

**AUGUST 24, 2021
WORK SESSION MINUTES**

The Work Session of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Cape May Point was called to order by Clerk Wallace at 12:00 PM. The Open Public Meetings Statement was read by the Mayor who then led those present in the flag salute. Mayor Moffatt, Commissioner Busch and Commissioner vanHeeswyk answered roll call. Also in attendance: Administrator Ed Grant, Clerk Elaine Wallace, and Solicitor John Amenhauser.

COMMISSIONERS' DISCUSSION (NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS)

Dogs on Beaches and People in Dunes: Mayor Moffatt advised the only way to confront these issues is to call the police department on the non-emergency number 609-884-9500. The police department is aware of the problems and they are ready to respond as necessary whenever possible depending on activity. If someone feels their all as met with an inappropriate response, please report it to the Borough for follow up.

Mayor Moffatt announced openings on the Planning Board. Anyone interested should contact Mayor Moffatt or Planning Board Chair Kelly. He also announced there will be a Zoom presentation and question and answer session this fall with the NJ Invasive Species Strike Team. More information to follow. Lastly, he thanked the beach patrol for a safe and successful season despite limited personnel.

Commissioner Busch reported on algae and discoloration on Lake Lily. It has been reported to NJDEP and she has spoken to Clean Flow who suggested it could be due to low water level and recent storms bringing in lots of nutrients. They suggested adding water as soon as possible. If that doesn't improve the situation, they will come out and troubleshoot.

Commissioner vanHeeswyk followed up on what Commissioner Busch's report by reminding people that fertilizer and pet waste contaminants flow into the storm sewers and directly into Lake Lily. These things effect the water quality of Lake Lily.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Grant reported the Historic Preservation Survey is under way with an August 31st response deadline. The Borough's background check policy is in place for new employees going forward. The Borough is still waiting to see if Cape May is going to repair their dispatch area or stay with the County permanently, which might require renegotiating. The employee manual update is almost completed and should be ready for presentation to the Commissioners at the next work session. Lastly, Mr. Grant has reviewed the budget and the Borough is in a good spot with revenues above last year.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION AND PUBLICATION:

08-2021 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 150, Section 21 (“Landscaping and Vegetation Plan”) of the Code of the Borough of Cape May Point

Motions: Busch, Moffatt

Roll call: all in favor

RESOLUTIONS:

102-21 Approval of Bill List

Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt

Roll call: all in favor

PUBLIC PORTION: No Comments

When no one wished to speak, the meeting was adjourned at 12:09 pm on motion of Commissioner vanHeeswyk, seconded by Mayor Moffatt.

Respectfully submitted,

Accepted:

Elaine L. Wallace, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

Commissioner Busch

Mayor Moffatt

Commissioner vanHeeswyk