

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2020 – 7:00PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Barr, Ms. Bergman (absent), Mr. DeVlieger, Mr. Hartzell, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Madden. Present also was Mayor Gillian, Business Administrator, and Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson.

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

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Steve Bassett – Somers Point – spoke on behalf of Nelson Dice; said he deserves a fair trial among his peers to be able to be a member of St. Peter's Methodist Church in Ocean City.

Nelsen Dice – 12th and Central Ave – said he has been falsely arrested outside of St. Peter's Methodist Church in Ocean City and he spoke about oaths of office.

Donna Moore – 21 Ocean Ave – spoke about pesticide application and thinks that residents need to be informed about the chemicals they are being exposed to.

Dave Breeden – 114 Victoria Lane – spoke about the bird abatement contract regarding the maintenance fee. He also spoke about the lobbyist consulting contract and wants to know why he isn't being paid per hour for his services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt the regular city council meeting minutes of Thursday, February 13, 2020. Motion moved by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hartzell. All ayes followed with the exception of Mr. DeVlieger and Mr. Wilson who both abstained.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt the closed executive session minutes of Thursday, February 13, 2020. Motion moved by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hartzell. All ayes followed with the exception of Mr. DeVlieger and Mr. Wilson who both abstained.

REPORTS – MAYOR & ADMINISTRATION:

2020 State of the City Address By Mayor Jay A. Gillian

REPORTS – CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. DeVlieger commented on the memorial that took place at the Ocean City Tabernacle and said that it was an event done well.

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 20-02. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title. **Ordinance No. 20-02 – A Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Property in and by the City of Ocean City, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, Appropriating \$6,545,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,217,750 Bonds or Notes of the City to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof**

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided an explanation. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment on Ordinance No. 20-02.

Dave Breeden – 114 Victoria Lane – spoke about coastal cottages and the 700 signatures/petitions obtained by FIT in the past when the city was taking steps to purchase the above mentioned property.

Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting and there was discussion between the governing body members. Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20-02 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 20-03 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hartzell. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title. **Ordinance No. 20-03 – A Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Property in and by the City of Ocean City, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, Appropriating \$3,000,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,850,000 Bonds or Notes of the City to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof**

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Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 20-04 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title.

Ordinance No. 20-04 – A Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Property in and by the City of Ocean City, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, Appropriating \$2,340,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,223,000 Bonds or Notes of the City to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided an explanation. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment on Ordinance No. 20-04 no one wished to speak. Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting and there was discussion between the governing body members.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20-04 on second reading. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Hartzell. All ayes followed.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 20-05 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title. **Ordinance No. 20-05 – An Ordinance Amending a Portion of Ordinance #87-17, Chapter XXX, “Municipal Fees” of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Ocean City to Reflect Changes**

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided an explanation. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment on Ordinance No. 20-05.

Donna Moore – 21 Ocean Ave – expressed her concerns about the dunes and asked about limitations regarding recreational vehicles being driven on the beach during hide tide.

Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting on Ordinance No. 20-05. There was discussion between the governing body members. Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20-05 on second reading. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 20-06 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title. **Ordinance No. 20-06 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter XVIII – Beaches, Boardwalks and Recreational Areas (Motor Vehicles on Beaches)**

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided an explanation. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment on Ordinance No. 20-06 and no one wished to speak. Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting. Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20-06 on second reading. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed.

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 20-07 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Barr. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title. **Ordinance No. 20-07 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #87-17 , Chapter XXX, “Municipal Fees” of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Ocean City, New Jersey**

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided an explanation. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment on Ordinance No. 20-07 and no one wished to speak. Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting and asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20-07 on second reading. Motion moved by Mr. Hartzell, seconded by Mr. Wilson. All ayes followed.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

20-56-244 - #1 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City Contract #20-17, Improvements to Various Boardwalk Street End Ramps – Central

20-56-245 - #2 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City Contract #20-18, Improvements to Various Beach ADA Ramps – North

20-56-246 - #3 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract between the City of Ocean City and the Doo Wop Project, LLC for an Appearance on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at the Ocean City Music Pier

20-56-247 - #4 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract between the City of Ocean City & Bayside Construction Services, LLC for the Renovations to the Ocean City Historical Museum in the Ocean City Community Center

20-56-248 - #5 - A Resolution Authorizing the City's Participation in the Omnia Partners-Public Sector Contract #R151901 for Managed Business/Operational Service & Solutions for the Department of Administration & Financial Management

20-56-249 - #6 - A Resolution Authorizing the City's Participation in Omnia Partners-Public Sector Contract, US Communities, Contract #R-TC-17006, Online Market for the Purchase of Products and Services on an As Needed Basis for the City of Ocean City, NJ

20-56-250 - #7 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 4633 Central Avenue, Block 4601, Lot 4, Project #16-020ZC

20-56-251 - #8 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 1 Wesley Road, Block 70.03, Lot 1, Project #16-002PMN

20-56-252 - #9 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 6 14th Street, Block 1408, Lot 6, Project #16-019PMN

20-56-253 - #10 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 913 Simpson Avenue, 901 Simpson Avenue, 110 9th Street Block 907, Lot (S) 6,7 & 8, Project #14-046PSPP

20-56-254 - #11 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Performance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 304-10 St. David's Place, Block 4703.02, Lot (S) 1.01 & 1.02, Project #19-001PBA

20-56-255 - #12 - A Resolution Supporting the Application Seeking Regional Designation of Cape May County as a "Coast Guard Community"

20-56-256 - #13 - A Resolution Consenting to City Council's Appointment of Bradford Jungels as Alternate I and Crystal Phillips Quijano as an Alternate II Members to the Environmental Commission

20-56-257 - #14 - A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Claims

20-56-258 - #15 - A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License for Fence Encroachment for Placement of a Fence within the City Rights-of Way known as West Avenue and 33rd Street Adjacent to the Property Located at 301 – 33rd Street, Lot 2, Block 3203

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

PENDING BUSINESS:

Mr. Barr reminded everyone about the next 4th ward meeting being held on April 11th at 10:00 a.m. at the Ocean City Free Public Library. He also gave his condolences to the families of Mario Gallelli and Al Kelleher, both who recently passed away.

Mr. Hartzell gave his condolences to the families of Mario Gallelli and Al Kelleher, both who recently passed away.

Mr. DeVlieger gave his condolences to Al Kelleher, who recently passed away.

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NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was discussed.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Dave Breeden – 114 Victoria Lane – commented on the State of City Address given by the Mayor.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Barr. All ayes followed. 8:40 p.m.



Melissa Rasner, City Clerk