

**WORKSESSION/REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE MAY, NJ
Monday, November 3, 2014 1:00 P.M.**

The worksession/regular meeting of City Council of the City of Cape May was called to order by Mayor Mahaney at 1:00 P.M. Monday, November 3, 2014 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, Esquire
Councilmember Terri L. Swain
Deputy Mayor Jack Wichterman

Also Present: City Manager Bruce MacLeod
City Attorney Anthony Monzo
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 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.

AGENDA ADDITION/DELETION OF LATE AGENDA ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ACTION: - None

Jonathan J. Brown, the City of Cape May's newest firefighter, is sworn in by the City Clerk. City Manager, Bruce MacLeod, advises that after an extensive interview process, Mr. Brown was the successful candidate. Firefighter Brown has been in Public Safety since 2001 and is warmly welcomed by the City.

ENGINEER REPORT

City Engineer, Ray Roberts, presents his report as follows:

USDA Water Tank and Standpipe Expanded Improvements – A bid was awarded on October 21, 2014 for the Site improvement around the Madison Avenue tank. The projected construction completion date is December 16, 2014. The bid for the rehabilitation of the lime silo is being awarded today with a projected construction completion date of February 27, 2015. The bid for emergency generators #5 and #7 is being awarded today and the project is expected to be completed by May 8, 2015.

FY2014 Road and Utility Improvement Program – Hughes Street (Decatur Street to Ocean Street) will be advertised for bids on November 19, 2014 with a construction start date in January 2015.

Harbor Lane Bulkhead – The Bulkhead has been installed, and the decking and railings are complete.

FY2015 NJDCA Small Cities Application – An application to improve East Lyle Lane (Jackson to Decatur Street) has been submitted and is being reviewed by the DCA.

FY2013 NJDCA Small Cities Plan – The City received permission from the DCA to use surplus grant funds for ADA beach material, which includes new beach wheel chairs, ground protection beach mats and beach access mats.

FY2013 Road and Utility Program and FY2012 NJDOT Municipal Aid - RV&W is assisting CFO, Neil Young, with the submission of the initial and final payment voucher to NJDOT so the project may be closed out.

Deputy Mayor Wichterman asks Mr. Roberts about the life expectancy of the Harbor Lane Bulkhead and Mr. Roberts advises that there is a life expectancy of at least seventy-five years.

Mayor Mahaney asks Mr. Roberts to look into repairing the curbing on Perry Street.

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

Mr. MacLeod announces that the 4th quarter real estate taxes are due today. Mr. MacLeod reports that the water flushing program will be completed by November 5, 2014.

A Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at the “All War Monument” on Columbia Avenue and Gurney Street on November 11, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. and Mr. MacLeod invites all to attend. On November 15, 2014 at 8:00 P.M., the “Broadway and Beyond.” concert will be held at Convention Hall.

CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Hall Closed November 4, 2014 – Election Day

Next Council Meeting Monday, November 17, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

Blood Drive – Monday, November 24, 2014 from 10 A.M. until 3 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

239-10-2014A – Resolution Amending Awarded Bid for Rollout Modular Wooden Walkways

244-11-2014 – Resolution Approving Release of Maintenance Bond for 421 Washington Street (Mall) Block 1044, Lots 5 and 6, City Centre, Inc.

245-11-2014 – Resolution Approving UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement for Upper Management Employees

246-11-2014 – Resolution Approving Release of Maintenance Bond for 30 Gurney Street, Block 1056, Lots 4 and 5, John Wesley Inn – Lance and Bonnie Pontin

247-11-2014 – Resolution Approving Release of Maintenance Bond for 1534 Yacht Avenue, Block 1160, Lots 27 and 27.01, Victorian Harbor Condominium Association

- 248-11-2014 – Resolution of the City of Cape May to Approve Member of Cape May Volunteer Fire Company
- 249-11-2014 – Resolution Awarding Contract for New 2014 Utility Service Van and Body
- 250-11-2014 - Resolution Approving Release of Performance Guarantee, 1217 New Jersey Avenue, Block 1131, Lots 25,26,27,28 Lawrence A. Pray Builders, Inc.
- 251-11-2014 – Resolution of the City of Cape May Authorizing Change Order No. 3 – Final for 2012 Utility and Road Program Phase 1
- 252-11-2014 – Resolution of Support from Local Government Body Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey Grant Application
- 253-11-2014 – Payment of Bills
- 254-11-2014 – Resolution Approving Release of Maintenance Guarantee for Cape Park Condominiums
- 255-10-2014 – Resolution Providing for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12-Contract Negotiations and Labor and Personnel
- 256-11-2014 – Resolution Approving Concert Agreements for the 2015 Concert Series
- 257-11-2014 – Resolution Awarding Bid for USDA Site Improvements – Rehabilitation of Lime Silo
- 258-11-2014 – Resolution Awarding Bid for USDA Site Improvements – Emergency Generator Wells #5 and #7

Motion: Mahaney
 Second: Wichterman
 Roll Call:
 Murray Yes
 Swain Yes
 Wichterman Yes
 Mahaney Yes

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Cummiskey reads a thank you letter from the United Methodist Women

REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE CLERK:

- City of Cape May Monthly Report of Tax Collections for the period 5/31/2014
- City of Cape May Monthly Report of Tax Collections for the period 6/30/2014
- City of Cape May 2% Occupancy Tax Budget Projection dated 10/17/2014
- City of Cape May Police Department Monthly Report for the month of September, 2014

Motion: Wichterman
 Second: Murray
 Roll Call:
 Murray Yes
 Swain Yes
 Wichterman Yes
 Mahaney Yes

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) City Attorney
- B) City Manager
- C) City Clerk
- D) Councilmembers – Deputy Mayor Wichterman advises that correspondence has been mailed to all Cape May registered voters regarding the question on the General Election ballot. Also, the Taxpayers Association will be conducting a round table discussion at Convention Hall on November 21, 2014 regarding the school funding formula change. Mr. Wichterman hopes to see many residents there.

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.

Julius Rauch, 1010 New York Avenue, Cape May distributed a copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Borough of Avalon regarding property rentals and mercantile licenses. Mr. Rauch feels the City of Cape May should consider making some changes to their policy on property rentals. Mr. Rauch also talks about a property protection system which has been implemented in the State of Delaware to protect the shoreline and asks Council to consider this system along Delaware Avenue to protect the Cape May shorelines.

Mayor Mahaney will forward the information that Mr. Rauch presented to Council to the County of Cape May, the State of New Jersey and to the Army Corp. of Engineers.

Councilmember Murray speaks about the Ordinance adopted by the Borough of Avalon regarding house rentals and mercantile licenses. Mr. Murray realizes the importance of safety in rental properties.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Wichterman, seconded by Mayor Mahaney, to go into Closed Session at 1:40 P.M.

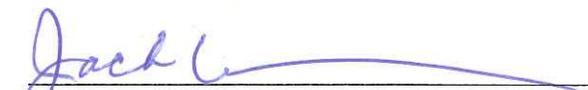
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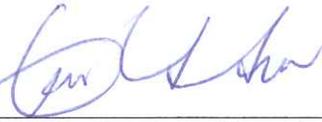
Motion made by Deputy Mayor Wicherman to go back into Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

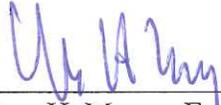
Motion made by Deputy Mayor Wichterman, seconded by Councilmember Murray, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 3:55 P.M.


Edward J. Mahaney, Jr., Mayor

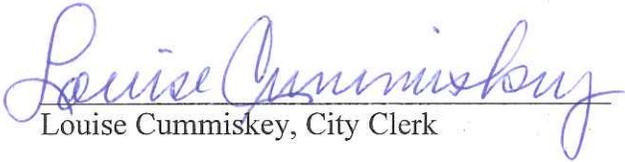

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William H. Murray Esq., Councilmember



Louise Cummiskey, City Clerk