

**CITY OF SEA ISLE CITY, NEW JERSEY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 – 10:00 AM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Edwardi, Mr. Kehner, Mr. McHale, Ms. Tighe and Mr. Divney, Also attending was Administrator Mr. Savastano and Solicitor Mr. Baldini.

Council President Divney called the meeting to order and asked everyone to rise for the flag salute and prayer. He then announced that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with P. L. 1975, Chapter 231.

Mr. Divney then asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the 8-23-11 Regular Meeting. Motion moved by Mr. McHale and seconded by Mr. Kehner. All ayes followed.

REPORTS-Mayor and Administrator: Mr. Savastano explained the Mayor's absence as he is meeting with the Library Director regarding the opening of the Sea Isle Library. Mr. McHale asked if there is a refrigerator in the room that is next to the community room and Mr. Savastano said he would pass on the request.

Mr. Savastano reported beach tag sales totaled \$1,163,000 compared to \$1,159,000 in 2010 and Holiday Tag sales have not yet begun.

He next announced that a meeting has been scheduled on 9/20/11 with the USDA regarding the grant funds for Central Avenue. The goal continues for an award of the contract in November.

REPORTS-Council: Mr. McHale announced the Beautification Committee will meet today at 2:00 p.m. and on behalf of the Committee he thanked Public Works for the efforts at the North and South entrances.

Mr. Divney announced that the City Engineer, Mr. Previti will report on the City's Roadway and Utility Program at the 9/27/11 meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENT ~ Resolutions on Consent Agenda:

Irene Jamison-1500 Landis: Agreed with Mr. McHale about the North and South Entrances and thanked the Committee responsible for the turtle sculpture (Res. #140)

RESOLUTION – Consent Agenda:

- 134** Authorizing the Approval of Vouchers
- 135** Authorizing Tax Overpayment Refunds
- 136** Authorizing an Amendment to the Award of a Fair and Open Professional Service Contract for Engineering/Architectural Services {EDA - Excursion Park Phase II}
- 137** Authorizing Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for a Professional Services Contract for Engineering Services {EDA - T.I. Park \$14,500.}
- 138** Authorizing Award of a Non-Fair and Open Professional Services Contract for Public Defender {\$4,500.}
- 139** Declaration of Surplus Personal Property & Authorization of On-Line Auction
- 140** Authorizing Contract for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services for the Purchase of Sculptured Art {Turtle} at Excursion Park and North End Entrance to the City {\$46,766.}

Mr. Divney then asked for a motion to adopt the resolutions on the consent agenda #134 - #140. Motion moved by Ms. Tighe and seconded by Mr. Kehner. All ayes followed.

PENDING BUSINESS: Ms. Tighe asked what the plan is for the draft zoning ordinance regarding design standards now that it has been received. Mr. Divney indicated it will be forwarded to developers, Chamber and Revitalization members and if no significant problems, introduction will be 9/27/11 and then referred to the Planning Board for review at its October meeting. Ms. Tighe suggested another public discussion prior to introduction if there are several recommendations and all agreed. Mr. McHale added that another discussion is needed regarding the Shopping Center zone as he continues to have concern with density and parking in all of the commercial zones. Mr. Divney responded that the City has done a lot to increase the number of parking spaces.

Ms. Tighe indicated there is a misconception that the Library will have citywide WI-FI and that is not the case. Mr. McHale asked Mr. Savastano to find out what the WI-FI range will be and he said he would.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. McHale reported that he and Mr. Divney met with the BOE facilities committee to discuss use of the school now and if it closed. Mr. Divney added that a follow-up letter was received and he read a proposed response on behalf of the Council. All agreed a joint public meeting will be beneficial and Mr. Divney indicated he would meet with BOE President to discuss. All agreed that if a joint meeting occurs, it must be open to questions from the public.

Ms. Tighe next gave kudos to the Chamber and Revitalization Gala on Monday night, as it was a great successful event.

Mr. Edwardi asked if recreation can show Phillies playoff games on the big screen at Excursion Park and Mr. Savastano said he would discuss with Director Feeney.

Mr. McHale reported that the Environmental Commission is seeking grant funds for tree plantings and that a resolution will be on the next agenda.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Ann Organ-209 39th St: Asked that the City Recreation Department join with Avalon and Stone Harbor to field a full soccer team. She next complained that after the sewer cap blew off at 39th & Central, there still some necessary sidewalk cleanup.

Dottie Fean-350 44th St: Opposed the addition to the Lodge for the Welcome Center and that the Beach Tag office will not have enough room in the new building and that there are too many proposed offices. Mr. Divney explained that employees from the old firehouse will move to the facility and will need work space.

Alan Fisher-122 55th St: Suggested the need for new lifeguard stands and opposed the proposed traffic light change from 53rd to 50th on Landis.

Dottie Fean- 350 44th St: Complained that the traffic and parking at the new Welcome Center will be problematic.

Mr. Divney asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Edwardi and seconded by Ms. Tighe. All eyes followed and the meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Cindy L. Griffith, City Clerk