

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2017 – 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE: Ms. Bergman, Mr. DeVlieger, Mr. Hartzell, Mr. McClellan, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Madden. Present also was Business Administrator, James Mallon and Solicitor, Dorothy McCrosson. Mr. Barr was absent.

Council President Peter Madden called the meeting to order and asked everyone to rise for the flag salute and prayer. Ms. Bergman led the prayer. Mr. Madden announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been given pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Michael Hinchman – 281 W. Atlantic Blvd – Mr. Hinchman requested that the governing body table Resolution No. 14 and suggested a capital expenditures committee.

Bob DelBane – 127 Haven Avenue – Mr. DelBane spoke about a paving issue on his street and he submitted a petition that was signed to have the street be included in the next paving project.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to approve the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 22, 2017. Motion moved by Ms. Bergman, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed with the exception of Mr. Madden who abstained.

REPORTS – MAYOR & ADMINISTRATION:

Business Administrator, James Mallon reported that the city has had several great events this week, from a meeting on house raising grants, to a blood drive, to a great September 11th event. The city's team is doing a good job and they need to be commended. Mr. Mallon reminded everyone that the city had to go back out to bid on mechanical dredging for South and Sunny Harbors. Unfortunately, Pleasantville was not yet able to get approval to accept the city's material, but that does not mean that in the future this partnership will not be beneficial to both municipalities. This is an important example of why the city pursues multiple paths for dredge options. Also, Mr. Mallon reported that sewer repair on Bay Ave at 25th Street is expected to finish Friday. The Airport festival and airshow this weekend and a skydiving team will do a pyrotechnic jump Saturday night at 8:00 p.m. over the boardwalk landing on the beach between 7th and 8th. On Sunday night at the final POPS concert of the year, Miss NJ Kaitlyn Schoeffel, third runner up in Miss America will be greeting fans before the concert and during intermission. Also, Mr. Mallon addressed the comments made during public comment.

REPORTS – CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. McClellan discussed the public bidding process related to the purchase of the fire truck.

Mr. Hartzell said that it is more valuable to communicate and discuss the facts when there are questions and concerns.

Mr. DeVlieger attending a FIT meeting last week; there was a lot of discussion about the importance fixing infrastructure in an effort to be better prepared for storm related issues. Also, it is imperative that the city applies for grants relative to FEMA.

Mr. Wilson commented on the maintenance and management related to the ladder truck for the fire company.

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 17-17 on first reading and introduction. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. McClellan. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title.

Ordinance No. 17-17 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #87-17, Chapter XXX “Municipal Fees” of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Ocean City, New Jersey (Fee For Permit To Dredge Private Areas)

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson explained that this ordinance allows for contractor's to pay an application fee for a municipal permit to dredge privately-owned areas under the authority of Ocean City's individual permit.

There was some discussion between the governing body.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-17 on first reading and introduction. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Bergman. All ayes followed. Mr. Madden announced that second reading and public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, September 28, 2017 and will be published according to law.

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 17-15 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Bergman. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title.

Ordinance No. 17-15 – An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Ocean City to Convey Its Interest in the Land Known as Block 611.11, Lots 122 and 131 to Nicholas Talotta, Sr. (50% Owner) and the Family

Trust Created by the Veronica P. Talotta Revocable Trust Agreement Dated November 13, 2008 (50% Owner) in Exchange for a Deed of Dedication and Perpetual Storm Damage Reduction Easement

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson explained Exhibit B and provided an explanation on the deed exchange.

There was some discussion between the governing body.

Mr. Madden opened up the meeting for public comment on Ordinance No. 17-15. There was not anyone from the public who wished to speak. Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-15 on second reading. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Bergman. All ayes followed.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 17-16 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. McClellan. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title.
Ordinance No. 17-16 – An Ordinance Revising Chapter XXI, Flood Damage Prevention of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Ocean City, New Jersey (2017 Update)

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson explained that this ordinance is an ordinance updating the City's Flood Damage Prevention ordinance to ensure that it meets FEMA's Map Modernization Program requirements, thus ensuring that Ocean City remains in good standing with the National Flood Insurance Program and that federally-backed flood insurance remains available to property owners in the city. This ordinance updates FIS and FIRM panel numbers, updates the map effective date and introduces a new "Coastal A Zone".

There was some discussion between the governing body.

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Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-16 on second reading. Motion moved by Ms. Bergman, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

17-53-264 - #1 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City Contract #17-02, 2017 Road Improvement Program – Phase I

17-53-265 - #2 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City Contract #18-02, Lease of 9th Street Parking Lot Restaurant

17-53-266 - #3 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract to M & W Franklin, LLC D/B/A Eastern Sign Company for Signage for the Department of Public Works

17-53-267 - #4 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract to TIX, Inc. for Event Ticket Management & Sales for the Department of Community Services

17-53-268 - #5 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract to South Jersey Overhead Door Company, Inc. for Installation, Maintenance & Repairs of Citywide Overhead Door

17-53-269 - #6 - A Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and Northeast and Bucks Company T/A Mullin & Lonergan Associates for the Ocean City Housing Authority Pecks Beach/Bayview Manor ERR Preparation & the Assessment of FHA Preparation

17-53-270 - #7 - A Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and Northeast and Bucks Company T/A Mullin & Lonergan Associates As A Consultant Services for the Community Development Block Grant Program

17-53-271 - #8 - A Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and Northeast and Bucks Company T/A Mullin & Lonergan Associates for Consultant Services for the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) Preparation

17-53-272 - #9 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and Tetra Tech for the 2017 FEMA FMA Elevation Grant Application

17-53-273 - #10 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and ACT Engineers Inc. for the 2017 Dredge Inspection and Management Support

17-53-274 - #11 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and ACT Engineers Inc. for the 2017 Bayfront Inspection and Management Support

17-53-275 - #12 - 1A Resolution Authorizing the City's Participation in the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) National Cooperative Purchasing Program for Contract #113012, Roadway Maintenance Equipment with Related Accessories, Supplies & Service for the Department of Public Works

17-53-276 - #13 - A Resolution Authorizing the City's Participation in the Houston – Galveston Area Council of Governments National Cooperative Purchasing Program (HGAC-Buy) For Contract # RH08-16, Refuse Handling Equipment with H. Barber and Sons, Inc. for the Department of Public Works

17-53-277 - #14 - A Resolution Authorizing the City's Participation in the Houston – Galveston Area Council of Governments National Cooperative Purchasing Program (HGAC-Buy) For Contract # FS12-15, Fire Service Apparatus for the Department of Fire & Rescue Services

17-53-278 - #15 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 1309 Asbury Avenue, Block 1304, Lot 9, Project 13-018PSPF
17-53-279 - #16 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 1011 West Avenue, Block 1005, Lot 11, Project 14-023PSPF
17-53-280 - #17 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 34 Corinthian Avenue, Block 6, Lot 28.03, Project 13-031PMSP
17-53-281 - #18 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 913 Wesley Avenue, Block 902, Lot 4, Project #13-042ZD
17-53-282 - #19 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 2745-51 West Avenue, Block 2703, Lot 4, Project #14-002PMN
17-53-283 - #20 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 113 Ocean Avenue, Block 104, Lot 13, Project #14-016ZC
17-53-284 - #21 - A Resolution Amending the 2017 Budget of the City of Ocean City to Include Additional Revenue from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program
17-53-285 - #22 - A Resolution Amending the 2017 Budget of the City of Ocean City to Include Additional Revenue from the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Recycling Tonnage Grant
17-53-286 - #23 - A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Claims
17-53-287 - #24 - A Resolution Authorizing the Rejection of Bids for City Contract #16-23, Masonry Stabilization Project at Ocean City's City Hall

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Motion moved by Ms. Bergman, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed.

PENDING BUSINESS:

Mr. Hartzell reminded everyone about the 4th ward public meetings scheduled for the remainder of the year and also for 2018; flyers were distributed with all of the meeting dates listed including the time and place.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Hartzell spoke about the VFW and the importance and meaning of honoring veterans.

Mr. DeVlieger spoke about Mr. Ed Speitel who has recently passed away. Also, Mr. DeVlieger reminded everyone about the air show this Saturday and commended Todd Dwyer for planning such a fantastic event for the city.

Mr. Wilson spoke about the fall golf event being held September 27th and anyone who wishes to participate can get in touch with him.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

There was not anyone from the public who wished to speak.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Hartzell. All ayes followed. 7:51 p.m.



Melissa Bovera, City Clerk