

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2020 – 7:00PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mr. Madden stated the following: The meeting will be muted to the public except during the citizen comment portion. At that time we will ask for names alphabetically and once we have the list of names we will individually call upon you to give your full name, address and comment. Due to the unique nature of this meeting under today's circumstances there will be one opportunity for citizen comment at the end of the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Barr, Ms. Bergman, Mr. DeVlieger, Mr. Hartzell, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Madden. Present also was Mayor Gillian, Business Administrator, Mr. Savastano 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. Madden announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been given pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt the regular city council meeting minutes of April 9, 2020. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Bergman. All eyes followed.

REPORTS – MAYOR & ADMINISTRATION:

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided a detailed explanation regarding Resolution No. 18 on the agenda for approval.

REPORTS – CITY COUNCIL:

No reports were given.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

20-56-298 - #1 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City Contract # 18-36 R-1, Improvements to Civic Center

20-56-299 - #2 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City RFQ #Q-20-002 R-1, Professional Pickleball Instructor Services for the City of Ocean City

20-56-300 - #3 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract between the City of Ocean City and ChlorKing, Inc. for the Lease, Maintenance & the Repair of the Polarity X-Gen/PH Neutral Hypochlorite Generator at the Ocean City Aquatic & Fitness Center Pool Natatorium

20-56-301 - #4 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract between the City of Ocean City and Main Line Commercial Pools, Inc. for the Water Management Program at the Ocean City Aquatic & Fitness Center Pool Natatorium

20-56-302 - #5 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract between the City of Ocean City and Caterina Supply for Supply of Check Mate RCP & HDPE Values for the Department of Community Operations & Engineering

20-56-303 - #6 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and ACT Engineers, Inc. for 2020 Dredge Bathymetry

20-56-304 - #7 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract between the City of Ocean City and Triad Associates to Provide Administrative Agent-Market to Affordable Housing Services to the City of Ocean City

20-56-305 - #8 - A Resolution Authorizing Change Order #4 to City Contract #19-33, 2019 Road Improvement at Various Locations - Midtown Road Improvements

20-56-306 - #9 - A Resolution Declaring that an Emergent Condition Exists and Authorizing an Award of a Contract to Scarborough Marine Group for the Emergency Dredging at 8th Street and 9th Street Outfalls

20-56-307 - #10 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project Located at 1018 Wesley Avenue, Block 1003, Lot 13, Project #15-033MN

20-56-308 - #11 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project Located at 348-50 W. 17th Street, Block 1709.01, Lot 17, Project #16-011PMN

20-56-309 - #12 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project Located at 8 West Avenue, Block 12, Lot 5, Project #17-004PBA

20-56-310 - #13 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Performance Guarantee for a Construction Project Located at 4445-47 Central Avenue, Block 4401, Lot 1, Project #18-002ZBA

20-56-311 - #14 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Performance Guarantee (SB30078) for a Construction Project Located at 111 9th Street, Block 809.01, Lot 1, Project #18-006PBA

20-56-312 - #15 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Performance Guarantee for a Construction Project Located at 2437-2439 Wesley Avenue, Block 2400, Lot 7.01, Project #18-009ZBA

20-56-313 - #16 - A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Performance Guarantee for a Construction Project Located at 2218 Wesley Avenue, Block 2201, Lot 17, Project #18-025PBA

20-56-314 - #17 - A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License for Encroachment of an ADA-Compliant Ramp Landing within the City Right-Of-Way Known as West Avenue Adjacent to the Property Located at 200 West Avenue (Lot 11, Block 212)

20-56-315 - #18 - A Resolution Changing the Rate of Interest for Delinquent Taxes

20-56-316 - #19 - A Resolution Establishing Rules and Regulations for Proper Control and Regulation of the Beachfront

20-56-317 - #20 - A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Claims

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

PENDING BUSINESS:

Mr. Barr spoke about re-opening the city slowly, carefully and methodically. The health of the people is important and the city will act in accordance with the other shore towns. Guidance will be given from the Governor on Monday.

Mr. Hartzell spoke about the importance of having extra supplies if something like this should happen in the future. He spoke about Resolution No. 18 and thanked the administration for their efforts. Also, Mr. Hartzell talked about restaurants opening back up for business and suggested that they have the consent to increase their sidewalk seating temporarily. Another suggestion that Mr. Hartzell brought up had to do with retail stores; if the boardwalk remains closed then maybe it would be possible for patrons to use the rear entrances to the retail stores. Mayor Gillian commented that the city will re-open the right way and will not put people's health at risk.

Ms. Bergman said that she would like to commend the administration for all of their efforts during this pandemic; the communication between the Mayor, business community, city council and Shore Medical is greatly appreciated. Ms. Bergman encouraged everyone to support the local businesses by ordering take-out and participating in virtual sales online which allows you to shop.

Mr. Wilson said that although we are living in crazy times we are still very blessed. Everyone is working together and bouncing ideas off of each other during this challenging time, but we do have great resources.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was discussed.

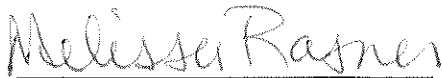
CITIZEN COMMENT:

Donna Moore – 21 Ocean Ave – said thank you for holding the meeting and she thanked the Mayor for his cautious approach. She also commented that she found the promotional commercial on you tube to be confusing. Ms. Moore talked about organic land management and she asked the city to consider using organic products on the youth athletic fields. Ms. Moore thanked Ms. McCrosson for providing information about the contract with Verizon. Lastly, she asked about the end fill material for the artificial turf at the airport. She wanted to know if it will be strictly sand.

Chuck Deal – 2837 Central Ave – said he appreciates the council having the meeting and he spoke about Ordinance No. 19-22. He expressed his concerns and said that the 30% increase in impervious coverage could be a problem.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. DeVlieger. All ayes followed. 8:00 p.m.



Melissa Rasner, City Clerk