

June 12, 2013

A Work Session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 7:03 p.m. in the Meeting Room, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, New Jersey.

Attendance: Public ----- 9

Reporters ----- 0

The Meeting was called to order by Council President Tipping.

Pledge of allegiance.

<u>Roll call:</u>	Council President Tipping	Present
	Councilman Covington	Present
	Councilman Dean	Present
	Council Vice President Ellenberg	Present
	Councilwoman Hudanich	Present

Also present:

Andrew J. Bednarek Business Administrator
 Stephen D. Barse, Esquire, Borough Solicitor
 Police Chief William McCormick
 Detective Sergeant Joseph Gaughan
 William Macomber, Director of Public Works/Utilities
 Paul Short, Code Enforcement Officer
 Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., Borough Engineer, Hatch Mott Macdonald, LLC
 William Serber, Esquire, Representing Dilbet, Inc., t/a Windrift Hotel Resort
 Paige Buckingham, Dilbet, Inc., t/a Windrift Hotel Resort

Notice of this Work Session was included in the Annual Schedule of Meetings dated June 27, 2012. It was given to the news media and posted on the Official Bulletin Board as required by law.

Council President Tipping read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing Place-to-Place Transfer of Dilbet, Inc., t/a Windrift Hotel Resort.

Council discussed the application for transfer. A report was received from Detective Sergeant Joseph Gaughan recommending approval. William Serber, Esquire, representing the licensee and Paige Buckingham, licensee were present. The impact of parking was addressed and Mr. Serber answered questions to Council’s satisfaction. Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution approving the application to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolutions 2013-2014 liquor licenses.

Council received a report from Detective Sergeant Joseph Gaughan who investigated all the licensees and recommends renewing all licenses. Council agreed to proceed with Resolutions to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing Hatch Mott Macdonald LLC to proceed with design, preparation of plans and specifications and advertisement for bids for a Fall, 2013 Road Reconstruction Project for a lump sum fee of fifty-two thousand (\$52,000.00) dollars.

Council reviewed the proposal with input from Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., Borough Engineer, Hatch Mott Macdonald, LLC. Brief discussion followed and Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

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Discussion regarding Resolution requesting approval of items of revenue and appropriations, (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87), New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control for Cops in Shops-Summer Shore Initiative 2013 and New Jersey Department of Transportation, FY2013 Municipal Aid Program Grant.

Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding approving 2013 Jitney Licenses.

Council discussed this item briefly and agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolutions authorizing the following professional services contracts:

McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC as Bond Counsel.

Insurance Solutions Inc. as insurance consultants.

Stephen D. Barse, Esquire as Borough Solicitor.

Lawrence A. Pepper Jr., Esquire as Labor Attorney.

Council received proposals for these contracts. There are no rate increases for their new terms and Council agreed to proceed with Resolutions to be prepared for the June 26, 2013 Regular Meeting.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing discharge of a mortgage under the Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation Program for property located at 2117 4th Avenue, Avalon, NJ.

Council had no problem with this item and agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing Joseph S. Clark, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Avalon to prepare specifications and advertise for bids for 2014 or newer heavy duty tractor.

Council discussed this item briefly and agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing the sale of surplus property no longer needed for public use with an online auction service.

Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolution designating and establishing meeting times for the Governing Body of the Borough of Avalon (Ch. 231 P.L. 1975, Open Public Meetings Act) for the period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Council approved of the proposed schedule of meetings and agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing refund of 2013 fee paid for Slip No. 23 at the Avalon Bay Park Marina.

Council discussed this request briefly, had no problem with granting a refund and agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolution approving the application for a taxicab license submitted by Joseph Conforto, t/a Off Shore Taxi Co. of North Cape May, NJ for a term of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

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Council had no problem with this application and agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Discussion regarding Resolution approving the application for an Off-premise Merchandise Raffle License submitted by the Brendan Borek High Tides Memorial Fund, Inc. to be held on Monday, September 2, 2013 at the Brendan Borek High Tides Memorial Fund office, 2170 Dune Drive, Avalon, NJ from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Council had no problem with this application. This is a new event so it must come before Council for approval. Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be voted upon at the Regular Meeting this evening.

Public comments:

Maria McBride, 270 57th Street expressed her wish that the storage of kayaks at 57th Street be eliminated or at least contained. She commented that there is space for approximately one hundred ninety kayaks and indicated that many more than that are being stacked and that there are also kayaks being left on the ground. She asked why the Borough isn't charging a fee for this storage. She also informed Council that someone placed a homemade rack for storage and that there are also canoes and paddle boards being stored. She expressed her opinion that this situation is bringing down property values. She asked that Council inspect the area.

Council President Tipping agreed to look at the situation.

Police Chief William McCormick reported that unauthorized items or anything left on the grass has been removed and pointed out that the Ordinance provides for impound fees.

Discussion followed and pictures of the area were submitted. Council agreed to have the Recreation Advisory Committee investigate this matter.

James Lutz, 2539 Ocean Drive commented that his neighbors have asked why the Borough doesn't have credit card capability for the purchase of beach tags at the beach tag booth. He also reported that the lifeguards have large boom boxes on the lifeguard stands and expressed concern that this creates a safety problem if the lifeguards can't hear if someone is in trouble.

Council Vice President Ellenberg commented that he has seen this situation at every lifeguard stand from 18th to 40th Street.

Police Chief William McCormick stated that he will talk to the Beach Patrol Captain about this matter.

Motion made by Council President Tipping, seconded by Council Vice President Ellenberg to adjourn the Work Session.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilman Covington	Aye
	Councilman Dean	Aye
	Council Vice President Ellenberg	Aye
	Councilwoman Hudanich	Aye
	Council President Tipping	Aye

Work Session adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy W. Kleuskens, Borough Clerk

Joseph V. Tipping, Council President