

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
May 27, 2015**

The Work Session of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of West Cape May was called to order by Mayor Kaithern at 7:02 PM. The Open Public Meetings Statement was read by Mayor Kaithern who then led those present in the flag salute. Mayor Pamela Kaithern, Deputy Mayor Peter Burke, and Commissioner Carol Sabo answered roll call. Also in attendance: Clerk Elaine Wallace, Deputy Clerk Dianne Rutherford, Solicitor Frank Corrado, and Engineer Ray Roberts.

WORK SESSION

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Ray Roberts reviewed the May report (attached).

OLD BUSINESS

NFIP Community Rating System: Nothing new to report at this time.

Notifying Area Realtors and Arborists about Ordinance 494-15 Tree Preservation: The Shade Tree Commission will meet before the board's meeting and the Board will wait until more specifics and guidance is received from the Shade Tree Commission.

Round-About Update: According to County Engineer Dale Foster, their appraisers are still looking at the properties requiring easements. Mayor Kaithern suggested the public contact the County to express their support for this project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Police Contract: The current contract expires at the end of this year and the Borough would like to explore its options. Commission Sabo has asked the public for feedback on the police services provided by Cape May.

Liquor License: A prospective investor expressed interest in a liquor license. Mayor Kaithern is expecting a report from the business task force which will contain suggestions regarding the hours of operation for liquor licenses. The Board was not in favor of rebidding at this time.

The work session concluded at 7:37 PM and the regular portion began at 7:40 PM.

CONSENT AGENDA: On motion of Deputy Mayor Burke, seconded by Commissioner Sabo, the following Consent Agenda was unanimously approved on roll call vote.

Minutes: May 13, 2015 Work Session and Regular Meeting
May 13, 2015 Closed Session

Ordinances for Introduction and Publication:
501-15 Amending the Salary Ordinance of the Borough of West Cape May

Scheduled for Second Reading and Public Hearing June 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Resolutions:

- 90-15 Resolution of the Borough of West Cape May, County of Cape May, Authorizing (1) the Filing of a Declaratory Judgment Action, (2) the Filing of a Motion for Temporary Immunity and (3) Authorizing the Allocation of Funds to Retain an Expert to Propose a Sensible Approach to Round 3 Allocations
- 91-15 Payment of Bills
- 92-15 Scheduling of Closed Session - Litigation: Willow Creek, Water Loss

NON-CONSENT AGENDA:

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

- 500-15 An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance to Modify the Definition of "Farm"

Mayor Pam Kaithern opened the Public Meeting. When no one wished to speak, The Mayor closed the Public Hearing. By motion of Commissioner Sabo, seconded by Deputy Mayor Burke, the foregoing ordinance was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

Commissioner Sabo had no report.

Deputy Mayor Burke announced the Shade Tree Commission has had several trees delivered and will be getting 15 more tomorrow. The Borough will host an American Cross blood drive on Monday, July 20th.

Mayor Kaithern gave no report.

PUBLIC PORTION: No comments.

When no one wished to speak, the meeting was recessed into closed session at 7:44 PM and reconvened at 8:18 PM on motion of Commissioner Sabo, seconded by Deputy Mayor Burke.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM on motion of Commissioner Sabo, seconded by Deputy Mayor Burke.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine L. Wallace, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk