

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOROUGH OF SHIP BOTTOM
APRIL 30, 2025
9:00 AM**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Huelsenbeck called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

2. FLAG SALUTE AND PRAYER

Mayor Huelsenbeck led the flag salute and The Clerk read the prayer.

3. STATEMENT OF NOTICE

The Clerk read the Statement of Notice.

4. ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

COUNCILMAN HARTMAN

COUNCILMAN TALLON

COUNCILMAN VALYO

COUNCILMAN ENGLISH

COUNCILMAN BUTKUS

Councilwoman Basile was absent

Also present:

Kathleen Flanagan, CFO/Borough Administrator

Kristy Correnti, Borough Clerk

5. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2025-85 Awarding a Bid for Beach Patrol and DPW Uniforms

**RESOLUTION 2025-85
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SHIP BOTTOM, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A BID FOR THE 2025 BEACH PATROL AND DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS UNIFORMS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ship Bottom duly advertised for the receipt for bids for the 2025 Beach Patrol and Department of Public Works Uniforms; and

WHEREAS, in response to the invitation to bidders, two (2) bids were received from Shore Promotions, and Resue Threads on April 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the bids were reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer and it has been determined that Shore Promotions, and Resue Threads have submitted the lowest possible bids in accordance with the bid specifications, based on the lowest total bid amount or amount per item or items; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the governing body to award a contract for the 2025 Beach Patrol and Department of Public Works Uniforms to Shore Promotions, and Resue Threads; and

WHEREAS, the funds which are available for this contract are found in the following line-item appropriations or ordinances: Beach Operations, LIT Trust, Streets and Road Maintenance, Public Building and Grounds, Equipment Maintenance Repair, and Beach Front Maintenance

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Ship Bottom, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That a certified copy of this resolution, together with a copy of the contract between the parties, be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer.

Motion: Councilman English

Second: Councilman Valyo

Dated: April 30, 2025

Roll Call: Hartman, Tallon, Valyo, English, Butkus all aye. Basile absent.

CERTIFICAITON

I, Kristy Correnti, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Ship Bottom, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough council of the Borough of Ship Bottom this 30th day of April, 2025

Kristy Correnti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of Ship Bottom

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2. 2025-86 Opposition to NJPACT/REAL Act

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-86
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SHIP BOTTOM, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, OPPOSING NEW JERSEY PROTECTING
AGAINST CLIMATE THREATS/RESILIENT ENVIRONMENTS
AND LANDSCAPE RULES (NJPACT)**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ship Bottom opposes the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's (NJDEP) 1,057-page NJPACT rules due to their significant adverse impacts, the Borough of Ship Bottom sets forth the following objections:

A. NJPACT'S CREATION, IMPACT, AND CONSEQUENCES

1. NJPACT, stemming from Governor Murphy's Executive Order 100, imposes excessive building regulations, including raising homes and roads 5 feet above base flood elevation, far exceeding federal and local standards, effective around August 2026.
2. NJPACT rules will devastate coastal economies, reducing property values, tourism, and housing affordability, impacting the entire state's economic vitality and exacerbating housing shortages.
3. NJPACT relies on a sea level rise study with only 17% likelihood 75 years from now
4. Homes along the Jersey Shore, typically replaced every 25-30 years, would be overbuilt under NJPACT, imposing unnecessary costs when risks could be reassessed in 2050 or 2075.
5. NJPACT's costs make compliance unaffordable for current and future homeowners, forcing middle-class retreat and favoring the ultra-wealthy.
6. NJPACT aligns with National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) minimum standards but offers no premium discounts for exceeding them, creating financial burdens without benefits.
7. Without funding, NJPACT's enforcement strains municipalities, risking economic disaster for tourism-dependent seasonal economies.
8. Unfunded mandates may lead to inconsistent regional protection, disproportionately harming smaller communities.

B. REALITIES AND PRUDENT COURSE

9. With an 83% probability that NJPACT's mandates will be unnecessary in 76 years, a more gradual, legislatively supported approach is warranted.
10. Coastal communities contribute \$16 billion annually to New Jersey's economy, and beach replenishment is not a burden but a driver of tourism and jobs.
11. Borough of Ship Bottom proactively addresses climate risks through resilient action plans [or similar], meeting stringent FEMA standards and designing infrastructure for 500-year floods.
12. NJPACT's extreme approach, based on unlikely scenarios, defies science and burdens residents and municipalities unnecessarily.
13. The Borough of Ship Bottom supports reasonable climate policies but requests NJPACT's withdrawal or amendment to a fact-based, gradual approach.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ship Bottom vigorously opposes NJPACT due to its threat to public health, welfare, and economic stability.

Motion: Councilman Tallon

Second: Councilman Hartman

Dated: April 30, 2025

Roll Call: Hartman, Tallon, Valyo, English, Butkus, all aye.

CERTIFICATION

I, Kristy Correnti, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Ship Bottom, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body at a regular meeting held on April 30, 2025.

Kristy Correnti, RMC
Municipal Clerk

3. 2025-87 Appointing a Master Carpenter within Pubic Works

**RESOLUTION 2025-87
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SHIP BOTTOM,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A MASTER CARPENTER WITHIN PUBLIC WORKS**

WHEREAS, the Borough Mayor and Council acknowledge the need for a Master Carpenter within Public Works,
and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council to appoint Justin Crisp to the position of Master Carpenter, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ship Bottom that Mr. Justin Crisp be and is hereby appointed, effective April 30, 2025.

Motion: Councilman English

Second: Councilman Valyo

Dated: April 30, 2025

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Roll Call: Hartman, Tallon, English, Valyo, Butkus, all aye.

CERTIFICATION

I, Kristy Correnti, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Ship Bottom, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Ship Haven at a public meeting held on the 30th day of April, 2025, a quorum being present and voting in the majority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 20th day of April, 2025.

Kristy Correnti, RMC
Municipal Clerk

4. Request from MTV to film within the Borough

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the request from MTV.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Huelsenbeck noted that no one from the public was in attendance at the meeting.

6. **ADJOURN THE MEETING**

With a motion by Councilman English, seconded by Councilman Tallon and an all in favor vote, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:15 am.


Kristy Correnti

Kristy Correnti
Municipal Clerk

William Huelsenbeck

WILLIAM HUELSENBECK
Mayor

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