

**SEPTEMBER 10, 2019  
WORK SESSION MINUTES**

The Work Session of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Cape May Point was called to order by Mayor Moffatt 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 and Commissioner Mullock answered roll call. Commissioner vanHeeswyk was absent. Also in attendance: Administrator Steve O'Connor, Clerk Elaine Wallace, and Solicitor Brock Russell.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Ocean/Pavilion/Central Reconstruction: The project is expected to take about 1 month to complete.

Lake Lily: The sprinkler system has been installed. The paving should begin in about 2 weeks, after having a preconstruction meeting. The engineer must mark out the path and bench placement again because someone pulled the flags/stakes out.

Sunset Boulevard: The County will be holding an information session on Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the West Cape May borough hall.

**COMMISSIONERS' DISCUSSION (NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS)**

Commissioner Mullock reported the landscaping bid for Lake Lily will be opened on September 24<sup>th</sup>. This is the final phase of the project. He also reported that Congressman Van Drew met with each commissioner individually to discuss the situation with the post office. Mr. Mullock also took him on a tour of the beaches and impressed upon him the importance of building up the dunes and jetty at Alexander. The congressman asked the Borough to submit a letter with the signature of all three commissioners so he can submit it to the federal government. He was supportive of dunes at Alexander, as well as the extension of the jetty as a separate matter. Lastly, Mr. Mullock commented that something must be done to bring the public works building up to standards to withstand a Cat 4 or 5 hurricane.

Mayor Moffatt reported beach tag sales were increased considerably this year. Unfortunately, the cost of the program will be increasing considerably next year.

Commissioner Mullock also wants to investigate establishing a 90 day wait time before a demotion can be done. He had previously suggested this after the home on Cape Avenue was torn down because there wasn't enough time to be able to move the structure to a new location. He suggested this be forwarded to the planning board for consideration.

**REVIEW OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:** The Clerk reviewed the items for the regular meeting of September 12, 2019.

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

Helen Chezem asked if the property next to Mary Kelly must submit a final plan showing where green space is and showing coverage. Mary Kelly said she addressed this with Mr. McGraw who advised her that no interim inspections are performed. She is concerned with coverage when pallet after pallet of pavers are being delivered. Lynn Smith commend that a lot of construction is going on and while some inconvenience is expected, it seems excessive at that location. Mary Kelly agreed that it is a constant onslaught of noise and inconvenience since she is surrounded by construction. Commissioner Mullock suggested that the Borough have an interim inspection performed instead of waiting until the end to see where the property stands. He's like to see the Borough Engineer involved in surveying the property. Solicitor Russell felt the Borough should be able to do that at any time to determine if the plan is being followed, but first he must speak with Commissioner vanHeeswyk because it falls in her department. Mary Kelly thanked the commissioners for their action.

Commissioner Mullock reminded everyone of the beach clean up on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 to 10:30 am. Emelia Oleson thanked Commissioner Mullock for offering to provide pastries and coffee.

Thomas Maye was having an ongoing difficulty with AT&T. After contacting Congressman Van Drew's office, the matter was settled quickly. At that time, when he spoke to AT&T, he was informed the problem with poor reception in this area would not be resolved until next year.

Rolly Bullard, Harvard Avenue, asked the status of 5G in the Borough after hearing reports in the local and national press about how the companies are pushing around towns. Solicitor Russell explained the Borough was proactive and adopted an ordinance in 2018 that protects the Borough as much as possible. The Borough still can't deny a request, but there are limitations on the types and placement of equipment.

Connie Campanella asked for clarification on how long the walkway project will be delayed due to the removal of the flags. She asked if there is any word about the status of the building that houses the post office. There hasn't been. Also, with respect to the post office, the temporary people seem to be working hard to fix the delivery system problems.

Mary Kelly again expressed appreciation for the Borough following up on her concerns. She is still having trouble nailing down what constitutes an eco-paver for pervious and green purposes and how they numbers relate to the vegetation rules.

Helen Chezem commented that it is not worthwhile for Verizon to install fios in this area. Solicitor Russell wondered if they don't want to invest in infrastructure that could be replaced in 5-10 years by 5G service.

When no one else wished to speak, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm on motion of Commissioner Mullock, seconded by Mayor Moffatt.

Respectfully submitted,

Accepted:

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Elaine L. Wallace, RMC, CMR  
Municipal Clerk

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Commissioner Mullock

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Commissioner vanHeeswyk

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Mayor Moffatt