

**September 17, 2012**  
**Regular Session #18**  
**Mayor and Council**  
**Town of Ocean City**

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**Mayor Richard W. Meehan**  
**Council President James S. Hall**  
**Council Secretary Lloyd Martin**

**Council Member Margaret Pillas**  
**Council Member Mary Knight**  
**Council Member Doug Cymek**  
**Council Member Joe Hall**  
**Council Member Brent Ashley**

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**ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Rick Meehan, Council President James S. Hall, Council Secretary Lloyd Martin, Council Members Margaret Pillas, Mary Knight, Doug Cymek, Joe Hall and Brent Ashley, City Manager David Recor, City Solicitor Guy Ayres, Public Works Director Hal Adkins, City Engineer Terry McGean, City Clerk Kelly Allmond, Members of the Press and Interested Parties.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President Jim Hall 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 AND PLEDGE**

City Clerk Kelly Allmond led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

**REPORT FROM CITY MANAGER ON UPCOMING WORK SESSION**

City Manager David Recor advised that the following items are scheduled for discussion in the upcoming work session:

1. Closed Session – Tuesday, September 25, 2012 – 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m. – Legal and Real Estate Matters
2. Report on Closed Session – Tuesday, September 25, 2012 – 12:00 p.m. – Legal and Real Estate Matters
3. Retirement Recognition for Jesse Houston, Director of Planning and Community Development
4. Update from Tourism Advisory Board - presented by: Greg Shockley, Chair
5. Discussion of Town Employee Health Insurance Renewal - presented by: Kay Moran, Bolton Partners and Wayne Evans, Human Resource Director
6. Request to Sole Source Purchase a Dewatering Press and Two (2) Mixer Gearboxes - presented by: Charlie Felin, Wastewater Superintendent
7. Update on Hazard Mitigation Activities – presented by: Bob Nelson, Planner
8. Discussion of 2012 Building Code Changes - presented by: Terence McGean, City Engineer
9. Continued Discussion of Eagle’s Landing Golf Passes - presented by: David Recor, City Manager

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Work Session dated August 28, 2012 were approved as presented
- B. Regular Session #17 dated September 4, 2012 were approved as amended

## ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

- A. Proclamation Honoring Tony Russo and Family for their 50th Year Anniversary of Tony's Pizza in Ocean City
- B. Presentation of Beauty Spot Awards

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update on Horse and Carriage Rides on the Boardwalk - presented by: Hal Adkins, Public Works Director **Council Member Joe Hall moved to accept the recommendation to allow R and B Ranch to commence with Horse and Carriage Rides in downtown Ocean City contingent upon the Operator's agreement to place Town-sponsored event advertisements on their carriages; seconded by Council Member Ashley. The vote was unanimous.** Public Works Director Hal Adkins advised that the operation will commence no earlier than October 19, 2012 and continue until April 13 or 14, 2013.

## ITEMS REFERRED TO AND PRESENTATIONS FROM THE CITY SOLICITOR

City Solicitor Ayres presented the following for approval:

- A. Second Reading – Ordinance 2012-26 to Adopt Budget Amendment #2 for FY2012 **Council Secretary Martin moved to ratify Ordinance 2012-26; seconded by Council Member Knight. The vote was unanimous.**
- B. First Reading – Ordinance 2012-27 to Adopt 2012 Building Codes (adoption of building and energy codes as required by the State of Maryland) **Council Member Ashley moved to approve Ordinance 2012-27 on First Reading; seconded by Council Secretary Martin. The vote was unanimous.** City Engineer Terry McGean will present a summary of changes in the next work session.
- C. Resolution 2012-13 Declaring the Official Intent of the Mayor and City Council to Reimburse Bond Proceeds for Expenditures to be Incurred with Respect to Certain Projects and Improvements to the Convention Center not to exceed Eight Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$8,300,000). **Council Secretary Martin moved to ratify Resolution 2012-13; seconded by Council Member Knight. The vote was unanimous.**

## ITEMS REFERRED TO AND PRESENTATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Bid Award Recommendations for:

- Network Core Switches to ePlus Technology in the amount of \$23,632.78 (Staff Estimate: \$28,000.00) **Council Member Knight moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Ashley. The vote was unanimous.**
- Old Landing Pumping Station Improvements to Harkins Contracting for the amount of \$670,000.00 (Staff Estimate: \$700,000.00) **Council Member Knight moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Ashley. The vote was unanimous.**
- St. Louis Avenue Improvements to George & Lynch for the amount of \$2,153,353.00 **Council Member Ashley moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Knight. The vote was unanimous.**
- 51<sup>st</sup> Street Production Well to Sydnor Hydro for the amount of \$242,079.00 (Staff Estimate: \$290,000.00) **Council Member Pillas moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Ashley. The vote was unanimous.**

- Northside Park Outdoor Exercise Area to West Recreation for the amount of \$119,000.00 **Council Member Knight moved to approve; seconded by Council Member Pillas. The vote was unanimous.**

### COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

- Al Wendling thanked the Staff for doing a good job during bike week.
- Herb Pawlukewicz said the Town should sell the golf course and airport, and, decrease ambulance charges for Seniors.
- Tony Christ spoke of the costs associated with Eagles Landing Golf Course, and, budget compared to the growth of government.
- John Medlin spoke about how phone calls from the Town appear erroneously caller id.
- Joe Mitrecic stated, for the record, that he has never personally used an Eagles Landing Gold Card.
- Ellie Diegelmann spoke about the unreasonably-loud noise and traffic from bike week.

### COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

- **Council Member Cymek moved to asked City Solicitor Guy Ayres draft an ordinance to allow skateboarding on the boardwalk during off-season bike hours; seconded by Council Member Knight. The vote was 6-1 with Council Member Ashley opposed.**
- Council Member Joe Hall asked Citizen Joe Groves about his organization's facebook page. Joe Groves advised that he prohibits negative comments.
- Council Member Pillas mentioned that Staff should look into tripping hazards caused by electric extension cords in the public right of way.
- Mayor Rick Meehan thanked Cliff Sutherland for a successful bike week.

### ADJOURNMENT

**Council Member Cymek moved to adjourn; seconded by Council Secretary Martin. The vote was unanimous.**



I hereby certify that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012, the Mayor and Council reviewed and approved this document.

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City Clerk Kelly L. Allmond  
Certified Municipal Clerk