

**REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE MAY, NJ
Tuesday, July 19, 2016, 7:00 P.M.**

Present: Councilmember Roger M. Furlin
Mayor Edward J. Mahaney, Jr.
Councilmember Shaine P. Meier
Deputy Mayor Beatrice Gauvry Pessagno
Councilmember Terri L. Swain

Also Present: City Attorney Anthony Monzo
City Manager Bruce MacLeod
City Clerk Louise Cummiskey
Deputy City Clerk Patricia Harbora

Mayor Mahaney announced that under the Open Public Meetings Law, notice of this meeting was sent to the Cape May County Herald and The Press and a copy of the agenda was delivered to each Member of Council and was posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board.

Minutes do not reflect the actual order in which the events occurred.

AGENDA ADDITION/DELETION OF LATE AGENDA ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ACTION:

PROCLAMATIONS

National Night Out, Tuesday, August 2, 2016, 5:00 P.M., Convention Hall
Coast Guard Anniversary, Thursday, August 4, 2016

REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

308-2016 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 199 of the Cape May City Code Regarding Construction Permit Fees

Motion: Pessagno
Second: Furlin
Roll Call:
Furlin Yes
Meier Yes
Pessagno Yes
Swain Yes
Mahaney Yes

Mayor Mahaney announces that the second reading and adoption of Ordinance 308-2016 will occur at the Council Meeting of August 16, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 166-07-2016 Resolution Authorizing Utility Bill Adjustment Due to Catastrophic Occurrence
- 167-07-2016 Resolution Authorizing Utility Bill Adjustment Due to Catastrophic Occurrence
- 168-07-2016 Resolution Fixing Date of Delinquency for Taxes due for the Third Quarter 2016
- 169-07-2016 Resolution Certifying the 2015 City of Cape May Annual Audit **AMENDED**
- 170-07-2016 Resolution Authorizing Establishment of a Program for Public Information (PPI)/Floodplain Committee in Conjunction with the City of Cape May's Participation in the Flood Program Community Rating System
- 171-07-2016 Resolution Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the Budget Pursuant to Chapter 159 PL 1948
- 172-07-2016 Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Van Duyne Lifeguard Boat to the Borough of Cape May Point
- 173-07-2016 Resolution Approving Professional Services Agreement between Remington, Vernick & Walberg Engineers and the City of Cape May
- 174-07-2016 Payment of Bills "A"
- 174-07-2016 Payment of Bills "B" **REMOVED FROM CONSENT**
- 175-07-2016 Resolution Approving Agreement between the City of Cape May and the Fund for Cape May

Motion: Meier
Second: Mahaney
Roll Call:
Furlin Yes
Meier Yes
Pessagno Yes
Swain Yes
Mahaney Yes

- 174-07-2016 Payment of Bills "B"

Motion: Mahaney
Second: Pessagno
Roll Call:
Furlin Yes
Meier Yes
Pessagno Yes
Swain Abstain
Mahaney Yes

MINUTES:

City of Cape May Closed Session Meeting Minutes dated July 5, 2016

Motion: Furlin
Second: Pessagno

Roll Call:

Furlin Yes
Meier Yes
Pessagno Yes
Swain Yes
Mahaney Yes

REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE CLERK:

City of Cape May Report of Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes dated July 12, 2016
City of Cape May Overtime Report for the month of June 2016
Cape May City Fire Department Service and EMS Incident Report for the month of June, 2016
City of Cape May Monthly Report of Tax Collections for the period June 30, 2016

Motion: Furlin
Second: Pessagno
Roll Call:
Furlin Yes
Meier Yes
Pessagno Yes
Swain Yes
Mahaney Yes

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) City Attorney
- B) City Manager - Mr. MacLeod announces that the beach safety brochure can be found on the City website and two e-mail blasts on beach safety were sent out before the 4th of July weekend. Mr. MacLeod reports that work is currently being done on the production of beach safety videos. Mr. MacLeod announces that the July Beach Safety Meeting was canceled because the DEP and Army Corps have not yet provided names and dates of availability of their representatives to attend a Beach Safety Meeting. Mr. MacLeod reports on the Outdoor Seating Committee meeting which was held on July 12, 2016. Mr. MacLeod reports on bids that the City received on the sale of bond anticipation notes. Mr. MacLeod reports that the Occupancy Tax received for the first six months of 2016, as compared to the same time period in 2015, shows an increase of \$37,761.41. Also, Mr. MacLeod reports on beach tag sales and parking meter revenue through June 30, 2016 which has decreased from same time period in 2015, most likely due to weather. Finally, Mr. MacLeod announces that the next Summer Concert Event will take place on Monday, July 25, 2016 at Convention Hall featuring "The Hit Men" and the 7th Annual Cape May Beach Volleyball Tournament will take place on Saturday, July 23, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.
- C) City Clerk
- D) Councilmembers - Councilmember Meier talks about the Cape May Beach Patrol 34th Superathalon Event and congratulates the winner, Cape May City Lifeguard Rob Moran.

Deputy Mayor Pessagno thanks City residents for their contributions to City projects this year. Ms. Pessagno comments that City Council is always working together for the best interest of the residents.

Councilmember Furlin talks about the 2015 City audit report with no findings against the City. Mr. Furlin compliments the Finance Department for their diligence in guiding the City in all financial matters. Mr. Furlin talks about the age of the Cape May community and asks for Council's support in initiating a task force to survey residents to make sure the City is providing services and programs to fit the needs of all.

Mayor Mahaney talks about the audit report and the bond anticipation note sale and thanks the City's Financial personnel for an excellent job. Mayor Mahaney announces that the "Lancaster International Piano Festival for College Students" will be held on July 20, 2016 from 12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. at Convention Hall. Mayor Mahaney thanks Dr. Lawrence Paolini for his participation at the "Check Your Cover Skin Screening" held last Saturday at Convention Hall. Mayor Mahaney reports that there will be a soft opening of Rotary Park on Friday, July 22, 2016. The "Cape Harmonaires" will be perform at the Park on Friday, "The Quietmen" will perform on Saturday, July 23, 2016 and the "Congress Street Brass Band" will perform on Sunday, July 24, 2016. All three concerts will begin at 7:00 P.M. Finally, Mayor Mahaney reports that progress at the Lafayette Street Park is moving forward and Phase I will be completed before School opens in September.

Mayor Mahaney thanks the Fund for Cape May for raising an extra \$500,000.00 to be used for amenities at the Rotary Park.

PUBLIC PORTION: Those wishing to publicly comment shall come forward, give their name and address and speak into the microphone. Each speaker will be limited to five (5) minutes.

Richard Holland, 8 Broadway, Cape May, talks about an Ordinance to ban smoking on the beaches and parks in the City of Cape May. Mr. Holland asks Council to consider a smoke free community.

Mayor Mahaney talks about previous efforts to ban smoking in the City.

Laura DeCamillo, 1315B Virginia Avenue, Cape May thanks Council for working with the DeSatnick family on beach safety. Ms. DeCamillo would like to see Council resolve the Police Department matters. Finally, Ms. DeCamillo asks Council to repair the air conditioning at the Franklin Street School.

Mr. MacLeod responds that the City is collecting prices to replace or repair the air conditioning at the Franklin Street School.

Dennis DeSatnick, 1307 Trenton Avenue, Cape May talks about the Beach Safety Committee Meetings and about the cancellation of the meeting in July. Mr. DeSatnick wants the City to take action on this issue.

Mr. MacLeod advises that the July Beach Safety Meeting was moved to August because the City is awaiting confirmation from the State DEP and the Army Corps of Engineers as to their ability to attend a meeting.

Bob Boyd, 1009 Washington Street, Cape May, questions the City Manager on the three vacant positions in the PD and asks when the positions will be filled.

Mr. MacLeod explains the process to Mr. Boyd.

Patricia Hendricks, 106 Trenton Avenue, Cape May, talks about the manpower in the Police Department and questions the cost of overtime paid by the City, due to said vacancies.

Mr. Macleod advises that there is always overtime in the Police Department and he will have numbers to report at the next Worksession Meeting.

Ms. Hendricks asks Council to insert an additional topic on beach safety in the next newsletter. Finally, Ms. Hendricks suggests using the Convention Center for recreation until the air conditioning is operating at the Franklin Street School.

Mayor Mahaney responds to Ms. Hendricks' suggestions.

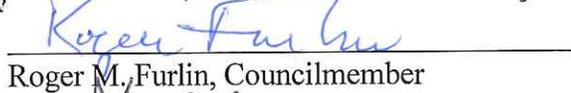
Beth Acker, 637 Hughes Street, Cape May feels that recreational activities in Cape May are important to the Senior Citizens and asks that the air conditioning be repaired as soon as possible. Ms. Acker thanks City Council for all the hours and hard work they contribute to make the City of Cape May a better community.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mayor Mahaney seconded by Deputy Mayor Pessagno to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

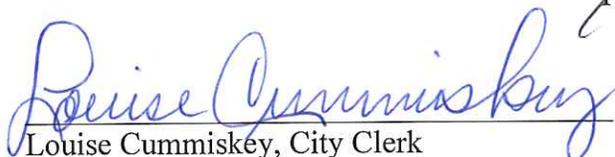

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