municipal Clerk Michele Miller, RMC, CMR

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Motion – Alexander nominating Councilman Sefchick, Second – Loberto. All reply
Aye to Approve.

Mayor Badey swore Councilman Sefchick in as Council President

ACCOMMODATION

Badey Chief has two accommodations they would like to give out

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Walsh Patrolman Javon Paige-recognized for Nov. 2024 in Voorhees for assisting apprehending suspect while off duty

Walsh Patrolman Cody Rutter-exceptional duty while off duty to apprehend suspect in Stratford, great job

Badey congratulations and thank you for all that you do, you're never off-duty, thank you

Sefchick went above and beyond the call of duty, those accommodations mean something- your bravery, courage, we are grateful for your professionalism and always looking out for the community

Kane thank you, it's really hard to do what you're doing thank you for your service

ORDINANCE

INTRODUCTION

2025:01 Ordinance of the Borough of Somerdale Setting Salary Ranges of Officers and Employees of the Borough of Somerdale for 2025

Badey will be heard on January 21, 2025 at 6 pm

Motion – Alexander, Second – Kain to introduce. Roll Call Vote: Alexander – yes, Kain – yes, Kane – yes, Ehrmann – yes, Loberto - yes, Sefchick - yes. Motion Carries to Introduce.

2025:02 Ordinance of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing to Enter into a Lease Agreement with Somerdale Reserve 38 Urban Renewal LLC

Badey will be heard on January 21, 2025 at 6 pm

Motion – Alexander, Second – Loberto to introduce. Roll Call Vote: Alexander – yes, Kain – yes, Kane – yes, Ehrmann – yes, Loberto - yes, Sefchick - yes. Motion Carries to Introduce.

2025:03 Ordinance of the Borough of Somerdale Approving Financial Agreements Concerning the Reserve at Grace Redevelopment Agreement

Badey will be heard on January 21, 2025 at 6 pm

Motion – Sefchick, Second – Alexander to introduce. Roll Call Vote: Alexander – yes, Kain – yes, Kane – yes, Ehrmann – yes, Loberto - yes, Sefchick - yes. Motion Carries to Introduce.

2025:04 Ordinance of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing a Deed of Cross Easements at the Reserve at Grace Redevelopment Project

Badey will be heard on January 21, 2025 at 6 pm

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Motion – Sefchick, Second – Ehrmann to introduce. Roll Call Vote: Alexander – yes, Kain – yes, Kane – yes, Ehrmann – yes, Loberto - yes, Sefchick - yes. Motion Carries to Introduce.

RESOLUTIONS

OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC

6:15

No comments or questions from the Public

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

CLOSED TO
THE PUBLIC

6:15 pm

- 2025:01 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale adopting a temporary budget for 2025 in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:A4-19
- 2025:02 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale appointing Officials & Employees for 2025
- 2025:03 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale appointing Council Committees for 2025
- 2025:04 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Adopting a Cash Management Plan
- 2025:05 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Award of Fair and Open Contracts for Professional Services for 2025
- 2025:06 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale setting a 6% penalty for tax delinquencies over \$10,000.00
- 2025:07 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale authorizing the tax assessor to file appeals, omitted and added assessments appeals, and rollback complaints with the Camden County Board of Taxation
- 2025:08 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale authorizing the Municipal Clerk and the Municipal Engineer to accept bids
- 2025:09 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale authorizing the Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer or Municipal Clerk to invest idle funds
- 2025:10 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale authorizing the Tax Collector to conduct an online tax sale
- 2025:11 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale approving the cancellation or crediting of small balances under ten dollars (\$10.00) by the Tax Collector
- 2025:12 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale establishing the rate of interest to be charged for nonpayment of property taxes, sewer rental or assessments pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-67
- 2025:13 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale appointing Fulton Bank as the official depository for the Borough of Somerdale funds

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- 2025:14 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale appointing the Courier Post, The Retrospect, Philadelphia Inquirer and Star Ledger as official newspapers
- 2025:15 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale setting time limit for individuals addressing the Governing Body
- 2025:16 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Appointing Charles Wigginton as Municipal Public Defender for 2025
- 2025:17 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Establishing Meeting Dates for 2025
- 2025:18 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Appointing Andrew Viola as Municipal Prosecutor for 2025
- 2025:19 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- 2025:20 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Establishing Salaries and Other Rates of Compensation for Certain Officials and Employees of the Borough of Somerdale for 2025
- 2025:21 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Execution and Submission of the Application for Local Recreation Improvements Grant, FY2025 for the Baseball Field Improvements at the James Perry Memorial Recreation Complex
- 2025:22 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Approving the Amendment of Declaration of Easements, Restrictions and Covenants
- 2025:23 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Tax Assessor to File, Stipulate, Settle Both Regular and Added/Omitted Tax Appeals, and Roll Back Tax Complaints for the Borough of Somerdale
- 2025:24 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Approving Exit Agreement with Reserve at Grace Urban Renewal LLC
- 2025:25 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Transferring Line-Item Appropriations in the Year 2024 Budget
- 2025:26 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Approving Authorized Tower for 2025
- 2025:27 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Approving the Removal of Deed Restrictions on Block 118, Lots 4.01, 7.01 and 9.01
- Motion – Kane, Second – Loberto to Approve. Roll Call Vote: Alexander – yes, Kane – yes, Ehrmann – yes, Loberto - yes, Perry – yes, Sefchick - yes. Motion Carries to Approve Resolutions 20025:01 thru 2024:27.

GOOD OF
THE ORDER

Ehrman 7th time I've done this, every time is an honor and a privilege; glad to be here and this town works so well, my plan is to keep it that way, thank you all for your confidence in me

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Sefchick thank Mayor and Council in support of allowing me to be council president; look forward to working with the community; would also like to thank all of our volunteers, Somerdale Fire Department, Green Committee, Planning Board, Historical and HRC, ambulance, thank all of our volunteers for their time and energy

Loberto also am honored for privilege to serve town, thank you all for your support

Alexander congratulate Councilman Ehrmann and Loberto, had the privilege to sit up here for many years, the town of Somerdale is one of the most solid towns in this area

Kane thank Councilman Kain for joining us, congratulations to Councilmen Loberto and Ehrmann; thank everyone for coming tonight

Badey thank Public Works, Police Department, Court, anyone that has anything to do with the Borough; Valerie for all of her work with the budget, Fire Marshal is here tonight, John (Kearney) for all you do for us and our engineers, Council-all of you and we have the same vision; Michele (Miller)-she's everything-my work wife here, my secret service, all she does during work and on her off-time, thank you; thanks to Congressman Norcross' office for coming

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 6:25 pm

No comments or questions from the Public

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

CLOSED TO
THE PUBLIC 6:25 pm

ADJOURN

Badey need a motion to adjourn

Motion – Ehrmann, Second – Sefchick. All reply Aye to Adjourn at 6:25 pm

Respectfully,

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