



**REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE MAY, NJ
Tuesday, August 21, 2018 6:00 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of City Council of the City of Cape May was called to order by Cape May City Mayor, Clarence F. Lear, III at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday, August 21, 2018 in the Cape May City Hall Auditorium. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Erin Burke, Deputy 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 – ABSENT
Councilmember Patricia Gray Hendricks
Mayor Clarence F. Lear, III
Deputy Mayor Shaine P. Meier – ABSENT
Councilmember Beatrice Gauvry Pessagno

Also Present: City Attorney Frank Corrado
City Manager Neil Young
City Clerk Patricia Harbora – ABSENT
Deputy City Clerk Erin Burke

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

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY MEMBER:

Poverty Beach Water Rescue:

Austin Dandridge

Mayor Lear commends Mr. Dandridge on his after-hours water rescue of a child at Poverty Beach. A certificate of recognition will be mailed to Mr. Dandridge since he is not in attendance.

RECOGNITION OF CAPE MAY CITY LIFEGUARDS:

Mayor Lear presents certificates of recognition to the following Cape May City Lifeguards:

2018 SuperAthalon Champion:

Robert Moran

Cape May Beach Patrol Lifeguard of the Year:

Louis Vito, III

Cape May Beach Patrol Rookie Guard of the Year:

Rachel Sandquist (CMPB Captain Geoff Rife received the certificate on Ms. Sandquist's behalf)

Captain Geoff Rife then announces that a group of the Boy Scouts of America recently rode their bikes across the Country, choosing to end their journey in Cape May by dipping the wheels of their bikes in the

ocean at Poverty Beach. He commends the group's efforts and thanks them for choosing to end their trip in Cape May.

RECOGNITION OF CAPE MAY CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Mayor Lear acknowledges the dedication of the Fire Department, and specifically recognizes them for their efforts during the Allen A.M.E. Church fire and resulting power outage. He thanks Fire Chief Alex Coulter, Deputy Chief Rick Lundholm, and all Fire Department employees for jobs well-done.

RECOGNITION OF CAPE MAY CITY POLICE OFFICERS:

Mayor Lear presents certificates of recognition to the following Cape May City Police Officers:

"Pug Mug":

Sergeant Anthony Genaro
Officer Kourtney Brussell
Officer Michael LeSage
Officer Gus Coll
Officer Kelley Walters

Law Enforcement United Tour:

Lieutenant John Bobik
Sergeant Tom Connelly
Sergeant Anthony Genaro

Police Unity Tour:

Officer Kara Brussell

RECOGNITION OF FRALINGER STRING BAND:

Mayor Lear details the actions of the Fralinger String Band during the July 7, 2018 Cape May City Independence Parade, in which the Captain of the string band pulled a disabled individual out of the crowd and pushed him in front of the parade procession. The family of the individual was elated and wrote a letter thanking the band for their actions, and Mayor Lear commends the Fralinger String Band for including the young man in the festivities.

REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

198-08-2018 Resolution Approving Change Order No. 8 to the Agreement Between TKT Construction Company, Inc. and the City of Cape May's Contract for Cape May City Well Number 8

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

199-08-2018 Resolution Fixing the Date of Delinquency for Taxes Due for the Third Quarter 2018

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

200-08-2018 A Resolution Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the Budget Pursuant to Chapter 159 Pl 1948 – Public Address/Early Warning System

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

201-08-2018 A Resolution Amending the Agreement between the City of Cape May and the Fund for Cape May Regarding Rotary Park

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

202-08-2018 Payment of Bills

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

MINUTES:

Cape May City Council Regular Meeting Minutes dated July 17, 2018

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

Cape May City Council Special Meeting Minutes dated July 17, 2018

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

Cape May City Council Closed Session Minutes dated July 17, 2018

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

Cape May City Council Special Meeting Minutes dated July 26, 2018

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

Cape May City Council Closed Session Minutes dated August 7, 2018

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

REPORTS:

Cape May City Overtime report for the month of July 2018

Cape May City Occupancy report for the month of July 2018

Cape May City Police report for the month of July 2018

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

A) City Attorney – None.

B) City Manager –

- In regard to the 5 cent tax increase, City Manager Young explains that only 1 cent of the increase was controlled by Cape May City Council. The other 4 cents are a combination of local purpose tax, regional school tax, and County tax, of which this governing body has no control.

C) Deputy City Clerk –

- September is National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. In the State of New Jersey an estimated 5,430 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed and an estimated 750 deaths will occur in the year 2018. Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in American men and the third leading cause of cancer death behind lung and colon cancer. Education regarding prostate cancer and early detection strategies is critical in saving lives. Men are at risk for prostate cancer and the City of Cape May encourage the citizens to increase the importance of prostate screening.
- The Cape May County School Districts are joining the nationwide effort to celebrate September as “Attendance Awareness Month”. The districts have pledged to raise awareness about the value of regular school attendance and focus on reducing chronic absenteeism in the new school year. The City of Cape May encourages the community members to join the effort and recognize that good attendance is essential to academic success.

D) Councilmembers

Councilmember Pessagno offers thanks to the loyal patrons who attended the Summer Concert Series. She announces an upcoming free Beach Bums concert on the beach. She also offers thanks to Rachel Urquel who interned with the Convention Hall staff over the summer.

Councilmember Hendricks announces the 80th anniversary of the Cottagers Association of Cape May, and thanks them for their support of the community. Councilmember Hendricks also announces that as the school year begins, everyone should be aware and careful of pedestrians traveling to and from school.

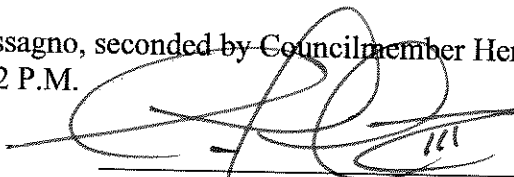
Mayor Lear comments that the August 13, 2018 Redevelopment Town Hall meeting went well, and that the City received a large amount of feedback. He also congratulates the "Old School" band who performed at Rotary Park for the first time last night. He then announces that Cape May City was voted as one of 20 "best weekend getaways" in the Northeast.

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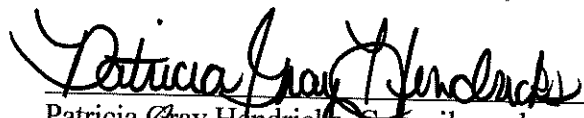
Lenore McGann, 133 W. New Jersey Avenue, Villas – Ms. McGann speaks at length regarding the historical character of Cape May, and stresses that the National Historic Landmark status must be considered by Council when making decisions. She gifts a 9/11 Memorial flag and a painting of the Baltimore Inn from 1953 to the City. She makes comments regarding how the jetty is influencing the flow of sand to Cape May beaches. She moves on to recommend various potential improvements and uses for the Cape May City Library, which she claims is dedicated to her late mother. Ms. McGann then discusses what she perceives to be violations of the Cape May City zoning code.

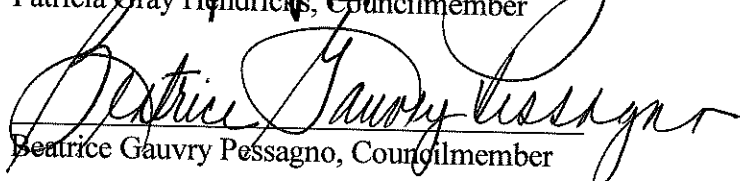
Motion made by Councilmember Pessagno, seconded by Councilmember Hendricks, to adjourn with all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.


Clarence F. Lear III, Mayor

Absent from meeting, abstains from voting
Shaine P. Meier, Deputy Mayor

Absent from meeting, abstains from voting
Roger M. Firlin, Councilmember


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Erin Burke, Deputy City Clerk