

July 7, 2008
REGULAR SESSION #13
MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

Present:

Mayor Richard W. Meehan

Council President Joe Mitrecic

Council Secretary Nancy Howard

Council Member Jim Hall

Council Member Jay Hancock

Council Member Mary Knight

Council Member Lloyd Martin

Council Member Margaret Pillas

ATTENDANCE

City Manager Dennis Dare, Acting City Solicitor Heather Stansbury, Assistant to City Manager Kathy Mathias, Public Works Director Hal Adkins, City Clerk Carol Jacobs, Special Events Coordinator Lynda Brittingham, Members of the Press and interested parties.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Joe Mitrecic called this Regular Session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 Baltimore Avenue, Ocean City, Maryland 21842.

PRAYER & PLEDGE

Reverend Father Vasilios Penteridis Archimandrite of the St. George Greek Orthodox Church led the Prayer and Council Member Lloyd Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORT FROM CITY MANAGER ON UPCOMING WORK SESSION

City Manager Dennis Dare advised that the following items are scheduled in the upcoming work session:

1. Bid Opening for a dump truck
2. Discussion of an offshore wind park – presented by Dave Blazer of Maryland Project Director for Blue Water Wind

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for Regular Session #12, dated June 16, 2008, were approved as presented.

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT REQUESTS

Special Events Coordinator Lynda Brittingham presented the following events for approval:

- A. **Clay, Fire and Sand** on October 11th-12th, 2008 on 76th Street. Present for comment was Marie Cavallaro. **Council Secretary Nancy Howard moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Jim Hall. The vote was unanimous.**
- B. **Yellow Ribbon Beach Blast** on Saturday, September 27, 2008, starting at 6:00 p.m., on Caroline Street. Present for questions was Kelley Green. **Council Member Jim Hall moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Mary Knight. The vote was unanimous.**

NEW BUSINESS

Citizen Bret Anderson, accompanied by Roger Karwacki and Jim Molofsky, voiced opposition the Town's intention to extend 144th Street east, from Wight Street, to the dune (to facilitate the Wight Street Water Main Project.) Public Works Director Hal Adkins stated that there is no project to extend 144th Street at this time. He explained that planning is underway for water main replacement on Wight Street (from 136th through 146th Street). Further, Director Adkins assured the Mayor and Council that all impacted areas are cleared as a municipal right of way.

Mayor Meehan stated that this public property may be needed to facilitate public safety. He advised Mr. Anderson that property owners will be notified before any changes are made.

ITEMS REFERRED TO, AND PRESENTATIONS FROM, THE CITY SOLICITOR

Acting City Solicitor Heather Stansbury presented the Second Reading of Ordinance 2008-14, amending the Zoning District Map (changes to zoning at 3303 Coastal Highway and 202 33rd Street to LC-1, Local Commercial). **Council Member Jim Hall moved to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2008-14; seconded by Council Secretary Nancy Howard. The vote was unanimous.**

ITEMS REFERRED TO, AND PRESENTATIONS FROM, THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Dennis Dare requested approval to solicit bids for: (1) Boardwalk Lumber; (2) One Cab Chassis for the Recycle Box Truck; (3) Backhoe; (4) Dump Truck; (5) Generator Maintenance; (6) two segways, and; (7) one Zoll Auto-pulse Unit. **Council Secretary Nancy Howard moved to approve all items (including one dump truck) for bid; seconded by Council Member Mary Knight. The vote was unanimous.**

COMMENTS FROM THE CITIZENS

None

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Council Secretary Nancy Howard requested that the Mayor send a letter to Worcester County requesting the library be open on the weekends. The Mayor agreed to send a letter.

Council Member Mary Knight said she enjoyed the Beach Boy's concert on Sunday night. She said she was really impressed with the Convention Center's acoustics.

Mayor Meehan commented on the very successful 4th of July Weekend.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Jim Hall moved to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.; seconded by Council Member Lloyd Martin. The vote was unanimous.

Minutes prepared by Deputy City Clerk Kelly Allmond



Minutes certified by City Clerk Carol Jacobs

Minutes approved by the Mayor and City Council on 7-21-08