

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 24, 2020, 7:00 PM**

Mayor Handshy opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Salute to the Flag

Borough Administrator/Clerk read the meeting notice:

**STATE OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

This meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press and published on December 12, 2019; in addition a copy of notice is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

**ROLL CALL:**

	Fennell	Mosley	Murray	Rolzhausen	Ross	Taylor	Handshy
Present	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Absent							

**PROCLAMATION**

# *Proclamation*

*WHEREAS*, hunger and poverty are issues of grave concern in the United States, the State of New Jersey; and

*WHEREAS*, the Borough of South Toms River is committed to taking steps to raise awareness about the need to combat hunger; and

*WHEREAS*, the Borough of South Toms River is committed to working with Fulfill, formerly The FoodBank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties, to educate people about the role and importance of food banks in addressing hunger and to devote more resources and attention to hunger issues; and

*WHEREAS*, more than 215,000 individuals in Monmouth and Ocean Counties now rely on food provided by Fulfill and its partners since the beginning of the pandemic; and

*WHEREAS*, the unemployment level is the highest it has ever been in the history of the State and the poverty level for a family of four is \$25,465 and 9.5% of families live below that level; and

*WHEREAS*, since March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Fulfill has provided 1,986,909 meals including 16,000 **more** meals **per day** than the year before and 1,082,925 of those meals were provided to Ocean County residents; and

*WHEREAS*, due to the pandemic, one (1) in every six (6) people in Monmouth and Ocean Counties received “emergency” food from Fulfill and their network of food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and other community organizations; and

*WHEREAS*, food banks across the country, including Fulfill, will host numerous events throughout the month of September to bring awareness and attention to encourage involvement in efforts to end hunger in their local community.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED*, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Toms River, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey do hereby recognize September, as HUNGER ACTION MONTH in the Borough, and call this observance to the attention of its citizens.



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Gregory Handschy, Mayor

## **PROCLAMATION REMEMBERING STACEY SPOTTS**

**WHEREAS**, Stacey Spotts is a kind and loving friend and neighbor to the families of South Toms River Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, Stacey Spotts actively assisted the South Toms River Office of Emergency Management since 2005, and became a member of said Department on December 20, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of South Toms River is extremely fortunate to have had a dedicated volunteer that was committed to assisting the Borough and its residents during emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, Stacey Spotts was instrumental in assisting Borough residents during emergencies, and lent a helpful hand to the South Toms River community when residents have been most in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Stacey Spotts would assist with Borough functions and events, providing invaluable support to the Borough whether it was the weekly Friday Food Bank during the

COVID-19 pandemic, or assisting with the graduations or birthday parades for all of the children throughout the Borough; in addition to being the Borough's photographer for many events.

**WHEREAS**, Stacey Spotts completed extensive training in order to be able to carry out her role as emergency management volunteer, including such courses as Incident Management Levels 1,2 & 3, Basic Fire Police, and all courses for the Community Emergency Response Team.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEVIN MCCORMACK**, Office of Emergency Management Coordinator, alongside the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Toms River, do hereby recognize, thank and extend our deepest appreciation and sympathy to Stacey Spotts, her friends and family for the loss of a true friend.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Borough of South Toms River to be affixed this 22nd day of August, 2020.

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Kevin McCormack, OEM Coordinator

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chief Krohn of STR EMS updated the Governing Body with the names of several grants the squad previously applied for. They are currently in a fund drive, and will be renewing their raffle license. They have a planned coin toss as well. The 3rd party call volume is down, which translates into less revenue for the squad. Chief Krohn asked if there has been any follow up conversation to introduce a BAN to more capital expenditures for squad radios.

Oscar Cradle, 4 Center St informed the Governing Body that it is time to discuss next year's Borough calendar. He asked for them to start considering the size of the calendar in order to save money; and asked that they reach a decision soon.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Resolution 2020-163 Authorizing Executive Session for the Purposes of Attorney-Client Privilege

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN/NV	ABSENT
		Fennell	x			
		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			
x		Ross	x			
		Taylor	x			

Motion back into Public Session: Ross 2nd: Rolzhausen, and Council consent.

**ORDINANCES**

**ORDINANCE 20-6**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY ADOPTING**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DOVER ROAD REDEVELOPMENT PLAN (Second Reading TABLED)**

Public Hearing

no comments or questions. Public Hearing was carried to the next meeting.

**ORDINANCE 20-7**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 26, SECTION 48 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “SIDEWALKS AND CURBING; PEDESTRIAN SAFETY FUND” (Second Reading)**

Public Hearing

George Rutzler asked what this ordinance was about.

The Borough Administrator stated that this is a dedicated fund setup to ensure sidewalks are installed for new developments.

**Close Public Hearing: 1st: Murray 2nd: Ross, and Council consent.**

**Roll Call for passage**

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN/NV	ABSENT
		Fennell	x			
		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			
x		Ross	x			
		Taylor	x			

**ORDINANCE 20-9**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 26 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS” (First Reading)**

**Roll Call**

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN/NV	ABSENT
	x	Fennell	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
x		Rolzhausen	x			
		Ross	x			
		Taylor	x			

**RESOLUTIONS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The below listed items are considered to be routine by the Borough of South Toms River and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Resolution 2020-165	Accepting the Resignation of Carol Anna Edler with Best Wishes and Regret
Resolution 2020-166	Approving Mathis Pavilion Reservation for October 10th: Mosley (By Title)
Resolution 2020-167	Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Fair Share Housing Center and M&T at STR Affordable Urban Renewal, LLC
Resolution 2020-168	Authorizing the Execution of an Affordable Housing Development Agreement with M&T At STR Affordable Urban Renewal, LLC
Resolution 2020-169	Accepting the Hearing Officer's Decision Dated August 24, 2020 Regarding Employee 02-1456048
Resolution 2020-171	Appointing Katie Lange as Municipal Court Emergent Deputy Court Administrator of the South Toms River Municipal Court

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN/NV	ABSENT
		Fennell	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
	x	Rolzhausen	x			
x		Ross	x			
		Taylor	x			

**BILL LIST**

**Resolution 2020-172**

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN/NV	ABSENT
		Fennell	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
x		Rolzhausen	x			
		Ross	x			
		Taylor	x			

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

STR EMS Chief Krohn, asked if there have been any further conversation about the BAN.

Mayor Handshy stated there hasn't been any further discussion at this point.

Close public comment: 1st: Mosley 2nd: Rolzhausen, and Council consent.

**GOVERNING BODY REPORTS**

**TAYLOR:** no report

**MOSLEY:** no report

**MURRAY:** the food distribution is in out 20th week. Thanks to everyone for helping. I had meetings with the Police to discuss street light repairs.

**ROLZHAUSEN:** Participated in the Backpack Extravaganza, stuffing backpacks for kids. Also attended a well-attended service for Stacey Spotts

**ROSS:** Participated in the Backpack Extravaganza, stuffing backpacks for kids. There have been 120 backpacks distributed so far. The Recreation Commission has started Bingo For Fun, and has been going the past three Sundays in a row.

**FENNELL:** attended a nice service for Stacey Spotts, and have been participating in the food distribution over the past several weeks.

**MAYOR HANDSHY** The Governor conference calls are now bi-weekly. The Borough is still in covid Phase II, with a .85 transmission rate. Kudos to Mr. Croker of JCP&L for assisting the Borough during the power outage. He assisted stuffing backpacks for the Backpack Extravaganza. Congratulations to Charlie Gromek of the Jersey Shore Chapter of the Submarine Veterans, for receiving the prestigious national award, the Silver Anchor.

Councilman Rolzhaused asked the Borough Administrator send notice to residents to enforce curbing maintenance, specifically grass growing on the curbs.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Borough Administrator announced the next date for the next Drive-In-Boat-In Movie: Saturday August 29th Finding Dory

The Borough is evaluating the 2020 NJDOT Transportation Set-Aside Program to determine eligibility.

The Borough Administrator that the 2020 League of Municipalities has moved to all virtual.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Murray, Seconded by Ross, and Council consent.

Respectfully submitted,

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Joseph KostECKI, Administrator

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Gregory Handshy, Mayor