A Work Session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Attendance: Public ----- 2 Reporters ----- 1

The Meeting was called to order by Council President Hudanich.

Pledge of allegiance.

Roll call:Council President Hudanich<br/>Councilman DeeverPresent<br/>Present<br/>Present<br/>Councilwoman JuzaitisPresent<br/>Present<br/>Present<br/>Present<br/>Councilman McCorristin<br/>Councilman WiermanPresent<br/>Present

Also present:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator
James Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator
Nicole Curio, 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

Council President Hudanich read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

Notice of this Work Session was included in the Annual Schedule of Meetings dated June 27, 2019. It was given to the news media and posted on the Official Bulletin Board as required by law. Notice of the change of meeting structure to a telephone conference call was included in a Notice of Meeting Change dated May 28, 2020. That notice was given to the news media, posted on the doors of the municipal building, and posted on the Borough website, as required by law.

## <u>Discussion regarding Resolution scheduling a public hearing to release a deed restriction previously imposed upon the property known as Block 18.04, Lot 51, 219 19th Street.</u>

<u>James Waldron</u> explained this is to schedule a public hearing, similar to that which was just concluded. It is recommended that Council hold this Public Hearing on the next Council Meeting date at 3:55 p.m.

After a brief discussion, Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be prepared for today's Regular Meeting.

# <u>Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing the purchase of a 2020 Ford F-150 through the Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Pricing Agreement.</u>

Scott Wahl reported this truck was included in the 2020 Municipal Budget for purchase by the Recreation Department. The truck that is currently assigned to the Recreation Department requires constant mechanical maintenance, and is in need of replacement. The purposes of this Recreation vehicle are for supply pick-up and transport, equipment deliveries and pick-ups, and daily inspections of playgrounds and buildings.

Council President Hudanich asked if the old truck will be sold on GovDeals.com.

Scott Wahl replied yes.

After a brief discussion, Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be prepared for the July 8, 2020 Regular Meeting.

### <u>Discussion regarding Resolution establishing standing committees and designating appointments of Borough Council.</u>

After a brief discussion, Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be prepared for the July 6, 2020 Reorganization Meeting.

#### Discussion regarding Borough Hall Roof Replacement construction schedule.

<u>Scott Wahl</u> announced the Borough Hall roof has reached the end of its usable life. In addition to the age of the roof, high winds and heavy rains have caused several intrusions of water into the building, which provides an unsafe condition. This project has been included in the Municipal Budget.

Thomas Thornton reviewed the bid schedule to Council, and noted Mott MacDonald conducted an analysis of all four Borough roofs, which are in various states of deterioration. If Council agrees, it is recommended that Mott MacDonald's design phase should include all four roofs within one bid specification. The design phase and the preparation of construction and technical specifications have been completed. It is estimated to be a fifteen-week construction period, with fall 2020 being an ideal time to start the job. He recommended advertising for bids within the next week, holding a pre-bid meeting in late July, and receiving bids on August 12, 2020. Such a schedule would allow a report on those bids to be presented to Council at the August 26, 2020 Work Session, with potential award of bid at the September 9, 2020 Regular Meeting. To clarify, this bid includes the Administration, Senior Center, and Main Borough Hall roofs.

Councilman McCorristin asked about some specificities within the project scope.

<u>Thomas Thornton</u> stated he is not prepared to discuss the project scope in detail, as the work completed for this project to date was primarily completed by the architect within Mott MacDonald.

<u>Council President Hudanich</u> noted Council could receive more information regarding this project at the July 8, 2020 Work Session.

Council agreed to potentially discuss this matter further at the July 8, 2020 Work Session.

#### Update regarding the 8th Street Jetty Improvement.

Scott Wahl reminded all that the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Jetty was severely damaged during Winter Storm Jonas in 2016. A side solar study of the Jetty found additional unforeseen damage. The Borough of Avalon received a FEMA grant in the amount of \$4,000,000.00, which was a 75% Federal and 25% local match. Through this project, there has been extreme cooperation from the contractor with no substantive incidents to speak of regarding safety. A Change Order was also done to move some sand that had accumulated on one side of the Jetty, which contradicted the flow of sand from North to South.

<u>Thomas Thornton</u> added Council has also approved a Change Order for the potential demobilization of equipment before summer, which was approved by Council in the amount of \$600,000.00. This amount will not need to be expended, assuming Council agrees with the contractor continuing work for 2 to 3 weeks following the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend for stone work. A large piece of equipment was damaged and had to be taken off-site for repairs. From that point on, the contractor needs to complete site restoration such as sifting sand, removing residual stones from the beach, clean-up and replacing the timber ramp at 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Council is being asked to consider allowing the contractor to work for the additional few weeks to complete the project after the holiday weekend.

Scott Wahl noted there will be no construction activity from July 3 to July 5, 2020.

After discussion, Council agreed to allow the construction activity to continue for the requested time frame.

### **Public Comments**

None.

Motion made by Councilwoman Juzaitis, seconded by Councilman McCorristin to adjourn the Work Session.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Deever Aye
Councilwoman Juzaitis Aye
Councilman McCorristin Aye
Councilman Wierman Aye
Council President Hudanich Aye

Work Session adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Danielle Nollett, Borough Clerk

John M. McCorristin, Council President