

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Barnes, Mr. Crowley, Mr. Hartzell, Mr. Levchuk, Mr. Madden, Mr. Polcini, and Mr. Winslow. Present also was Mayor Gillian, Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson and Business Administrator, Mr. Savastano.

Council President Mr. Madden called the meeting to order and asked everyone to rise for the flag salute and moment of silence. Mr. Madden called the meeting to order and announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been given pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

REPORTS – MAYOR & ADMINISTRATION:

Mayor Gillian provided an update on the pool renovations at the Aquatic and Fitness Center and will continue to do so every Friday as the city works to get the pool back open as soon as possible. Also, he discussed the resolution on the consent agenda regarding the contract for a new airport terminal design; the city is seeking grant funding to add to the generous donation from Leon Grisbaum. Lastly, Mayor Gillian spoke about the resolution on the consent agenda for the annual dredging maintenance program. Results are being seen and this year's program includes Sunny Harbor, Snug Harbor and some bay front outfall areas.

Business Administrator, Mr. Savastano discussed the resolution on the agenda having to do with authorizing the advertisement of bids for the next dredging project; he provided an explanation and also talked about the sediment trap outside of Snug Harbor. He said that in addition to Snug Harbor, Sunny Harbor is also in need of dredging. Mr. Savastano explained that this was part of the adopted capital plan and the current schedule is to open bids next month, award the project at the first meeting in October and then issue notice to proceed for dredging by the end of October.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

No one from the public wished to speak.

REPORTS – CITY COUNCIL:

No reports were given.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt the regular city council meeting minutes of Thursday, July 25, 2024. Motion moved by Mr. Winslow, seconded by Mr. Crowley. All ayes followed.

ORDINANCE: SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 24-10 on second reading and public hearing. Motion moved by Mr. Winslow, seconded by Mr. Crowley. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title. **Ordinance No. 24-10 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter XXI, Flood Damage Prevention, of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Ocean to Repeal Chapter XXI, “Flood Damage Prevention”; to Adopt a New Chapter XXI, “Flood Damage Prevention”; to Adopt Flood Hazard Maps; to Designate a Floodplain Administrator; and Providing for Severability and an Effective Date**

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided an explanation on the ordinance. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment and no one wished to speak. Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting and asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 24-10 on second reading. Motion moved by Mr. Crowley, seconded by Mr. Winslow. All ayes followed.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

24-61-089 - #1 - A Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of City Contract #24-32, 2024 – 2025 Back Bay Mechanical Dredging Program

24-61-090 - #2 - A Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of City Contract #24-33, Acquisition & Delivery of One (1), Model Year 2024 or Newer, One-Man Refuse Collection System Vehicle

24-61-091 - #3 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract to Spatial Data Logic, Inc. for Municipal Management Software Utilized by the City of Ocean City

24-61-093 - #5 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract to Engineering Design Associates, P.A. (EDA) for Preparation of Existing Conditions, Topographic Survey, Construction Drawings and Specifications for the Little League Field Renovation at 35th & Haven Block 3505, Lots 1 & 2

24-61-094 - #6 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract to Michael Baker International for One Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) and Supporting Documentation to be Submitted with FEMA BRIC Grant Applications for Haven Avenue 19th to 26th Street Flood Mitigation Project

24-61-095 - #7 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract to William McLees Architectural, LLC for the Design of Schematics for the Ocean City Airport Terminal Exterior

24-61-096 - #8 - A Resolution Authorizing Change Order #4 to City Contract #23-25, Site Remediation for Block 1606, Lot 3 with South State, Inc.

24-61-097 - #9 - A Resolution Authorizing the Extension of City Contract #23-19, Emergency Medical Billing Services for the City of Ocean City to Provider Technology D/B/A Revascent

24-61-098 - #10 - A Resolution Authorizing the Participation in Sourcewell National Cooperative Contract #020223-CEC with Clark Equipment Company D/B/A Bobcat Company for Medium-Duty Construction Equipment on an as Needed Basis for the City of Ocean City

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Motion moved by Mr. Winslow, seconded by Mr. Crowley. All ayes followed.

Removed Resolutions:

Mr. Hartzell asked to remove Resolution No. 4 from the consent agenda. The clerk read the title of the resolution aloud. **24-61-092 - #4** - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract to Czar Engineering, LLC for Project Management of the 8th Street Police Substation

Mr. Hartzell said that he is going to take a pause on this and vote no. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment on Resolution No. 4 and no one wished to speak. Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting and asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 4. Motion moved by Mr. Winslow, seconded by Mr. Crowley. All ayes followed with the exception of Mr. Hartzell who voted no.

Mr. Winslow asked to remove Resolution No. 11 from the consent agenda. The clerk read the title of the resolution aloud. **24-61-099 - #11** - A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Claims

Mr. Winslow said that he is on the bill list for a reimbursement of expenses so he will abstain from voting on the payment of claims. Mr. Madden opened the meeting up for public comment on Resolution No. 11 and no one wished to speak. Mr. Madden closed the public comment portion of the meeting and asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 11. Motion moved by Mr. Crowley, seconded by Mr. Levchuk. All ayes followed with the exception of Mr. Winslow who abstained.

PENDING BUSINESS:

Mr. Polcini suggested having a discussion about addressing the seagull issue in the city and asked administration if there were any other options available.

Mr. Barnes wanted to let the public know that there is discussion regarding e-bikes and safety.

Mr. Hartzell said that if anyone experiences a problem with the seagulls to let administration know so that they can address it. He also thanked Mr. Allegretto and Mr. Savastano for being responsive regarding trash pick-up and also making sure that dumpsters are in compliance and are properly covered.

Mr. Levchuk said that he would like to have a discussion with administration about the next steps regarding 16th Street.

Mr. Winslow said that the Merion Park Phase II project is progressing nicely and should be wrapped up some time next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Polcini thanked Mr. Winslow and the community services team for doing such an outstanding job with Night in Venice. It was a great event and he also thanked the administration.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

No one from the public wished to speak.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Madden asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Polcini, seconded by Mr. Crowley. All ayes followed. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



Melissa Rasner, City Clerk