A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 4:52 p.m. in the Meeting Room, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, New Jersey.

Attendance: Public - - - - - - - - - - 1 Reporters - - - - - - - - - - 1

The meeting was called to order by Council Vice President McCorristin.

 Roll call: Council President Hudanich Absent

 Councilman Burns Present

 Councilman Covington Present

 Councilman Dean Present

 Council Vice President McCorristin Present

Also present:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator

James Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator

Stephen D. Barse, Esquire, Borough Solicitor

William Macomber, Director of Public Works/Utilities

William McCormick, Chief of Police

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

Council Vice President McCorristin read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

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

Meetings dated June 22, 2016. 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 – October 26, 2016

 Work Session, Agenda Session, Regular Meeting, Closed Session – November 9, 2016

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Public comments regarding Resolutions:

None.

Resolution No. 185-2016: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONCESSION AGREEMENT WITH VIPLY LLC FOR THE ELECTRONIC SALES AND DISTRIBUTION OF BEACH TAGS

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Resolution No. 186-2016: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE TO PRE-SEASON AND SEASON BEACH TAG FEES

 Motion made by Councilman Covington, seconded by Councilman Burns that the resolution be adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Resolution No. 187-2016: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTT MACDONALD TO PROVIDE LAND AND BATHYMETRIC SURVEYING, ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR 8TH STREET JETTY REPAIR FOR A LUMP SUM FEE OF ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND ($195,000.00) DOLLARS

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Resolution No. 188-2016: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Second reading, public hearing and final action on Ordinance No. 750-2016:

 Motion made by Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Covington that Ordinance No. 750-2016 be brought on for second reading, public hearing and final action.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Borough Clerk to read aloud Ordinance No. 750-2016:

Ordinance No.750-2016:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 27 (ZONING) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF AVALON, 2013 PERTAINING TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA)

Council Vice President McCorristin opened the meeting for public hearing on Ordinance No. 750-2016 and asked if there were any questions or comments.

There were no questions or comments.

Motion made by Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Covington that the public hearing be closed

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

 Motion made by Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Covington that Ordinance No. 750-2016 be finally adopted, submitted to the Mayor for approval and advertised according to law.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Second reading, public hearing and final action on Ordinance No. 752-2016:

 Motion made by Councilman Covington, seconded by Councilman Burns that Ordinance No. 752-2016 be brought on for second reading, public hearing and final action.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Borough Clerk to read aloud Ordinance No. 752-2016:

Ordinance No.752-2016:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19 (FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF AVALON, 2013 PERTAINING TO FLOOD ELEVATION FOR ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND ADDING CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

Council Vice President McCorristin opened the meeting for public hearing on Ordinance No. 752-2016 and asked if there were any questions or comments.

There were no questions or comments.

Motion made by Councilman Covington, seconded by Councilman Burns that the public hearing be closed.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

 Motion made by Councilman Covington, seconded by Councilman Burns that Ordinance No. 752-2016 be finally adopted, submitted to the Mayor for approval and advertised according to law.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Reports and Recommendations by Mayor and Officials:

Reports of Officials:

Scott Wahl read the following report:

96th Street Bridge: County Engineer Dale Foster reports that the 96th Street Bridge in Stone Harbor will be open sometime this evening. There could be a weight limit of 15 tons associated with the use of the bridge which would continue to bring some heavier truck traffic through Avalon, including concrete trucks, the NJ Transit bus, and possibly school busses. Mr. Foster will have more information on this for the public.

61st Street Paving: Mobilization will take place on Monday, November 28th for the repaving of 61st Street between Ocean Drive and Dune Drive in Avalon. This is a project being financed by Atlantic City Electric following the construction of the Peermont Substation. Letters have been provided to property owners in the affected area, and notification is on the Borough’s website. There will be some equipment in the area and the work will be completed in advance of Christmas weekend. Access will remain for residents at all times, but at times, parking in front of a home may not be possible while they work on that specific side of the street. In addition, Mott MacDonald is scheduling a pre-construction meeting with Perna Construction next week to discuss the Fifth Avenue/60th Street project.

Thin Blue Line: At the direction of Mayor Pagliughi, Avalon has joined the effort to show support for our police and public safety community with the “Thin Blue Line”. This program paints the middle of a double yellow line blue, typically near a police building, to show that the community enthusiastically supports our police. Avalon’s project began yesterday with the line just west of the 30th Street and Ocean Drive intersection painted blue leading into town; the traffic island between Ocean and Dune Drive on 30th Street with the current yellow curb will have a thin blue line painted on the asphalt around it. The work is being conducted by the Avalon Department of Public Works.

ACMJIF: I attended the JIF meeting in Mays Landing Monday afternoon where Avalon received its dividend on surplus generated by the JIF. I am pleased to report that this year Avalon is receiving a dividend of $57,892 this year. This dividend will be applied to our assessment installment which is due on February 15, 2017, as has been past practice by the Borough.

Avalon Library: We would be remiss if we did not congratulate the Avalon Free Public Library for receiving a five star rating for the ninth consecutive year from Library Journal. Only three other libraries in New Jersey received that ranking. Many thanks to Erin Brown, her staff, and to Councilman McCorristin for their tireless efforts with the Library.

Avalon in National Report: ABT Associates/Kresge Foundation has released a new report called “*Climate Adaptation: The State of Practice in U.S. Communities”.* The report included a visit to Avalon, New Jersey as Senior Analyst Alexis St. Juliana met with Avalon Mayor Martin Pagliughi, Avalon Business Administrator Scott Wahl, and Avalon Deputy Emergency Management Director Harry DeButts to discuss beach and dune management practices in the Borough. The report was released on Wednesday, November 16th during a roundtable discussion at the Georgetown Climate Center in Washington, DC. Various adaptation actions were profiled in communities around the United States, including in Avalon.

Councilman Covington asked what the reasoning was for the recent road construction on Ocean Drive near 30th Street.

Councilman Burns explained the Cumberland County MUA ordered the work to be completed to replace faulty water and sewer valves prior to the County project which will be reconstructing Ocean Drive being completed.

Monthly Reports:

Month of October, 2016:

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 & Beach Vehicle Reports submitted by John Tracy.

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

Municipal Court Report submitted by Deborah Scott.

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 & Water/Sewer Control Account reports submitted by Alexis Coan.

Zoning Report submitted by Jeffrey R. Hesley.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Pending business.

None

New business

None

Public Comments:

None.

Motion made by Councilman Covington, seconded by Councilman Burns to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Councilman Dean Aye

 Council Vice President McCorristin Aye

 Council President Hudanich Absent

Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

 Respectfully submitted,

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 Marie J. Hood, Borough Clerk

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 Nancy M. Hudanich, Council President