



**REORGANIZATION MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE MAY, NJ
Tuesday, January 2, 2018 1:00 P.M.**

The Reorganization Meeting of City Council of the City of Cape May was called to order by City Mayor, Clarence F. Lear III at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, January 2, 2018 in the Cape May City Hall Auditorium. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Patricia Harbora, City Clerk announced that under the Open Public Meetings Law, notice of this meeting was sent to the Cape May Star and Wave and The Press of Atlantic City and a copy of the agenda was delivered to each Member of Council and was posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board.

Present: Councilmember Roger M. Furlin
Councilmember Patricia Gray Hendricks
Mayor Clarence F. Lear, III
Deputy Mayor Shaine P. Meier
Councilmember Beatrice Gauvry Pessagno

Also Present: City Solicitor Frank Corrado
City Manager Neil Young
City Clerk Patricia Harbora
Deputy City Clerk Erin Burke

Minutes do not reflect the actual order in which the events occurred.

INVOCATION

Reverend Harold Harris, Senior Pastor – Macedonia Baptist Church

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for Deputy Mayor:

Councilmember Pessagno nominates Deputy Mayor Shaine P. Meier for Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councilmember Furlin.

01-01-2018 Resolution for Election of Deputy Mayor

Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

Oath of Office administered to Deputy Mayor by City Clerk Patricia Harbora

02-01-2018 Resolution Appointing City Solicitor and Authorizing the Execution of Professional Services Contract for Same – Frank L. Corrado, Esq.

Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

03-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Deputy City Clerk – Erin Burke

Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

Nominations for Various Board and Commission Liaison Members:

04-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Class III Planning Board Member – Hendricks
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Abstain **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

05-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Washington Street Mall Business Improvement District Management Company, Inc., Board Member – Pessagno
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Abstain **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

06-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of City of Cape May Historical Preservation Commission Board Liaison – Furlin
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Abstain **Lear:** Yes

07-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of City of Cape May Shade Tree Commission Liaison – Meier
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Abstain **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

08-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of City of Cape May Environmental Commission Liaison – Hendricks
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Abstain **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

Oath of Office administered to Board and Commission Liaison Members by City Clerk Harbora

RESOLUTIONS

09-01-2018 Resolution Designating Official City of Cape May Physicians – Dr. William Weisberg
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

10-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Municipal Public Defender and Authorizing the Execution of Professional Services Contract for same – Michael A. Sorensen, Esq.
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

11-01-2018 Resolution Establishing 2018 Business Hours for City Hall in the City of Cape May
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

12-01-2018 Resolution Designating Meeting Day and Place for Council Meetings of the City of Cape May
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

13-01-2018 Resolution Establishing 2018 Scheduled Holidays for the City of Cape May
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

14-01-2018 Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Issue Bingo and Raffle Licenses throughout the Year to Qualified Organizations
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

15-01-2018 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Assessor to File a Petition of Appeal and Stipulation of Settlement for the Tax Year 2017 with the Cape May County Board of Taxation
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

- 16-01-2018 A Resolution Approving an Agreement between the City of Cape May and Mark Blauer for Consulting Services FY 2018 Public Facilities Grant
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 17-01-2018 Resolution Approving an Agreement between the City of Cape May and James M. Rutala Associates, LLC for Consulting Services
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 18-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Members to the City of Cape May Hazard Mitigation Planning and Floodplain Management Public Information Group
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 19-01-2018 Resolution Approving Professional Services Agreement - Municipal Engineer – Mott MacDonald, LLC.
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 20-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Risk Management Consultant Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund –Michael McLaughlin, Marsh & McLennan Agency
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 21-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Engineer for Inspection of Projects Approved by Cape May City Planning and/or Zoning Board of Adjustment – Polistina & Associates, LLC
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 22-01-2018 Resolution Approving the 2018 Temporary Budget
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 23-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Fund Commissioner – Joseph Picard
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 24-01-2018 Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement for Professional Services with Gruccio, Pepper, Desanto & Ruth, PA
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 25-01-2018 Resolution Designating Official Newspapers for the Year 2018 in the City of Cape May – Cape May Star and Wave; Cape May County Herald; and the Press of Atlantic City
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 26-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Bond Counsel, McManimon, Scotland & Baumann LLC as the Cape May City Bond Counsel and Authorizing the Execution of Professional Services Contract for same

Motion is made by Deputy Mayor Meier to **amend Resolution 26-01-2018**, seconded by Councilmember Pessagno, to add the wording “for the calendar year 2018” to section 1, page 1.

Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

Motion is then made by Deputy Mayor Meier, seconded by Councilmember Pessagno, to **adopt Resolution 26-01-2018 as amended.**

- Motion:** Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 27-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Alternate Fund Commissioner – Erin Burke
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 28-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Louis J. Belasco, Jr., P.J.M.C., As Judge of the Municipal Court
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 29-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of Municipal Auditor and Authorizing the Execution of Professional Services Contract for same – Leon P. Costello, CPA, RMA
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 30-01-2018 Resolution for the 2018 Debt Service Budget
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 31-01-2018 Resolution Approving list of Peddlers' Designated Locations – Erin Burke
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 32-01-2018 Resolution Concerning Deferred School Tax Levy – City of Cape May School District
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 33-01-2018 Resolution Concerning Deferred School Tax Levy – City of Cape May – Lower Cape May Regional School District
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 34-01-2018 Resolution Approving the 2018 Cash Management plan for the City of Cape May
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 35-01-2018 Resolution for Appointment of City Prosecutor and Authorizing the Execution of Professional Services Contract for same – Kyle D. Weinberg, Esq.
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 36-01-2018 Resolution for Appointing Members of Various Boards and Commissions of the City of Cape May
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 37-01-2018 Resolution Designating Public Agency Compliance Officer – Neil Young
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 38-01-2018 Resolution Awarding Contract - FY 2017 NJDCA Small Cities Block Program/Various ADA Improvements - Decatur Street – Charles Marandino, LLC
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes
- 39-01-2018 Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement for Professional Services with Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C.
Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

40-01-2018 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Certain Approved State Contract Vendor for Contracting Units Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:11-12a

Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

41-01-2018 Payment of Bills

Motion: Meier **Second:** Pessagno **Pessagno:** Yes **Meier:** Yes **Hendricks:** Yes **Furlin:** Yes **Lear:** Yes

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS:

Historic Preservation Commission:

Tom Carroll, Vice Chairperson – Class B

Term expiration: 12/31/2020

Tom Cataldo, Alternate II

Term expiration 12/31/2019

State of the City Address by Mayor Clarence F. Lear, III (see attached)

COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

City Manager Neil Young states that he looks forward to continued progress in the upcoming year.

Councilmember Pessagno asks those present to always keep in mind that there are more things that unite us than divide us.

Deputy Mayor Meier offers thanks for the nomination to Deputy Mayor, and states that he looks forward to working with everyone this new year.

Councilmember Furlin emphasizes that he is lucky to live in Cape May and serve on City Council.

Councilmember Hendricks recognizes the accomplishments of 2017, and applauds the new “Walk and Talk” program being implemented at Convention Hall.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Evelyn Lovitz, 1012 Cape May Avenue – Ms. Lovitz announces that Cape May City is one of only four municipalities that achieved “Cape Island Wildlife Habitat Community” status from the National Wildlife Federation.

Christine Miller, 535 Bank Street – Ms. Miller discusses the potential plans for redevelopment within the City, voicing her opposition and concerns. Councilmember Pessagno encourages everyone present to attend the Planning Board meeting on January 9, 2018, during which the potential redevelopment will be considered.

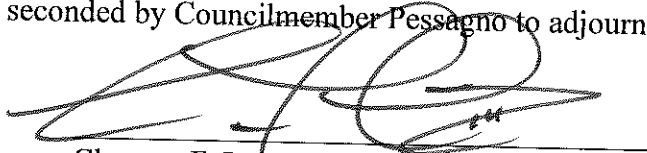
Dillon Mullock, 301 Howard Street – Mr. Mullock voices his dismay at not being reappointed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for 2018, and the manner in which he was made aware of this decision. Councilmember Pessagno states that she advocated strongly for him to remain on the Zoning Board.

BENEDICTION

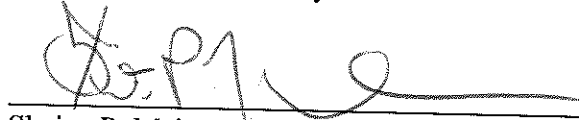
Reverend Dr. John P. Mitchell, Rector – Episcopal Church of the Advent

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Meier, seconded by Councilmember Pessagno to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 2:10 P.M.



Clarence F. Lear III, Mayor



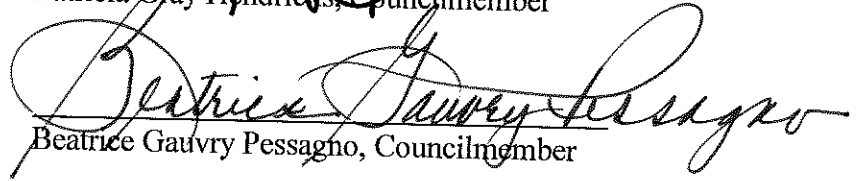
Shaine P. Meier, Deputy Mayor



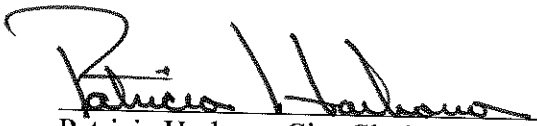
Roger M. Furlin, Councilmember



Patricia Gray Hendricks, Councilmember



Beatrice Gauvry Pessagno, Councilmember



Patricia Harbora, City Clerk