



August 4, 2008
REGULAR SESSION #15
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 Lloyd Martin

Council Member Margaret Pillas

Absent:

Council Member Mary Knight

ATTENDANCE

City Manager Dennis Dare, City Solicitor Guy Ayres, Assistant to City Manager Kathy Mathias, Public Works Director Hal Adkins, City Engineer Terry McGean, Zoning Administrator Blaine Smith, City Clerk Carol Jacobs, 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 George Godfrey of the Atlantic United Methodist 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. Review of Engineering Services Proposal for the design and bidding of upgrades to the Arctic Avenue Sewer Pumping Station – presented by Public Works Director Hal Adkins;
2. Report on the Recreation and Parks Committee Meeting of July 15, 2008 – presented by Council Member Jim Hall.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for Regular Session #14, dated July 21, 2008, were approved as presented.

ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Rick Meehan proclaimed August 4, 2008 as *Alaska Stand Day* to honor the Alaska Stand's 75th Year of business in Ocean City. Present to accept the Proclamation was Bob Givarz and his mother, Dorothy Givarz.

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT REQUESTS

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

- A. **Step Out to Fight Diabetes**, on Saturday, November 1, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., starting at the Inlet. Present for questions was Carlos Mir. **Council Member Jim Hall moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Lloyd Martin. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
- B. **4th Annual Red Knights Parade of Brothers and 9/11 Memorial Service**, on Thursday, September 11, 2008, starting at 10:00 a.m., on 21st Street. Present for questions was Larry Sackadorf. **Council Secretary Nancy Howard moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Lloyd Martin. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
- C. **Awareness for Missing and Unidentified Children**, on Saturday, August 23, 2008, starting at 7:30 a.m., on Worcester Street. Participants, Darlene Huntsman explained, will distribute flyers of missing and unidentified children to boardwalk patrons. Also present for questions was Susan Bowerman. **Council Member Jim Hall moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Margaret Pillas. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Monica Freese requested approval to close the Bayshore Drive Cul-de-sac for the 2nd Annual Bayshore Bash, from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., on Saturday, August 30, 2008. Ms. Freese also requested the allowance of alcoholic beverages, a Disc Jockey, and a dunking booth during the event. **Council Member Margaret Pillas moved to approve; seconded by Council Secretary Nancy Howard. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
- B. Terry Daly of Re/Max Properties requested permission to raise their 25'x25' Re/Max cold-air balloon on 6200 Coastal Highway, during the Maryland Association of Realtors Convention, September 8 – 10, 2008. **Council Member Lloyd Martin moved to approve; seconded by Council Secretary Nancy Howard. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
- C. City Engineer Terry McGean proposed new bulkhead standards (see Attachment A). City Solicitor Ayres advised that he will prepare a Resolution, adopting the new bulkhead standards, for approval in the upcoming Work Session. **Council Secretary Nancy Howard moved to accept City Engineer McGean's recommendation; seconded by Council Member Jim Hall. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
- D. Council President Mitrecic requested permission to close the Pine Needle Road street-end, on Saturday, August 16, 2008, for the Caine Keys II Annual Picnic. Permission to serve alcohol was also requested. **Council Member Lloyd Martin moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Jim Hall. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Zoning Administrator Blaine Smith presented a Conditional Use Request, made by Golf Ventures, Inc., to expand the indoor miniature golf course, located on 107 146th Street. Present for questions was Nolan Graves and Brian Shockley. **Council Member Jim Hall moved to accept the Planning and Zoning Commission's Finding of Fact and approve the Conditional Use Request; seconded by Council Secretary Nancy Howard. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND OTHER CITY ORGANIZATIONS

Council Member Lloyd Martin moved to re-appoint Peck Miller to the Planning and Zoning Commission; seconded by Council Secretary Nancy Howard. The vote was 5-0 with Council Member Jim Hall out of the room, and Council Member Mary Knight absent.

ITEMS REFERRED TO, AND PRESENTATIONS FROM, THE CITY MANAGER

- A. Public Works Director Hal Adkins made a recommendation to hire Whitman, Requardt and Associates as engineers for the Jamestown Road Sewer Main Replacement project. **Council Member Lloyd Martin moved to accept the recommendation; seconded by Council Secretary Nancy Howard. The vote was 5-0 with Council Member Jim Hall out of the room, and Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
- B. City Engineer Terry McGean made a recommendation to hire Soule' and Associates to engineer the canal dredging program. Citizen Herb Pawlukewicz asked where the project will begin. City Engineer McGean advised that the schedule (presented in an earlier work session) is available upon request. **Council Member Lloyd Martin moved to accept the recommendation; seconded by Council Member Margaret Pillas. The vote was 5-0 with Council Member Jim Hall out of the room, and Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
- C. City Manager Dennis Dare recommended approval for the following contract awards:
- o **Kelly Generator & Equipment** for the annual standby Generator Preventative Maintenance Program, in the amount of \$13,600.00. **Council Secretary Nancy Howard moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Lloyd Martin. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
 - o **Segway of Delmarva** for two (2) Segway X2's, for the sum of \$11,800.00. **Council Member Margaret Pillas moved to approve; seconded by Council Secretary Nancy Howard. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
 - o **Grasmick Lumber Company**, for Boardwalk replacement lumber, for the sum of \$61,991.05. **Council Member Lloyd Martin moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Jim Hall. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**
 - o **Stryker Sales Corp. (dba Stryker EMS)**, for three (3) Stryker Power-Pro Ambulance Cots, for the sum of \$8,807.46 (price includes trade-in value). **Council Member Jim Hall moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Lloyd Martin. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**

CONTRACT AWARDS CONTINUED...

- o **Abel Fence** for Boardwalk Railings, in the amount of \$83,975.00. **Council Secretary Nancy Howard moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Jim Hall. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**

D. Public Works Director Hal Adkins recommended a one-year contract extension with **Worth Construction** for annual sidewalk maintenance concrete and repairs. **Council Member Jim Hall moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Lloyd Martin. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.**

COMMENTS FROM THE CITIZENS

Citizen Thomas Hoffman talked about the horticulture on his property.

Citizen Jim McGinnis commented on the VFW Booth on Caroline Street.

Citizen Herb Pawlukewicz complained about the traffic on Coastal Highway.

Citizen Johanna VanKirk complained about run-off damage to her daughter's property resulting from the demolition of a nearby hotel. Council President Mitrecic referred this matter to City Staff for review.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

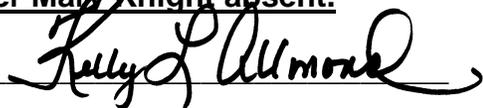
Mayor Rick Meehan commented on the White Marlin Open.

Council Member Lloyd Martin reminded everyone that tomorrow night is National Lights Out, from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.. He said that community gatherings will take place on Bayshore Drive and Fiesta Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Jim Hall moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.; seconded by Council Member Lloyd Martin. The vote was 6-0 with Council Member Mary Knight absent.

Minutes prepared by Deputy City Clerk Kelly Allmond



Minutes certified by City Clerk Carol Jacobs

Minutes approved by the Mayor and City Council on 08-18-08

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 7/30/2008
TO: DENNIS DARE
CC: KATHY MATHIAS, MIKE RICHARDSON
FROM: TERENCE J. MCGEAN, PE
RE: NEW BULKHEAD STANDARDS

At the request of the Board of Port Wardens, I have prepared new Bulkhead Standards that incorporate the latest materials and installation techniques including vinyl sheet piles and mechanical earth anchoring systems. These standards will supplement the existing standards for timber bulkheads. The Standards apply to bulkheads of up to 8' in height and 100' in length. Bulkheads outside those limits must still be designed by a Professional Engineer.

The standards were presented to the Port Wardens during two public meetings and were also sent to all bulkhead installers for comment. The Board of Port Wardens has endorsed the new Standards. Per City Code section 106-38, the Board is forwarding these standards to the Mayor and City Council for adoption.

The New Standards are as follows:

Standard 4.0: Bulkheads up to 4' in height, all shorelines

Standard 6.0: Bulkheads up to 6' in height, all shorelines

Standard 6.1: Bulkheads up to 6' in height, canal front replacement bulkheads only.

Standard 8.0: Bulkheads up to 8' in height, all shorelines

Standard 8.1: Bulkheads up to 8' in height, canal front replacement bulkheads only.

Standards 6.1 and 8.1 are designed with a less robust section that minimizes encroachment into the canal and takes advantage of the existing bulkhead piling. For these reasons these canal front standards are not be used on open water (i.e. direct bayfront) where wave energy necessitates a stronger section and there are no issues with loss of channel width.