

June 8, 2022

A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 4:21 p.m. in the Meeting Room, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, New Jersey.

In-Person Attendance: Public - - - - - 0

Reporters - - - - - 0

Remote Attendance: Public - - - - - 4

Reporters - - - - - 1

The meeting was called to order by Council President Juzaitis.

<u>Roll call:</u>	Council President Juzaitis	Present
	Councilwoman Coskey	Present
	Councilman McCorristin	Present
	Councilman McDermott	Present
	Councilman Wierman	Present

Also present:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator
James Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator
Nicole Curio, Esquire, Borough Solicitor
Paul Short, Code Enforcement Official
William McCormick, Director of Public Works/Utilities
Jeffrey Christopher, Police Chief
Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., Borough Engineer, Mott MacDonald

Council President Juzaitis read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

Notice of this Regular Meeting was included the annual Schedule of Meetings dated June 23, 2021. It was given to the news media and posted on the Official Bulletin Board as required by law.

Minutes:

Work Session, Regular Meeting, Closed Session – May 25, 2022

Motion made by Councilman Wierman, seconded by Councilman McCorristin that the minutes be approved as submitted.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Public comments regarding Resolutions:

There were no questions or comments.

<u>Resolution No. 119-2022:</u>	A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTT MACDONALD TO PROVIDE SERVICE LINE INVENTORY SUPPORT, SERVICE LINE INVENTORY REFINEMENTS, AND UNKNOWN SERVICE LINE INVESTIGATION WORKPLAN FOR THE LUMP SUM AMOUNT OF FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$47,500.00)
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Motion made by Councilman McCorristin, seconded by Council President Juzaitis that the resolution be adopted.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

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Resolution No. 120-2022: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR 2022 BEACH RENOURISHMENT PROJECT

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

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Resolution No. 121-2022: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS, (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87), NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL FOR COPS IN SHOPS SUMMER SHORE INITIATIVE 2022

Motion made by Councilman McDermott, seconded by Council President Juzaitis that the resolution be adopted.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Resolution No. 122-2022: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF AVALON TO PROCURE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE VBA VISION PLAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF BOROUGH EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$22,000.00) PER YEAR

Motion made by Councilwoman Coskey, seconded by Council President Juzaitis that the resolution be adopted.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Resolution No. 123-2022: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Introduction and first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 844-2022:

Motion made by Councilman Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 844-2022 be brought on for first reading by title only.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Borough Clerk read aloud Ordinance No. 844-2022:

Ordinance No. 844-2022:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE BOROUGH CODE PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE OF STREET OPENING PERMITS

Motion made by Councilman Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 844-2022 be passed on first reading and advertised according to law.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Introduction and first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 845-2022:

Motion made by Councilman Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 845-2022 be brought on for first reading by title only.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Borough Clerk read aloud Ordinance No. 845-2022:

Ordinance No. 845-2022:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE AVALON BOROUGH CODE PERTAINING TO THE REORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENTS GENERALLY AND TO THE PLAN OF REORGANIZATION FOR THE DIVISION OF RESCUE SQUAD-EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND THE REORGANIZATION OF THE DIVISION OF RECREATION

Motion made by Councilman Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 845-2022 be passed on first reading and advertised according to law.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Reports of Officials:

Scott Wahl announced the beach renourishment project will be done hauling sand on the beaches tomorrow, June 9, 2022 with final grading, equipment and material removal taking place thereafter. It is expected that the project will be fully complete no later than Monday, June 13, 2022. He commended Mount Construction for completing a safe project, and Thomas Thornton and Shawn Carr from Mott MacDonald for their exemplary oversight of the project. He informed Council at the June 22, 2022 Council Meeting, presentations will be made by the Atlantic County Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) regarding policy renewal, and by Administration concerning a uniform trash cart system for the Borough. He expressed happiness to report the Borough is now officially out to bid for the trash contract, with a pre-bid meeting scheduled for June 23, 2022.

William McCormick reported in the fall of 2021, Public Works discovered a sinkhole at the end of 8th Street and the bay, near Windward Harbor, which has gradually increased in size. Upon further inspection, Public Works discovered an extreme unsafe condition. A work plan was designed by Thomas Thornton, and a quote was received from a contractor, which was higher than the bid threshold. After discussion, the Public Works Department volunteered to complete the work. After a two-day construction period, the area has been repaired, graded, and formed. The project will be complete when an outside mason contractor is able to pour the sidewalks in the area and the two sets of removed steps are reinstalled. As of now, the area is safe for the public.

Thomas Thornton commended the Public Works Department for their hard work and dedication to Avalon, which helped save the Borough from a public safety issue and a large expense.

Chief Christopher noted as Council is aware, the Avalon Police Department is accredited through the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police. Recently, an assessment for the fourth year of accreditation took place. Since that assessment, a preliminary determination has indicated that the Avalon Police Department is in 100% compliance in over 130 standards. Receiving a fourth consecutive accreditation puts the Avalon Police Department in an elite class of three percent of the Police Departments in the state of New Jersey. The Commission Hearing is scheduled for next week, with an official determination forthcoming.

Pending Business:

None.

New Business:

None.

Public Comments:

None.

Resolution No. 124-2022: 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 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING CAPTAIN OF POLICE

Motion made by Councilwoman Coskey, seconded by Councilman McCorristin that the resolution be adopted.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Motion made by Councilwoman Coskey, seconded by Councilman McCorristin to recess the public portion of the Regular Meeting and go into Closed Session.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Council President Juzaitis announced official action may be taken after the Closed Session.

Public portion of Regular Meeting recessed at 4:35 p.m.

Public Portion of Regular Meeting reconvened at 4:43 p.m.

Present:

Council President Juzaitis
Councilwoman Coskey
Councilman McCorristin
Councilman McDermott
Councilman Wierman
James A. Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator
Scott Wahl, Business Administrator
Nicole Curio, Esquire, Gruccio, Pepper, DeSanto & Ruth, P.A

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Resolution No. 125-2022: A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF AVALON AND POLICE CAPTAIN FOR A THREE (3) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JUNE 1, 2022 THROUGH MAY 31, 2025

Motion made by Councilman Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that the resolution be adopted.

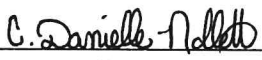
<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Motion made by Councilman Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>	Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
	Councilman McCorristin	Aye
	Councilman McDermott	Aye
	Councilman Wierman	Aye
	Council President Juzaitis	Aye

Regular Meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


C. Danielle Nollett, Borough Clerk


Barbara L. Juzaitis, Council President

