

**APRIL 13, 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:**

Speed Tables: Mayor Moffatt asked the commissioners if they'd be in favor of adding speed tables to Lighthouse Avenue, explain the newly installed islands are not providing as much traffic calming as hoped. Commissioners vanHeeswyk and Busch were both in favor. Mayor Moffatt will advise the county engineer and ask him to provide the best placement.

Commissioner Busch reported public works continues to prepare for summer and has been replacing some electric equipment in the water/sewer department.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** No Report

**2022 BUDGET**

**Presentation by Auditor Mike Garcia**

Auditor Garcia provided a slide show and reviewed the highlights of the budget which will result in a 0.5 cent tax increase. The general and utility fund balances were both healthy. The budget was \$5,200 below the spending cap and \$200,000 below the tax levy cap. Mr. Garcia explained the purpose of Ordinance 02-203 and resolution 55-23.

**CAP ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING / PUBLIC HEARING**

02-2023 Calendar Year 2023 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and Establish a Cap Bank (NJSA 40A:4-45.14)

Auditor Garcia explained the purpose behind the ordinance.

*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*

**BUDGET RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING**

54-23 Read by Title Only and Open a Public Hearing on 2023 Municipal Budget

*Motion to adopt: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

When no one wished to speak, the public hearing was closed.

*Motion: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

55-23 Local Unit Self-Examination of Budget

*Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

56-23 Adoption of Municipal Budget for the Year 2023

*Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

Commissioner vanHeeswyk thanked Auditor Garcia and CFO Craft for their hard work on the budget. Both gentlemen left the meeting at the conclusion of the budget adoption.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

March 28, 2023 Work Session

*Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

**ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION/PUBLICATION:** None

**RESOLUTIONS:**

57-23 Authorizing Special Event Permit – Taylor Montgomery and ALS Greater Philadelphia Chapter

*Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

58-23 Approval of Bill List

*Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

**ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:**

03-2023 Salary Ordinance

*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*

**PROCLAMATION – Pride Month - June 2023**

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS**

**Planning Board**

Eileen Leming – Class IV member – 4-year term expiring 4-8-2027

Matt Brown – Class IV member – 4-year term expiring 4-8-2027

Elise Geiger – Class IV member – unexpired 4-year term expiring 4-8-2026

*Motions: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*  
*Roll call: all in favor*

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

Sandy Allison asked if there was a timeline for the paving of Alexander Avenue. Commissioner Busch reported the plans were being finalized by the engineer and would then be submitted to the state for approval. She was hoping to be able to do the paving in the coming fall. The first phase begins at the beach and proceeds roughly half the distance toward Cape. Ms. Allison asked why a sidewalk was installed at East Lake. Mayor Moffatt explained it was installed as a visual traffic calming device, not for the purpose of being a sidewalk.

When no one else wished to speak, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 pm on motion of Commissioner vanHeeswyk, seconded by Mayor Moffatt.

Respectfully submitted,

Accepted:

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Elaine L. Wallace, RMC, CMR  
Municipal Clerk

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Commissioner Busch

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Mayor Moffatt

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Commissioner vanHeeswyk