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A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 8:25 p.m. in the Meeting Room, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, New Jersey.

Attendance: Public - - - - - - - - - - 5 Reporters - - - - - - - - - - 3

The meeting was called to order by Council President Covington.

Roll call: Council President Covington Present

Council Vice President Dean Present

Councilman Ellenberg Present

Councilwoman Hudanich Present

Councilman McCorristin Present

Also present:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator

James A. Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator

Stephen D. Barse, Esquire, Borough Solicitor

James V. Craft, Chief Financial Officer

William Macomber, Director of Public Works/Utilities

Chief William McCormick

Paul E. Short, Sr. Code Enforcement Officer

Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., Borough Engineer, Hatch Mott Macdonald, LLC

Council President Covington read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

Notice of this Regular Meeting was included in the Annual Schedule of

Meetings dated June 25, 2014. It was given to the news media and posted on the Official Bulletin Board as required by law.

Minutes:

Work Session, Agenda Session, Regular Meeting – March 25, 2015

Motion made by Councilman McCorristin, seconded by Council Vice President Dean that the minutes be approved as submitted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Abstain

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye

Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Work Session, Agenda Session, Regular Meeting – April 8, 2015

Motion made by Councilman Ellenberg, seconded by Council President Covington that the minutes be approved as submitted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye

Councilman McCorristin Abstain

Council President Covington Aye

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Public comments regarding Resolutions:

None.

Resolution No. 77-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF

CERTAIN CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF THE

BOROUGH OF AVALON FOR THE PERIOD

FEBRUARY 25, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 11, 2015

CONCERNING MATTERS THAT HAVE BEEN

SETTLED OR CONCLUDED

Motion made by Council Vice President Dean, seconded by Councilwoman Hudanich that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Resolution No. 78-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE

RELEASE OF CERTAIN BONDS POSTED

WITH THE BOROUGH OF AVALON

Motion made by Council President Covington, seconded by Councilman McCorristin that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Resolution No. 79-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL

OF AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF

STONE HARBOR FOR EMERGENCY WATER

SYSTEM INTERCONNECTION

Motion made by Councilwoman Hudanich, seconded by Councilman Ellenberg that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

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Resolution No. 80-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE

BOROUGH OF AVALON TO ENTER INTO A

COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT WITH

THE MIDDLESEX REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL

SERVICES COMMISSION

Motion made by Councilman McCorristin, seconded by Council Vice President Dean that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Resolution No. 81-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OR

DISPOSAL OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OR

EQUIPMENT WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED

FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES BY THE BOROUGH

OF AVALON TO THE CITY OF OCEAN CITY,

NEW JERSEY, TO WIT, TWO (2) MOWERS

FOR A TOTAL CONSIDERATION OF FIVE

THOUSAND ($5,000.00) DOLLARS

Resolution No. 82-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OR

DISPOSAL OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OR EQUIPMENT

WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC

PURPOSES BY THE BOROUGH OF AVALON TO THE

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT TO WIT,

TWO (2) “FERNO-35-A-ST” AMBULANCE

STRETCHERS AND FIVE (5) “FERNO-STAT-TRAC”

STRETCHER MOUNTING RAILS FOR A NOMINAL

CONSIDERATION OF ONE ($1.00) DOLLAR

Resolution No. 83-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF

SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR

PUBLIC USE WITH AN ONLINE AUCTION SERVICE

Motion made by Council President Covington, seconded by Councilwoman Hudanich that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Resolution No. 84-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTING CLASS

I AND CLASS II SPECIAL OFFICERS FOR THE

BOROUGH OF AVALON

Motion made by Council Vice President Dean, seconded by Councilman McCorristin that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

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Resolution No. 85-2015: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF

BILLS

Motion made by Councilman Ellenberg, seconded by Council President Covington that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Introduction and first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 722-2015:

Motion made by Councilwoman Hudanich, seconded by Council Vice President Dean that Ordinance No. 722-2015 be brought on for first reading by title only.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Borough Clerk to read aloud Ordinance No. 722-2015:

Ordinance No. 722-2015:

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF AVALON, IN THE COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING $2,500,500 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $2,375,475 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

Motion made by Councilwoman Hudanich, seconded by Council Vice President Dean that Ordinance No. 722-2015 be passed on first reading and advertised according to law.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Reports and Recommendations by Mayor and Officials:

Reports of Officials:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator, commended Brenda Camp in the Tax Assessor’s office for completing the Property Tax Assessment and the Information and Records Management courses offered through Rutgers. He also reported the Spring Avalon Newsletter will be delivered to the printer tomorrow and direct mailed to Avalon Property Owners on or about May 1, 2015. He updated Council on the Peermont Substation project and provided information on the upcoming Beachfill project. He explained a notice to proceed for the Beachfill project was issued on April 15th and the contractor has 75 days to complete the work which will be completed by June 29th. He asked Tom Thornton to provide additional information to Council concerning the Beachfill project.

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Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., Borough Engineer, Hatch Mott Macdonald, LLC reported on the Pre-Construction Meeting concerning the upcoming Beachfill project. He said many issues were addressed including emphasis on public safety and indicated there will be two designated full time public safety personnel to keep the public out of the work area. He added daily reports of operations will be provided by the contractor including what work has been completed and how many cubic yards have been dredged per day.

Councilman McCorristin asked if the work would start before Memorial Day?

Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., responded pumping will begin in early June and no work will be occurring over the Memorial Day weekend.

Monthly Reports:

Month of March 2015:

Borough Clerk and Registrar’s Report submitted by Marie J. Hood.

Bureau of Fire Prevention, Licensing, Miscellaneous Construction Collection,

Construction Water and Sewer, Uniform Construction Code, Taxicab, Beach Vehicle Reports submitted by John Tracy.

Code Enforcement Report submitted by Paul E. Short, Sr.

Municipal Court Report submitted by George B. Neidig, Jr.

Police Department Report submitted by Chief William McCormick.

Public Works Department Report submitted by William Macomber.

Recreation Operations Report submitted by Chuck McDonnell.

Tax Collector Control Account Report and Water/Sewer Control Account submitted by Connie L. DiCola.

Zoning Report submitted by Jeffrey R. Hesley.

Motion made by Councilman McCorristin, seconded by Councilman Ellenberg that the reports be approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Pending business.

None.

New business

Paul E. Short, Sr., Code Enforcement Official, reported the Police Unity Tour Chapter II will be starting in Atlantic City and traveling to the Cape May Lewis Ferry and unlike previous years will be biking through Avalon on May 10, 2015 approximately 11:00-11:30 am.

Public Comments:

None.

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Resolution:

Resolution No. 86-2015: A RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT A CLOSED SESSION

PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b OF THE OPEN PUBLIC

MEETINGS ACT PERTAINING TO AVALON ANCHORAGE

MARINA CONDITIONS GOVERNING STREET VACATION

ORDINANCE

Motion made by Council President Covington, seconded by Councilwoman Hudanich that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Motion made by Council Vice President Dean, seconded by Councilman Ellenberg to recess the public portion of the Regular Meeting and go into Closed Session.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Public portion of the Regular Meeting recessed at 8:44 p.m.

Motion made by Councilman Ellenberg, seconded by Councilman McCorristin to adjourn the Closed Session and go back into public portion of the Regular Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

Public Portion of Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:10 p.m.

Present:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator

James A. Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator

Stephen D. Barse, Esquire, Borough Solicitor

Motion made by Councilwoman Hudanich, seconded by Council President Covington to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Dean Aye

Councilman Ellenberg Aye

Councilwoman Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

Council President Covington Aye

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Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marie J. Hood, Borough Clerk

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Charles P. Covington, Council President