

**FEBRUARY 8, 2024  
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 state has approved the Borough's Community Forestry Plan. It will be posted on the borough website shortly and will be discussed at future meetings. Ms. Busch announced emergency repairs on Lighthouse Avenue that were approved at the January 23 meeting have been completed, although final milling and paving will be done after the area has settled. There was some confusion between residents and Pineland over trash and recycling containers. If anyone has trouble, they can contact Ed Grant, the borough's contract administrator. Lastly, she announced she attended a preconstruction meeting earlier in the day with the NJDEP regarding the Higbee Beach project which would be starting the following week and is expected to last 3 years. The main concerns conveyed were about traffic. The plan caps the number of trucks per day between Memorial Day and Labor Day, and limits them to County roads. A public information session was being held at the same time as this meeting, but a link to the recording will be posted on the borough's website once available from the state.

Commissioner vanHeeswyk announced this year's budget has been difficult but the borough hopes to be able to introduce it in the next few weeks. She also announced according to one NJDEP official, the borough is scheduled for a back passing beach fill on St. Peter's beach this fall or winter. She notified them of another area of concern, but wasn't sure if DEP would be able to provide extra sand for that location.

Mayor Moffatt reported rental fire inspections have begun and are running smoothly. He also stated the Planning Board is still looking for members and asked for names of anyone who would be willing to serve. Lastly, he advised the beach management plan will be approved later in the meeting. The precautionary beach, selected by the NJDEP, was moved from Alexander to Lighthouse, but won't affect swimming beaches.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Administrator Grant reported Cape May City was finally ready to meet regarding renewal of the Court Shared Services Agreement. He reiterated that anyone having trouble with the trash contract and new receptacle requirements should leave him a message. He has also been working on the budget with the CFO and auditor and believed it was nearly ready to introduce. Lastly, he thanked the Taxpayers Association for awarding a grant to fund EMS training among the lifeguards. He has begun working with the Lifeguard Chief on how to proceed.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

January 23, 2024

*Motion: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

**ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION/PUBLICATION:**

03-2024 An Ordinance Amending the Code of the Borough of Cape May Point, Chapter 94 "Garbage, Rubbish and Refuse", Chapter 109 "Litter; Maintenance of Property" to Require Certain Trash and Recycling Containers

*Motion: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

04-2024 An Ordinance Amending the Code of the Borough of Cape May point Chapter 58 "Beaches", Section 14 "Prohibited Conduct"

*Motion: Moffatt, vanHeeswyk*

*Roll call: all in favor*

05-2024 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 120, Article 1 ("Peace and Good Order – Disorderly Conduct"), of the Code of the Borough of Cape May Point

*Motion: Moffatt, vanHeeswyk*

*Roll call: all in favor*

**RESOLUTIONS:**

32-24 Resolution for Member Participation in a Cooperative Pricing System and Authorizing the Borough of Cape May Point to Enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement

*Motion: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

33-24 Authorizing Release and Refund of Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$10,000 for Street Opening Permits for Block 49, Lots 10 & 11, Harvard Avenue

*Motion: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

34-32 Authorizing Special Event Permit for Cape May Bird Observatory/New Jersey Audubon

*Motion: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

35-24 Authorizing Special Event Permit for Cape May Point Taxpayers Association

*Motion: vanHeeswyk, Moffatt*

*Roll call: all in favor*

36-24 Authorizing Execution of Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, NJ Department of Environmental Protection and the Borough of Cape May Point to adopt the Updated Beach Management Plan

*Motion: Busch, vanHeeswyk*  
*Roll call: all in favor*

37-24 Approval of Bill List

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

**ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

When no one wished to speak, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 pm on motion of Commissioner vanHeeswyk, seconded by Commissioner Busch.

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