

**JANUARY 24, 2023
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Cape May Point was called to order by Clerk Wallace at 6:00 PM. The Open Public Meetings Statement was read by the Clerk 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. This meeting was held electronically via ZOOM under local operation guidance from the NJDCA pursuant to P.L. 2020, c. 11.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Busch reported the NJ Audubon Stewardship staff has begun removing more invasives, with the assistance of Borough Public Works employees, on the east side of Lake Lily between the Cape May Bird Observatory and Oak Avenue. This is the last year of the contract with NJ Audubon, and it is unclear if they will be available to extend the contract.

Commissioner vanHeeswyk announced there was a resolution on the agenda updating the members of the Borough's Program for Public Information Committee, which helps the Borough obtain points in the CRS program, thus garnering a discount for residents' flood insurance premiums.

Mayor Moffatt reported the Borough will seek to enforce maximum penalties against anyone caught violating the provisions of the ordinance up for public hearing later in the meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Grant reported the annual JIF report has been completed. He and the CFO have begun exploring the possibility of investing in ideal funds program, which may be worthwhile considering increased interest rates. He reported a transfer resolution will be necessary at the next meeting. Lastly, he reported the 2023 budget was still under examination and might be discussed at the next regular meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION/PUBLICATION: None

RESOLUTIONS:

29-23 Authorizing the Application for and the Execution of a Subcontract for the Municipal Alliance Program

Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt

Roll call: all in favor

30-23 Authorizing the Amendment to the 2023 Temporary Budget

Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt

Roll call: all in favor

31-23 Authorizing the Borough Engineer to Provide Engineering Services for Alexander Avenue Resurfacing Improvements Phase 1 for a Total Cost Not to Exceed \$29,950.00

Motions: Busch, Moffatt
Roll call: all in favor

32-23 Updating Members of the Borough’s Program for Public Information (PPI) Committee

Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt
Roll call: all in favor

33-23 Approval of Bill List

Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt
Roll call: all in favor

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

08-2022 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 58, Article 1 (“Beach Protection Structures”) of the Code of the Borough of Cape May Point

Motion to open public hearing: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt
Roll call: all in favor

When no one wished to speak the public hearing was closed

Motion to adopt: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt
Roll call: all in favor

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Environmental Commission

- Barbara Bassett – Member – 3-year term expiring 1/31/2026
- Sandy Allison - Member – 3-year term expiring 1/31/2026
- Elise Geiger – Alternate #1 – 2-year term expiring 1/31/2025

Planning Board

- Barbara Bassett – Class II Member – 3-year term expiring 1/31/2026
- Motions: Moffatt, vanHeeswyk*
Roll call: all in favor

PUBLIC PORTION:

When no one else 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