A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 5:35 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 President Deever.

Roll call: Council President Deever Present

Council Vice President Covington Present
Councilman Dean Absent
Councilwoman Hudanich Present
Councilman McCorristin Absent

#### Also present:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator
James Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator
Stephen D. Barse, Esquire, Borough Solicitor
Paul Short, Code Enforcement Official
William Macomber, Director of Public Works/Utilities
Police Chief Jeffrey R. Christopher
Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., Borough Engineer, Mott Macdonald
James Craft, Chief Financial Officer
Steven Camp, Assistant Director of Public Works/Utilities
Dr. Edward Mahaney, Mahaney Consulting Group

Council President Deever read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

Notice of this Regular Meeting was included in the Annual Schedule of Meetings dated June 27, 2018. It was given to the news media and posted on the Official Bulletin Board as required by law.

### Public comments regarding Resolutions:

None.

Resolution No. 116-2018: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE

ACCEPTANCE OF ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

FOR RECREATION ACTIVITIES

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Covington Aye

Councilman Dean Absent
Councilwoman Hudanich Aye
Councilman McCorristin Absent
Council President Deever Aye

Resolution No. 117-2018: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF

ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS,

(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87), NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR 2018

**CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT** 

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Covington Aye

Councilman Dean Absent
Councilwoman Hudanich Aye
Councilman McCorristin Absent
Council President Deever Aye

Resolution No. 118-2018: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE

ORDER NO. 2 FOR 76<sup>TH</sup> STREET SANITARY

SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS,

CONTRACT 56

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Covington Aye

Councilman Dean Absent
Councilwoman Hudanich Aye
Councilman McCorristin Absent
Council President Deever Aye

Resolution No. 119-2018: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTT

MACDONALD TO PROVIDE SURVEYING AND BASE MAP PREPARATION, DESIGN AND PREPARE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS

AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF 35<sup>TH</sup> STREET

BETWEEN FIRST AVENUE AND DUNE DRIVE FOR A LUMP SUM FEE OF TWENTY-EIGHT

THOUSAND (\$28,000.00) DOLLARS

Resolution No. 120-2018: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTT

MACDONALD TO PROVIDE SURVEYING AND BASE MAP PREPARATION, DESIGN AND PREPARE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS

AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR

RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS STREETS FOR A LUMP SUM FEE OF SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$65,000.00) DOLLARS

Resolution No. 121-2018: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTT

MACDONALD TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING

SERVICES FOR GRAVEN'S ISLAND CONFINED DISPOSAL FACILITY (CDF) PERMANENT ACCESS ROAD FOR A LUMP SUM FEE OF THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND

(\$36,000.00) DOLLARS

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Covington Aye

Councilman DeanAbsentCouncilwoman HudanichAyeCouncilman McCorristinAbsentCouncil President DeeverAye

Resolution No. 122-2018: A RESOLUTION RE: COMPLIANCE OF THE

GOVERNING BODY WITH THE

PROMULGATION OF THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Covington Aye

Councilman Dean Absent
Councilwoman Hudanich Aye
Councilman McCorristin Absent
Council President Deever Aye

Resolution No. 123-2018: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF

**BILLS** 

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Covington Aye

Councilman Dean Absent
Councilwoman Hudanich Aye
Councilman McCorristin Absent
Council President Deever Aye

#### Reports of Officials:

## Scott Wahl read the following report:

Coastal Barrier Resources Act: On Tuesday, the communities of Stone Harbor, Avalon, and North Wildwood sent a joint response in for public comment on the proposed expansion of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act Unit that applies to Hereford Inlet. As you recall, there was a proposal that not only would result in an expansion of the Unit, but the continued prohibition of using the millions of cubic yards of sand placed on local beaches for resiliency that drifts south and expands and enhances an environmental treasure, Stone Harbor Point. There have been months of dialogue involving two members of the United States Senate, two members of Congress, our beach advocate, Howard Marlowe, and our local experts Dr. Stewart Farrell, Joe Lomax, and Mott MacDonald. Avalon took the lead on this response and received tremendous support from our neighboring communities. The final draft of the response was cleaned up and edited by Jim Waldron, and submitted electronically yesterday. Our efforts have also been recognized and supported by the NJDEP and the NJDOT, among other agencies. Our communication in opposition to the expansion is based on science and fact, and specifically calls for the determination that yes, sand may be taken out of the Inlet for beach fill projects under clear exceptions noted in the Act. Fish and Wildlife has a past practice of selectively using the exceptions which threatens our 50 year beach program, threatens future resiliency efforts, and cost taxpayers millions of dollars in expenditures that can be avoided. To make sure no stone is unturned, I have a meeting with Senator Jeff Van Drew tomorrow at 4pm to discuss the issue, present our opposition, and future steps forward.

# **Public Comments:**

None.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Council Vice President Covington Aye

Councilman DeanAbsentCouncilwoman HudanichAyeCouncilman McCorristinAbsentCouncil President DeeverAye

Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Deever, Council President