



**SPECIAL MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE MAY, NJ
Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 1:00 P.M.**

The Special Meeting of City Council of the City of Cape May was called to order by Mayor Lear at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 in the Cape May City Hall Auditorium. The City Clerk called the roll and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Those present:

Councilmember Roger M. Furlin
Councilmember Patricia Gray Hendricks
Mayor Clarence F. Lear, III
Deputy Mayor Shaine P. Meier
Councilmember Beatrice Gauvry Pessagno
City Manager Neil Young
City Solicitor Frank Corrado
City Clerk Patricia Harbora
Deputy City Clerk Erin Burke

Also present:

Daniel Shustack, QPA
Leon Costello, CPA, RMA, LPSA

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.

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

BUDGET PRESENTATION:

City Manager Neil Young details the process by which a municipal budget is presented and adopted by Council. He suggests introducing the budget at the March 6, 2018 City Council meeting, and potentially adopting the budget at the April 3, 2018 City Council meeting, since the deadline to adopt is April 20th. Mr. Young then gives an in-depth presentation via slide-show on the proposed 2018 budget.

BUDGET DISCUSSION/PUBLIC PORTION:

Jerry Gaffney, 810 Columbia Avenue – Mr. Gaffney questions if any changes are being made to the Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) assessment. Mr. Young responds that there is a reduction of JIF premiums for 2018, and an increase of deductible for any police-related matter. Deputy Mayor Meier notes that there has been an increase of police-related litigation throughout the State.

Mr. Gaffney then questions the anticipated expenses and revenue for the newly formed Fire Prevention Bureau. Mr. Young states that the anticipated expenditures and revenue should balance out.

RESOLUTIONS:

57-02-2018 Resolution Providing for A Meeting Not Open to The Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 – Cape May City vs. Sheehan

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

Public portion: None.


CLOSED SESSION: 2:00 P.M.

OPEN SESSION RESUMES: 2:40 P.M.

No formal action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

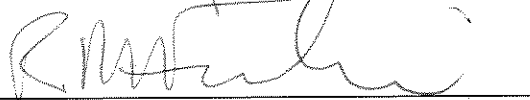
Motion made by Deputy Mayor Meier to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Pessagno. The special meeting adjourned at 2:42 P.M.



Clarence F. Lear III, Mayor



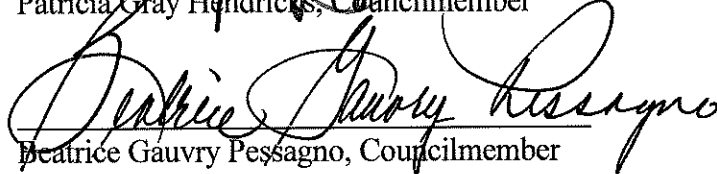
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Patricia Harbora, City Clerk