

**REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE MAY, NJ
Tuesday, June 19, 2012, 7:00pm**

The regular meeting of City Council of the City of Cape May was called to order by Mayor Mahaney at 7:00 P.M. Tuesday, June 19, 2012 in the Cape May City Hall Auditorium. The Clerk called the roll and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present	Mayor Edward J. Mahaney, Jr. Councilmember William H. Murray Councilmember Terri L. Swain Deputy Mayor Jack Wichterman
Also Present:	City Attorney Anthony Monzo City Manager Bruce MacLeod City Clerk Louise Cummiskey Deputy Clerk Patricia Harbora
Absent:	Councilmember Deanna Fiocca

Mayor Mahaney announced that under the Open Public Meetings Law, notice of this meeting was sent to the Cape May Star and Wave 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.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

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

ADD - Resolution 158-06-2012 Closed Meeting Resolution

Motion:	Mahaney
Second:	Wichterman
Roll Call:	
Fiocca	Absent
Murray	yes
Swain	yes
Wichterman	yes
Mahaney	yes

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION:

253-2012 Ordinance of the City of Cape May Approving Deed Notice for Block 1061, Lot 139, Cape May, New Jersey (830 Canning House Lane)

Motion: Murray
Second: Wichterman
Roll Call:
Fiocca Absent
Murray yes
Swain yes
Wichterman yes
Mahaney yes

Deputy Mayor, Wichterman offers an explanation of the following Resolutions by Consent.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 148-06-2012 – Resolution Approving Agreement with COAH
- 149-06-2012 – Resolution Approving New Collective Bargaining Agreement with Local 59 Police Benevolent Association Representing City of Cape May Police Officers
- 150-06-2012 – Resolution of the City of Cape May Appointing Bruce A. MacLeod as the City Manager
- 151-06-2012 – Resolution Approving Liquor License Renewal for the 2012-2013 License Year
- 152-06-2012 – Resolution Mandating the Use of the National Incident Management System
- 153-06-2012 – Release of Maintenance Bond
- 154-06-2012 – Resolution of the City of Cape May Approving Police Chief Contract
- 155-06-2012 – Resolution Appointing Member to Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Cape May
- 156-06-2012 – Payment of Bills A
- 156-06-2012 – Payment of Bills B
- 157-06-2012 - Resolution of the City of Cape May extend Terms and Confirming Appointments for Boards and Commissions

John Gamble, State delegate for the PBA, Local 59, and representative for the City of Cape May Police Officers, thanked the Mayor and Council, City Manager, Bruce MacLeod, and City Solicitor, Anthony Monzo, for their hard work during the contact negotiations.

Motion: Wichterman
Second: Murray
Roll Call:
Fiocca Absent
Murray yes
Swain yes
Wichterman yes
Mahaney yes

Resolution 156-06-2012 - Payment of Bills B

Motion: Wichterman
Second: Murray
Roll Call:
Fiocca Absent
Murray yes
Swain Abstain
Wichterman yes
Mahaney yes

MINUTES

REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE CLERK:

City of Cape May Fire Department Monthly Report of May, 2012
Construction Permit Activity Report for the period 5/1/2012 to 5/31/2012
Assessor's Office Monthly Report dated June 7, 2012
Monthly Report of Tax Collections for 2/29/2012, 3/31/2012 and 4/30/2012
Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes dated May 10, 2012
Cape May Police Department monthly reports for May and June 2012

Motion: Wichterman
Second: Murray

Roll Call:
Fiocca Absent
Murray yes
Swain yes
Wichterman yes
Mahaney yes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) City Attorney, Anthony Monzo, thanked the Mayor, Council and City Manager for their support and patience in negotiating the PBA Contract. Mr. Monzo then offers a very informative explanation regarding the history of the Sewell Point Tract.
- B) City Manager, Bruce MacLeod, would like to invite Craig Hurless, Zoning Board Engineer, to the next Council meeting on July 3, 2012 to review the proposed Ordinance amendment to the R1 Zone along Cape May Avenue. Mr. MacLeod then discusses the collection of stone along certain beaches in the City of Cape May and advises that the project will soon come to a conclusion.

C) City Clerk

D) Councilmember – Deputy Mayor Wichterman congratulates the City Manager and the Police Chief on their new Contracts.

Councilmember Murray asks Mr. MacLeod if he would contact the County Engineer, Dale Foster, to revisit the crossing signs on Pittsburgh Avenue. Mr. Murray feels that the signs are too far apart and is concerned for the safety of pedestrians.

Mayor Mahaney thanks the City's Police Chief and her Department for the fine job they do in the City of Cape May. The Mayor congratulates the City Manager, Bruce MacLeod, on his contract extension and the leadership he provides to the City of Cape May. Finally, the Mayor reminds us of the Concerts and free entertainment that will be held at Convention Hall this summer.

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.

Tim Walsh, 1022 New York Avenue, Cape May, NJ inquires as to the legality of the storage boxes on the beach at the Montreal Hotel. Mr. MacLeod advises that the boxes are part of the Beach Concession Agreement with the City and he will research to see if they are compliant.

John Cook, 223 Congress Place, Cape May, NJ thanks the members of Council and the City of Cape May Public Works Department for their hard work during the recent Harbor Fest. This year was a great success, advises Mr. Cook.

Shane Meier, 1217 Vermont Avenue, Cape May, NJ would like to express his gratitude to Mr. Wichterman for his work on the School Funding issue. Mr. Meier asks about the increase in lot coverage on Cape May Avenue, and asks if passage of this Ordinance will violate the Master Plan by promoting the McMansion. Mr. MacLeod advises that Mr. Meier should attend the next Council meeting as Mr. Hurless will explain the impact of the amendment to the Ordinance.

George Costich, 608 Washington Street, Cape May, NJ asks Mayor and Council to preserve the open space in the City of Cape May because vacant land is more valuable than land with buildings on it. Mr. Costich would like to see more advertisement for the Convention Center.

COUNCIL & CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Motion made by Mayor Mahaney, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wichterman to go into Closed Session. The regular meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

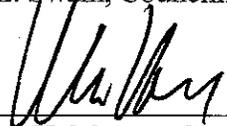

Edward J. Mahaney, Jr., Mayor

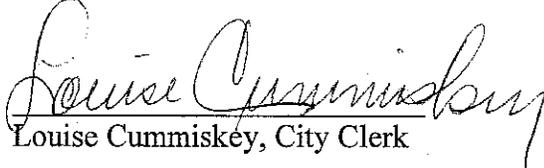

Jack Wichterman, Deputy Mayor

ABSENT

Deanna Fiocca, Councilmember


Terri L. Swan, Councilmember


William H. Murray, Councilmember


Louise Cumiskey, City Clerk

