

January 25, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 4:43 p.m. in the Meeting Room, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, New Jersey.

In-Person Attendance: Public - - - - - 1 Reporters - - - - - 0

Remote Attendance: Public - - - - - 5 Reporters - - - - - 1

The meeting was called to order by Council President Wierman.

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

Also present:

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

Council President Wierman read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

Notice of this Regular Meeting was included the annual Schedule of Meetings dated June 22, 2022. It was given to the news media and posted on the Official Bulletin Board as required by law.

Minutes:

Work Session, Regular Meeting – January 11, 2023

Motion made by Councilwoman Coskey, seconded by Councilman McDermott that the minutes be approved as submitted.

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

Public comments regarding Resolutions:

None.

<u>Resolution No.</u>	<u>26-2023:</u>	A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BAY ATLANTIC SYMPHONY OF BRIDGETON, NJ FOR A CONCERT ON JULY 4, 2023
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Motion made by Councilwoman Juzaitis, seconded by Councilman McCorristin that the resolution be adopted.

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

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Resolution No. 27-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDORS FROM JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023

Resolution No. 28-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USAGE OF CONTRACTS WITH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY (ESCNJ) #65-MCESCCPS COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM FOR THE 2023 CALENDAR YEAR

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

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

Resolution No. 29-2023: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CERTIFIED LIST OF INDIVIDUALS QUALIFYING FOR 2022 LENGTH OF SERVICE PROGRAM CREDITS

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

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

Resolution No. 30-2023: A RESOLUTION GRANTING A 2023 AMUSEMENT GAMES LICENSE TO TWO BITS AMUSEMENTS, INC.FOR PREMISES LOCATED AT 2805-07-09 BOARDWALK, AVALON, NEW JERSEY

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

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

Resolution No. 31-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR 2021 DUNE DRIVE REPLANTING 19TH STREET – 34TH STREET, CONTRACT NO. 21-02

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

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

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Resolution No. 32-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH R.A. WALTERS AND SON OF CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NJ FOR CONTRACT NO. M-132, RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS BULKHEADS IN THE AMOUNT OF SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$681,100.00)

Resolution No. 33-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTT MACDONALD TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH CONTRACT NO. M-132, RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS BULKHEADS ON A REIMBURSABLE BASIS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED EIGHTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$88,400.00)

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

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

Resolution No. 34-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF AVALON TO ENTER A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF STONE HARBOR FOR A DATA MANAGEMENT SECURITY PLAN AND DECLARING THAT THE TERMS OF SUCH SECURITY PLAN SHALL NOT BE PUBLICLY DISCLOSED PURSUANT TO OPRA (OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT) EXEMPTIONS OR OTHERWISE

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

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

Resolution No. 35-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CME ENGINEERING TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH 8TH STREET SPORTS COMPLEX IMPROVEMENTS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$33,500.00)

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

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

Resolution No. 36-2023: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

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

Ordinance:
Introduction and first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 855-2023:

Motion made by Councilwoman Juzaitis, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 855-2023 be brought on for reading by title only.

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

Borough Clerk read aloud Ordinance No. 855-2023:

Ordinance No. 855-2023:

AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING APPROVED REORGANIZATION PLANS AND SUPPLEMENTS THERETO FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND DIVISIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF CERTAIN NEW POSITIONS AND/OR JOB TITLES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ADMINISTRATION; REVENUE AND FINANCE; AND PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

Motion made by Councilwoman Juzaitis, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 855-2023 be passed on first reading and advertised according to law.

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

Introduction and first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 856-2023:

Motion made by Councilwoman Coskey, seconded by Council President Wierman that Ordinance No. 856-2023 be brought on for reading by title only.

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

Borough Clerk read aloud Ordinance No. 856-2023:

Ordinance No. 856-2023:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 19 (FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF AVALON AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 849-2022 PERTAINING TO DEFINITIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES

Motion made by Councilwoman Coskey, seconded by Council President Wierman that Ordinance No. 856-2023 be passed on first reading and advertised according to law.

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

Second reading, public hearing and final action on Ordinance No. 852-2023:

Motion made by Councilman McCorristin, seconded by Council President Wierman that Ordinance No. 852-2023 be brought on for second reading, public hearing, and final action.

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

Borough Clerk read aloud Ordinance No. 852-2023:

Ordinance No. 852-2023:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 834-2022 WHICH AMENDED AND RESTATED ORDINANCE 829-2021 WHICH AMENDED CHAPTER 27 (ZONING) OF THE AVALON BOROUGH CODE PERTAINING TO FLOOR AREA RATIO (FAR)

Council President Wierman opened the meeting for public hearing on Ordinance No. 852-2023 and asked if there were any questions or comments.

Motion made by Councilman McCorristin, seconded by Council President Wierman that the public hearing be closed.

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

Motion made by Councilman McCorristin, seconded by Council President Wierman that Ordinance No. 852-2023 be finally adopted, submitted to the Mayor for approval and advertised according to law.

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

Second reading, public hearing and final action on Ordinance No. 853-2023:

Motion made by Council President Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 853-2023 be brought on for second reading, public hearing, and final action.

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

Borough Clerk read aloud Ordinance No. 853-2023:

Ordinance No. 853-2023:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 27 (ZONING) OF THE AVALON BOROUGH CODE TO REZONE CERTAIN AREAS AND TO REVISE THE ZONING MAP OF THE BOROUGH

Council President Wierman opened the meeting for public hearing on Ordinance No. 853-2023 and asked if there were any questions or comments.

Motion made by Council President Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that the public hearing be closed.

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

Motion made by Council President Wierman, seconded by Councilman McDermott that Ordinance No. 853-2023 be finally adopted, submitted to the Mayor for approval and advertised according to law.

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

Reports and Recommendations by Mayor and Officials:
Reports of Officials:

Scott Wahl read the following report:
Avalon participated in a meeting on the upcoming Avalon hydraulic beach fill project on Wednesday, January 25th, 2023. The project is sponsored by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and the boroughs of Avalon and Stone Harbor. In attendance representing Avalon were Avalon Business Administrator Scott Wahl; Avalon Public Works Director William McCormick; and Avalon municipal engineer Thomas Thornton from Mott MacDonald.

The base bid amount for the beachfill project is \$28,825,075 for both communities. The contract has been awarded to Great Lakes Dredge and Dock Company of Illinois; the dredge “Texas” will be used for this project. The volume of sand in the base bid is 231,000 cubic yards, with four bid options to Avalon for which the Borough intends to take advantage of; with the bid options, the total amount of sand is anticipated to be 581,000 cubic yards of sand. The sand will be placed in the prime erosion zone from 8th Street south. Sand will be placed in the prime erosion zone in the north end of the community along 2,700 linear feet of beachfront. The fill area begins at 8th Street and runs south to 32nd Street. Much of the fill will be placed north of 20th Street as the extreme north end beach was eliminated during a nor’easter storm event in October, 2022. The stretch of the fill is wholly dependent on the condition of the beach at the time of the beach fill project and the amount of sand available.

It is very important to note that the start and end dates of a beach fill project are subject to change, and often do change due to weather conditions and mechanical maintenance of the dredge. The tentative schedule for Avalon as of January 25, 2023 will begin waterside and beachside mobilization of equipment in Avalon on March 10; -surveys on March 1; the actual start of the beachfill project on March 20; and the completion of the base bid (231,000 cy of sand) by March 30. However, the Borough intends to take advantage of all four bid options to add extra sand to the project, which brings the tentative completion date to April 30. All sand for the entire project will be removed from the Townsend’s Inlet borrow area off 8th Street with a landing pipe running over the 8th Street Jetty. When the Avalon project is completed, the Stone Harbor portion of the project will begin. Again, these are very tentative dates as both severe weather and mechanical malfunctions play an important role in timing of beach fills start and completion dates.

The existence of this hydraulic beach fill project means there will be no sand backpassing project on the Avalon beaches this spring. The hydraulic beach fill operation occurs 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays. While a certain beach is being filled, there is a mandatory 1,000 foot closure of the beach for safety reasons. Avalon’s project will be finished before Stone Harbor’s project begins. When Stone Harbor’s project begins, two offshore booster pumps will assist pumping sand from Townsend’s Inlet through a submerged pipeline to Stone Harbor’s beach fill area.

The goal of every hydraulic beach fill project is to restore the beach to a federal beach template. Various dune, crossover, and dune grass work is also part of this project.

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Avalon will provide frequent updates on our municipal website during the length of the Avalon portion of this project. In advance of the project, Avalon Councilmembers John McCorristin and Sam Wierman met with Steve Hafner from the Coastal Research Institute at Stockton University to discuss this, and future, Avalon beach management practices and policies.

Monthly Reports:

Month of December, 2023

Borough Clerk and Registrar's Report submitted by C. Danielle Nollett.

Bureau of Fire Prevention, Bureau of Licensing, Miscellaneous Construction Collection, Construction Water and Sewer, Uniform Construction Code & Taxicab Reports submitted by R. Edward Dean.

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

Municipal Court Report submitted by Wendy Torroni.

Municipal Engineering Report submitted by Thomas Thornton.

Police Department Report submitted by Chief Jeffrey Christopher.

Recreation Revenue Report submitted by Chuck McDonnell.

Tax Collector & Water Sewer Control Account Reports submitted by Eleanor Cifaloglio.

Zoning Report submitted by Amanda Seltzer.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
Councilwoman Juzaitis	Aye
Councilman McCorristin	Aye
Councilman McDermott	Aye
Council President Wierman	Aye

Pending business:

None.

New business:

None.

Public Comments:

None.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

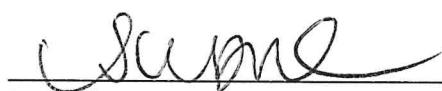
Councilwoman Coskey	Aye
Councilman McCorristin	Aye
Councilman McDermott	Aye
Councilman Wierman	Aye
Council President Wierman	Aye

Regular Meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



C. Danielle Nollett, Borough Clerk



Samuel D. Wierman, Council President