

Mayor Fernandes called the meeting to order and requested those present to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Fernandes read the following statement:

"GOOD EVENING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. THIS MEETING IS NOW CALLED TO ORDER. IN LINE WITH THE BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT'S LONGSTANDING POLICY OF OPEN GOVERNMENT, AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT", I WISH TO ADVISE YOU THAT ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING HAS BEEN ADVERTISED IN THE COURIER ON JANUARY 10, 2008 AND POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE BOROUGH OFFICE. IN EACH INSTANCE, THE DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF THIS MEETING WERE PROVIDED IN THE NOTICE. THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC."

3. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Bills, Long, Keeler, Kelly, Markson, Scriven, Mayor Fernandes, Attorney Arnette, Borough Engineer Hoder, Police Chief Moore, Borough Clerk Smeltzer

ABSENT: Chief Financial Officer Bascom

4. Councilwoman Long introduced and approved for adoption the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 48-2008
AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF
APPROPRIATION OF RESERVES**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59 permits the transfer of 2007 Budget appropriation reserves during the first three months of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has recommended that the following appropriation reserve transfer be authorized:

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Amount From</u>	<u>Amount To</u>
Gasoline	\$ 5,000.00	
Planning Board O/E	\$ 3,000.00	
Tax Collector O/E	\$ 1,000.00	
Tax Assessor O/E	\$ 2,400.00	
Library O/E		\$ 700.00
Street Lighting		\$ 700.00
Telephone		\$2,000.00
Natural Gas		\$8,000.00
TOTAL	\$11,400.00	\$11,400.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the 2007 Budget appropriation reserves be transferred as stated herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and Auditor.

Second by Councilwoman Bills and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

5. Councilman Scriven introduced and approved for adoption the following:

**RESOLUTION NO. 50-2008
Borough of Sea Bright**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright hereby acknowledges the requirement of preliminary costs to determine the scope and cost of a proposed undertaking. The purpose of these preliminary costs are for the development of the Sea Bright Beachfront in accordance with Smart Growth principals and that the amount to be charged is for the purpose for which bonds may be issued under Chapter 2 of Title 40A;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the amount appropriated herein for preliminary costs shall not exceed \$50,000.00 and the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to establish a reserve for preliminary expenses utilizing funds available in the Beach Capital Improvement Fund.

Second by Councilwoman Markson and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

6. Attorney Arnette read by title only and Councilman Keeler introduced an Ordinance entitled:

A.

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2008

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT
TO PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL AND INDEMNIFY OFFICIALS,
EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTEES**

and moved the same be approved upon first Reading, held over for Second Reading and Public Hearing to be held on March 4, 2008.

Second by Councilwoman Long and approved upon the following vote:

AYES: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

7. CONSENT AGENDA: A Certification of Funds supports any items requiring expenditure; any items requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda:

Item A was pulled from the Consent Agenda. Councilwoman Long requested that the Governing Body vote separately on Bill Resolution No. 43-2008.

B. Councilwoman Long made a motion adopting the Council Meeting Minutes of January 15, 2008. Second by Councilman Keeler and approved upon the following vote:

AYES: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

C. Councilwoman Long made a motion adopting the Council Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2008. Second by Councilman Keeler and approved upon the following vote:

AYES: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

D. Councilwoman Long made a motion approving Raffle Application No. 3-2008 from Christian Brother's Academy for 50/50 on premise raffle on September 5, 2008 at Merri-Makers. Second by Councilman Keeler and approved upon the following vote:

AYES: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

E. Councilwoman Long made a motion approving Fire Chief Rock's request for the appointment of Scott Servilla and Tom Forsman as probationary drivers (Driver's abstract complete). Second by Councilman Keeler and approved upon the following vote:

AYES: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

A. Councilman Keeler introduced and approved for adoption the following:

**RESOLUTION NO. 43-2008
PAYMENT OF BILLS 2/19/2008**

WHEREAS, the following listed vouchers have been audited and found to be correct.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that these vouchers totaling \$97,822.76 are to be paid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that proper Officers are hereby authorized to execute and issue warrants for payments of said vouchers, but only if and when conditions of the Borough Treasury shall permit, and the said vouchers be approved by the proper Committees.

00019	NJ AMERICAN WATER			
	08-0171	02/05/08 12/27-1/28/08 HYDRANTS	OPEN	2,002.00
00027	SEABOARD WELDING SUPPLY, INC.			
	08-0095	01/22/08 DPW - 2008 CYLINDER RENTAL	OPEN	11.50
00198	COMCAST			
	08-0201	02/12/08 A&E-INTERNET:FEB 2008	OPEN	95.00
00249	CLARK, DOUGLAS			
	08-0177	02/07/08 DPW-REIMB:WORK BOOTS	OPEN	94.99
	08-0196	02/11/08 DPW-TRAVEL REIMB:02/09/08	OPEN	16.64

				111.63
00275	M & S WASTE SERVICES, INC.			
	08-0068	01/18/08 DUMPSTER+DISP FEE:DRIFTWOOD	OPEN	350.50
	08-0159	02/01/08 JAN 2008 LANDFILL TIPPING FEES	OPEN	6,475.74
	08-0160	02/01/08 01/08 GARBAGE/RECYCLING PICKUP	OPEN	8,325.00

				15,151.24
00300	NJ STATE ASSN CHIEFS OF POLICE			
	08-0087	01/22/08 POLICE DEPT-2008 DUES	OPEN	200.00
00302	SEA BRIGHT GULF STATION			
	08-0031	01/17/08 POLICE-BLANKET:VEHICLE MAINT	OPEN	973.76
	08-0169	02/04/08 FIRE DEPT-BATTERY #4377	OPEN	326.85
	08-0186	02/08/08 FIRE DEPT-OIL CHANGE #4366	OPEN	38.95
	08-0187	02/08/08 FIRE DEPT-SERVICE #4367	OPEN	154.75

				1,494.31
00309	PRECISION LANDSCAPING &			
	07-0222	02/26/07 DPW-2007 BRANCH/LEAF PICKUP	OPEN	325.00

00331	TREASURER, STATE OF NJ				
08-0156	02/01/08 DPW-FY2008 POLLUTANT DISCHARGE	OPEN		1,050.00	
00356	NJAFM				
08-0117	01/25/08 A&E-2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES	OPEN		25.00	
00363	TRICO EQUIPMENT, INC.				
08-0093	01/22/08 DPW-SERVICE CASE LOADER	OPEN		250.45	
00375	MCAA OF NEW JERSEY				
08-0183	02/07/08 COURT-2008 DUES	OPEN		90.00	
00426	LONG, DINA				
08-0195	02/11/08 A&E-REIMB:COPIES	OPEN		230.60	
00580	NJ PUBLIC SAFETY ACC COALITION				
08-0037	01/17/08 POLICE DEPT-2008 DUES	OPEN		300.00	
00608	MONTEFORTE ARCHITECTURAL				
07-1209	08/29/07 EVALUATE MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS	OPEN		4,950.00	
00748	KILMURRAY, NANCY				
08-0184	02/07/08 TRANSCRIPTION-NJ STATE LAWSUIT	OPEN		431.50	
08-0190	02/08/08 TRANSCRIPTION-NJ STATE LAWSUIT	OPEN		316.75	

				748.25	
00788	SCARINCI & HOLLENBECK, LLC				
08-0155	01/31/08 LEGAL-12/3-12/18/07 SERVICES	OPEN		881.30	
00799	MAGLOCLLEN				
08-0149	01/31/08 POLICE DEPT-2008 DUES	OPEN		175.00	
00895	JOHNNY ON THE SPOT, INC.				
08-0185	02/07/08 PORTO-POTS - FEB 2008	OPEN		510.34	
00979	GIBBONS, P.C.				
08-0174	02/05/08 LEGAL SERVICES-BOND SALE	OPEN		6,138.94	
00998	AMERICAN SHORE & BEACH PRESERV				
08-0078	01/22/08 A&E-2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES	OPEN		100.00	
01150	W.W. GRAINGER, INC.				
08-0146	01/31/08 SEWER-HAND WINCH	OPEN		303.28	
01241	BAIN'S HARDWARE, INC.				
08-0173	02/05/08 JAN 2008 PURCHASES	OPEN		558.49	
01285	THE HOME DEPOT				
08-0096	01/22/08 BLDGS/GRNDS-BLANKET:MISC SUPP	OPEN		95.15	
01286	INDUSTRIAL MARINE				
08-0165	02/04/08 REIMB:01/08-01/31 GARAGE ELECT	OPEN		208.22	
01287	CARGILL, INC.				
07-1038	07/26/07 DPW-25 TONS BULK ROCK SALT	OPEN		1,616.25	
01293	COLLINE LOCK & SAFE CO., LLC				
08-0004	01/16/08 ADA COMPLIANCE-RESTROOM HANDLE	OPEN		391.50	
01297	HATCH, MOTT & MACDONALD, LLC				
07-1208	08/29/07 DIIP#2-ENGINEERING	OPEN		2,200.00	
01325	KSi PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS				
08-0157	02/01/08 FIREHOUSE STRUCTURAL SERVICES	OPEN		552.50	
01363	IRON MOUNTAIN, INC.				
08-0179	02/07/08 A&E-VAULT:SERVER BACKUPS	OPEN		120.00	
01393	VERITEXT REPORTING CO.				
08-0119	01/25/08 LEGAL SERV RE:NJ STATE LAWSUIT	OPEN		622.60	
01493	COOPERATIVE INDUSTRIES, L.L.C.				
08-0191	02/08/08 NOV 2007 NATURAL GAS	OPEN		5,929.92	
01526	JCP & L				
08-0204	02/12/08 JAN 2008 ELECTRIC SERVICE	OPEN		8,767.84	
01578	AMERICAN MESSAGING				
08-0158	02/01/08 DPW-FEB 2008 PAGER SERVICE	OPEN		36.92	
01634	GRAMCO BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS				
08-0100	01/22/08 MUNI CLERK-2008 MAINT CONTRACT	OPEN		395.00	
01724	SEASIDE MATERIALS, INC.				
08-0148	01/31/08 BLDGS/GRNDS-(2) BENCH SECTIONS	OPEN		173.28	
01754	EDMUNDS & ASSOCIATES, INC.				
08-0106	01/23/08 2008 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	OPEN		7,205.00	
08-0107	01/23/08 A&E-2008 PERVASIVE MAINT	OPEN		175.00	

				7,380.00	
01759	DELL COMPUTERS, CORP.				
08-0121	01/28/08 A&E-SERVER DATA CARTRIDGES	OPEN		543.96	
01801	MASER CONSULTING, P.A.				
06-0325	03/23/06 PRJ#82 DIIP	OPEN		16,141.25	
07-0607	05/08/07 PRJ#56 POLICE DEPT GENERATOR	OPEN		125.00	
07-0658	05/16/07 PRJ#97 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	OPEN		750.00	
08-0182	02/07/08 ENGINEERING-NJAW NEW CONNECT	OPEN		315.00	

				17,331.25	
01957	BENEMAX BENEFIT MANAGEMENT CO.				
08-0167	02/04/08 02/08 DENTAL PLAN MANAGEMENT	OPEN		324.00	
01974	BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT COURT				
08-0194	02/11/08 COURT-01/08 CREDIT CARD REIMB	OPEN		76.25	
01985	THE MOBILE STORAGE GROUP, INC.				
08-0170	02/05/08 POLICE-TRAILER 2008 PYMT 02/13	OPEN		265.00	
01988	COMPTON, BARBARA				
08-0166	02/04/08 MUNI CLERK-RETURN ELECTION BKS	OPEN		25.00	

02061	VERIZON WIRELESS			
08-0200	02/11/08	BLDG/FIRE/COURT:FEB 2008	CELL	OPEN
				149.48
02071	LAB SAFETY SUPPLY, INC.			
08-0113	01/25/08	SEWER-GLOVES		OPEN
				202.89
02177	WALSH, JOAN			
08-0176	02/07/08	LIBRARY-REIMB:02/05	DVDS+BOOKS	OPEN
				111.93
02181	GATEWAY PRESS			
08-0069	01/18/08	A&E-BUSINESS CARDS:S.MARKSON		OPEN
				38.00
08-0172	02/05/08	TAX COLL-TAX STUBS		OPEN
				35.00

				73.00
02182	A.M./P.M. SERVICES			
08-0180	02/07/08	MUNI CLERK-3/07/08	SEMINAR	OPEN
				184.00
02189	SHARP ELECTRONICS CORPORATION			
08-0038	01/17/08	POLICE-2008 COPY MACHINE LEASE		OPEN
				148.19
02194	THE COURIER			
08-0001	01/16/08	MUNI CLERK-BLANKET:ADS		OPEN
				101.52
08-0161	02/01/08	P/L BOARD-AD:2008	MTG DATES	OPEN
				34.78

				136.30
COMMERCE BANK (MCIA INTEREST PAYMENT)				238.71
LENA, RAYMOND (STREET OPENING ESCROW REFUND)				1,000.00
MCKENNA,DUPONT, HIGGINS & STONE (ESCROW)				150.00
SISBARRO,HENRY (STREET OPENING ESCROW REFUND)				1,000.00
THECOURIER(ESCROW)				12.22
U.S.BANK(MCIA#2INTERESTPAYMENT)				<u>11,659.07</u>
GRAND TOTAL				<u>97,822.76</u>

Second by Councilman Kelly and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Long

ABSENT: None

8. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Resolution No. 38-2008 opposing revisions to the wrongful death statute. This opposition to revising the wrongful death statute was vetoed by Governor Corzine.

B. Councilman Scriven introduced and offered for adoption the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 41-2008

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR A SCHEMATIC DESIGN OF THE NEW BOROUGH BEACH FRONT FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright has a need to acquire Architectural Engineering Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of <N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate>; and,

WHEREAS, Design Ideas Group has submitted a proposal November 5, 2007 indicating they will provide the Schematic Design of the New Borough Beach Front Facilities for the an amount not to exceed \$48,610.00; and

WHEREAS, Design Ideas Group has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Design Ideas Group has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Sea Bright in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the Design Ideas Group from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS

I, Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Sea Bright do hereby certify that funds are available in Beach CIF - Preliminary Expenses appropriation for the purpose stated herein.

MICHAEL J. BASCOM, CFO

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Sea Bright authorizes the Mayor Maria D. Fernandes to enter into a contract with Design Ideas Group as described herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be published in the Courier an official newspaper of the Borough of Sea Bright.

Second by Councilwoman Markson and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Councilwoman Bills introduced and offered for adoption the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 44-2008
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright are in need of Professional Engineering Services for the Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation for the Skate Board Park in accordance with the engineering proposal prepared by David J. Hoder, P.E. of Maser Consulting dated February 4, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright hereby authorize David J. Hoder, P.E. of Maser Consulting to provide the services as outlined in the proposal/letter dated February 4, 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$3,900.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that David J. Hoder, P.E. of Maser Consulting is hereby authorized to perform the above services as stated herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the proposal with Maser Consulting.

I, Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Sea Bright do hereby certify that funds are available in Engineering for the purpose stated in the above resolution.

MICHAEL J. BASCOM, C.F.O.

Second Councilman Scriven and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Councilwoman Long said that the Governing Body unanimously opposes Governor Corzine's toll hike proposal. We made some changes to the original resolution urging the State legislators to work with the Governor not against to solve New Jersey's fiscal problems.

B. Councilwoman Long introduced and offered for adoption the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 45-2008
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT**

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey is in a fiscal crisis, facing a projected 3 billion budget deficit; and,

WHEREAS, New Jersey already has one of the most oppressive tax regimes in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the combination of higher taxes and the increased cost of living is forcing thousand of families to leave New Jersey each year; and,

WHEREAS, Governor Jon S. Corzine has proposed a plan which would require annual cost of living toll increases, in addition to a 50 percent guaranteed toll hike every four years, on the Turnpike, Garden State Parkway, and Atlantic City Expressway; and,

WHEREAS, New Jersey is a state where many residents commute great distances to work each day, and many utilize toll roads for that purpose; and,

WHEREAS, this plan would have a disproportionate impact on Monmouth County which accounts for a significant percentage of those who regularly travel the Parkway and Turnpike; and,

WHEREAS, increasing tolls impacts not only the commuters who use those roads, but commercial trucking which in turn has an impact on the cost of consumer goods in the state; and,

WHEREAS, these toll hikes will almost certainly drive traffic including heavy truck traffic, onto local roads increasing congestion and creating wear and tear that could require costly repairs further driving up our highest-in-the-nation property taxes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we urge Governor Corzine to abandon this toll hike proposal and consider alternative sources of revenue that do not place the financial burden solely on the backs of New Jersey's commuters; and,

We urge the New Jersey State Legislature to work with and not against Governor Corzine to create a plan that fairly and effectively deals with New Jersey's fiscal crisis.

A certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Jon S. Corzine, Senate President Richard J. Cody, Senate Minority Leader Thomas H. Kean, Jr., Assembly Speaker Joseph J. Roberts, Assembly Minority Leader Alex DeCroce, Senator Sean T. Kean, Assemblyman David P. Rible and Assemblywoman Mary Pat Angelini.

Second Councilwoman Markson and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

C. Councilman Keeler introduced and offered for adoption the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 46-2008
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCLUSION OF THE
PUBLIC RELATIONS TRUST AS A REVENUE
AND APPROPRIATION TO BE DEDICATED BY RIDER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright has received and anticipates continued receipt of funds for Public Relations events in the Borough of Sea Bright; and

WHEREAS, regulations provide for the expenditure of such funds for various Public Relations within the Borough of Sea Bright; and

WHEREAS, such charges are accounted for in the General Ledger of the Borough of Sea Bright and remain readily available for inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that such funds collected by the municipality be accounted for specifically and be considered a "Dedication by Rider" to the Budget of the local unit per NJSA40:4-39 for the sole purpose stated above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Local Government Services, and Borough Auditor.

Second by Councilman Scriven and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

D. Councilman Scriven introduced and offered for adoption the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 47-2008
BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright are in need of Professional Legal Services for the State of New Jersey vs. Scott Kelly/Mad Hatter regarding Sea Bright's Noise Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright hereby authorize Gerald J. Massell, Esq. to provide the services as outlined in the statement of services at an hourly rate of \$125.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that Gerald J. Massell, Esq. is hereby authorized to perform the above services as stated herein.

I, Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Sea Bright do hereby certify that funds are available in Legal O/E for the purpose stated in the above resolution.

MICHAEL J. BASCOM, C.F.O.

Second Councilman Keeler and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Markson, Scriven

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

E. Smart Growth Discussion - Mayor Fernandes said that Smart Growth's Workshop Meeting will be Thursday, February 21, 2008 at 7:30 to 9:30 P.M. at the Cecile F. Norton Community Center. She said that she spoke with all members of the Governing Body and they were in agreement that the discussion should be about where the Municipal Facilities will be located in the Municipal and Peninsula House Lot. The Smart Growth Agenda should have blueprint/site plan of the Municipal Facilities on the Municipal Property.

10. MONTHLY REPORTS FOR JANUARY 2008:

- A. Chief of Police
- B. Library Director
- C. Municipal Clerk
- D. Sewerage System Operation & Maintenance Report
- E. Court Administrator
- F. Recreation Administrator
- G. Director of Public Works

11. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Monmouth County Regional Health letter regarding new Health Officer.
- B. Director of Public Works Report December 2007.
- C. Brendan Flynn's letter of resignation from the Library Committee.
- D. Monmouth County Regional health Commission Minutes of December 19, 2007.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Beach/Environment/Cultural Arts: Councilman Scriven reported that the Beach Committee had established priorities for the replacement of the Lifeguard Building, Beach Office, new Boardwalk and Municipal pool facilities. The planned improvements will be made available at the Smart Growth meeting. Water Safety Director Bill Mack has the 2008 Beach season staffing and training underway.

Councilman Scriven said that the Library has plans for indoor and outdoor movies for this coming summer. Library Director Walsh is in need of volunteers for this program and interested parties may contact her. Brendan Flynn, a long time chairperson of the Library Committee has submitted his resignation because he will no longer be a Sea Bright resident. Mr. Flynn will be sorely missed for his boundless energy and devotion to Sea Bright's Library.

Councilman Scriven said that the Environmental Partnership met on February 4, 2008 and viewed a presentation about oyster gardening in the Shrewsbury River. They toured Eatontown looking at examples of proper and improper outdoor lighting. They learned of energy saving methods by reducing the use of glare lighting producing fixtures and light placements.

B. Public Works/Construction Department/Public Relations:

Councilwoman Markson reported that Public Works made repairs to the Police Building's façade. The playground equipment was dismantled and removed. There is a new bench in front of the Church. We send wishes to Public Works employee Charles Yingling hoping for a speedy recovery after his knee surgery.

Councilwoman Markson said that she and Editor Stratton of the Sea Breeze met and the publication will be mailed soon. Sea Bright Day will be September 20 with a September 21 rain date.

C. Public Safety/Insurance/Court:

Councilman Keeler reported that the Police are almost finished with their department's Standard Operating Procedures and it will be distributed to the Council for review. The Public Safety Committee will meet to discuss the hiring and promotion section of the Standard Operating Procedures. The Police received 831 service calls in January.

Councilman Keeler said Attorney Arnette will provide mandatory anti-harassment training for Borough Employees on February 27 and March 5.

D. Finance/Education/Grants:

Councilwoman Long reported that the Finance Committee met with CFO Bascom regarding the Municipal Budget and reviewed all Departments' budget requests. We only need to cut our budget by \$35,000. We would make small cuts across the board and continue to make further budget reductions. This year we terminated our Peninsula house lot bond payments. Our revenues and tax collections were good. We cancelled old reserves and generated surplus. The Sewer Utility had a shortfall. The Mayor asked the Finance Committee to look at the Sewer Utility regarding calculation. We have a September deadline to complete this study and make our recommendations. There will not be a sewer rate increase this year.

Councilwoman Long said the School Formula Advisory Committee met and we now have new people looking at the issues that Sea Bright has faced for many years. We will be looking at the original agreement between Shore Regional and Sea Bright. We meet twice a month.

Councilwoman Long said that the Smart Growth meeting will be discussing a site plan and we will soon be surveying. Grant applications require a site plan and a survey.

E. Personnel/Administration/Recreation:

Councilwoman Bills reported that the 2008 Municipal Directory went to print and should be available soon. Sea Bright's website has also been updated. Borough Clerk Smeltzer will be attending Rutgers' Government Studies Master Municipal Clerk Academy in March. We are very proud of our Clerk for continuing her education and providing us with her expertise. She is a great help to everyone in the Council.

Councilwoman Bills said that the annual Easter Egg hunt is scheduled on March 22 and will include a Easter Bonnet contest and an Easter Parade. The Recreation Department will hold monthly craft projects for children ages 5-8, Saturdays from 10:00 am to noon. The next craft project is scheduled for March 8 with a St. Patrick's Day theme. We are happy that the playground was dismantled and carted away because it posed a danger.

Councilwoman Bills said that the Sea Bright Business Alliance was created to make a difference in the community. Scott Kelly

of the Madhatter and Brian George of Northshore are the two co-presidents. Joan Osgoodby who works on the Sea Breeze is the Vice-President. Eleanor Barr who works at Valley National Bank is the Treasurer. Barbara Turback is the Secretary. Jack Kearns of The Link has an upcoming article about the Sea Bright Business Alliance. Meetings will be held on the second Thursday each month at the Library at 7PM. The long term goal is to bring events to the town and cooperative marketing. The Sea Bright Business Alliance is looking forward to holding a Taste of Sea Bright on May 17th and May 18th rain date.

F. Smart Growth/Flood Mitigation/Beautification: Councilman Kelly reported that the Smart Growth Committee met regarding the February 21, public meeting. Every quarter there will be a public Smart Growth meeting. We are looking to get residential, business and Borough employee participation.

Engineer reviews are completed for Sea Bright's Municipal Facilities and having the reviews will benefit our decision making process. We will be meeting with Engineer Hoder about flood maps.

13. MAYOR FERNANDES - REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS. Mayor Fernandes said that at the March 4th Council Meeting we invited Gene Mangia of the Planning Board who recently retired and Brendan Flynn of the Library who resigned to receive Certificates of Appreciation.

The Department of Transportation sent us a notice that the Highland Bridge Construction will begin no earlier than February 22, 2008 and there will be nightly lane closures from 9PM until 6AM. The lane shifts at exit ramps to Sandy Hook for temporary intersection construction. Two lanes of traffic on the bridge will remain open while work is being performed.

Comcast Newsmakers contacted me to do two TV interviews and the topic was the Regionalization of schools to be aired 2/20-2/26. The second topic I chose was Beachfront enhancement to be shown 3/12-3/18. They will air randomly, three times a day for the week at 54 minutes past the hour on CNN Headline News Comcast Channel 30.

She told the Sea Bright Alliance that Comcast would be calling her to return in April and she would be more than happy to promote the Taste of Sea Bright or other topics for Sea Bright.

Let's all wish Councilwoman Bills a belated happy birthday of Feb. 17.

Mayor Fernandes said that they received a police report that the Department of Transportation observed that sump pumps were being used by people taking water from their basements and releasing it onto Ocean Avenue. This needs to be stopped because the water would freeze on the highway. The Department of Transportation would be handing out fines to anyone who makes this infraction.

14. REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE: No one wished to be heard.

15. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Governing Body. Councilwoman Bills made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 P.M. Second by Councilwoman Long and approved upon unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryann M. Smeltzer
Municipal Clerk