



Borough of
SOMERDALE
The Crossroads of South Jersey

WORK SESSION
JANUARY 24, 2024

CALL TO
ORDER Mayor Badey called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 transmittal to the Courier Post and The Retrospect and posted in Borough Hall on January 8, 2024.

ROLL CALL

Mayor George Badey
Councilman Dave Alexander
Councilman George Ehrmann
Councilwoman Barbara Kane
Councilman James Perry
Council President Larry Sefchick
John Kearney
Valerie Ciminera, CMFO
Municipal Clerk Michele Miller, RMC, CMR

MINUTES Work Session 12/27/2023, Reorganization 1/3/2024
Motion – Alexander, Second – Sefchick. All reply Aye to Approve.

PROCLAMATION

Somerdale Fire Department 100th Anniversary
Motion – Kane, Second – Sefchick. All reply Aye to Approve.

DISCUSSION

Badey Planning Board-we have two new members on the agenda for this evening, Lt. Brian Usher will be taking Chief Walsh's place on the board; newsletter-Mayor Mayer sends a weekly newsletter out and I would like to do that monthly, Sandi Kelly told us that we have close to 200 emails that we could send out

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- Miller the newsletter is losing money; sponsors are paying, we can cut the cost in half by doing the paper copy twice a year, make it smaller
- Kane communication is key
- Badey Police New Hire Grant-budget is very tight, we have to determine if we are going to hire someone; call volume is there but it's our budget

Discussion was had about the budget and current police staff

- Badey Appointment of New Council Member-recommendations from County Committee-three names are Karyn Alexander, Nick Loberto and Cathy Brooks
- Sefchick nominate Nicholas Loberto
- Motion – Sefchick, Second – Ehrmann. All reply Aye to nominate Nicholas Loberto to fill vacant council seat.
- Kane Local Government week is in April, opportunity to highlight departments to community
- Badey planning to do a Meet the Mayor

RESOLUTIONS

OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC

6:45 pm

No comments or questions from the Public

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

CLOSED TO
THE PUBLIC

6:46 pm

- 2024:21 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- 2024:22 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Transferring Line Item Appropriations in the Year 2023 Budget
- 2024:23 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Appointing Thomas Leakan as Class IV Planning/Zoning Board Member
- 2024:24 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Appointing Francis McGowan as Class IV Planning/Zoning Board Member
- 2024:25 Resolution of the Borough of Somerdale Making Appointment to Fill Vacancy on Council

Motion – Kane, Second – Ehrmann to Approve Resolutions 2024:21 thru 2024:25.
Roll Call Vote: Alexander – yes, Ehrmann – yes, Kane – yes, Perry – yes, Sefchick - yes. Motion Carries to Approve.

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2024:26 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 NJ.S.A. 10:4-12

Motion - Kane, Second - Perry. All reply Aye to Close to the Public

CLOSED TO
THE PUBLIC 6:47 pm

OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC 7:16 pm

GOOD OF THE
ORDER

Ciminera would like to meet with council liaisons for the budget regarding the big departments next week

GOOD &
WELFARE

ADJOURN

Badey motion to Adjourn

Motion – Alexander, Second – Perry. All reply Aye to Adjourn at 7:20 pm

Respectfully,

Michele D. Miller, RMC
Municipal Clerk