



Regular Meeting Monday, March 4, 2019 Mayor and City Council Town of Ocean City, Maryland

CALL TO ORDER

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PRESIDING

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Lloyd Martin	Ocean City	Council President	Absent	
Mary Knight	Ocean City	Council Secretary	Present	
Dennis Dare	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
Tony DeLuca	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
John Gehrig Jr.	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
Matthew James	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
Mark L. Paddack	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
Richard W. Meehan	Ocean City	Mayor	Present	

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: City Manager Doug Miller, City Solicitor Guy Ayres, Finance Director Chuck Bireley, City Clerk Diana Chavis, Budget Manager Jennie Knapp, Members of the Press and Interested Parties.

Council Secretary Mary Knight called this meeting to order at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 N. Baltimore Avenue, Ocean City, Maryland 21842.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE

Council Member Gehrig led the prayer and Pledge.

CLOSED SESSION NOTICE AND REPORT

- A. Closed Session - Monday, March 4, 2019 - 5:00 - 6:00 PM to discuss Legal, Real Estate and Collective Bargaining Matters

Convened into Closed Session to: 1) consider the acquisition of real property for the public purpose and a matter that is not related to public business; 2) consult with legal counsel; and 3) conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations.

Motion to convene into Closed Session by Council Member DeLuca; seconded by Council Member James. The vote was unanimous with Council Member Paddack absent for the vote and Council President Martin absent for the meeting.

Council Secretary Mary Knight reported on Closed Session. Persons present were Mayor Rick Meehan, City Manager Doug Miller, Council Secretary Mary Knight, Council Members Dennis Dare; Matt James; Tony DeLuca; John Gehrig and Mark Paddack [arrived 5:10 PM], City Solicitor Guy Ayres, City Clerk Diana Chavis, Public Works Director Hal Adkins, Finance Director Chuck Bireley,

Planning and Community Development Director Bill Neville and Human Resource Director Wayne Evans.

Motion to adjourn Closed Session at 6:20 PM.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tony DeLuca, Council Member
SECONDER:	Matthew James, Council Member
AYES:	Knight, Dare, DeLuca, Gehrig Jr., James, Paddack
ABSENT:	Martin

ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

A. Standing Committee Draft Agendas

Mayor Meehan reviewed Police Commission March 11 draft agenda.
Council Member James reviewed Tourism Commission March 11 draft agenda.
Council Member Gehrig reviewed Recreation and Parks Committee March 12 draft agenda.
Council Member DeLuca reviewed Coastal Resources Legislative Committee March 13 draft agenda.
Council Member DeLuca reviewed Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee March 13 draft agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve Consent agenda items A through E.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tony DeLuca, Council Member
SECONDER:	John Gehrig Jr., Council Member
AYES:	Knight, Dare, DeLuca, Gehrig Jr., James, Paddack
ABSENT:	Martin

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Work Session dated February 12, 2019
2. Regular Session #4 dated February 19, 2019

- B. Private Event Approval Request for the 20th Annual Boardwalkin' for Pets - April 20, 2019
C. Private Event Approval Request for the Island to Island Half Marathon/5K - April 27, 2019
D. Private Event Approval Request for the Knights of Columbus Procession - May 4, 2019
E. Private Event Approval Request for the 2019 OC Surf Fest - June 8-9, 2019

MISCELLENEOUS REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Art League of Ocean City Report presented by Executive Director Rina Thaler

Introduced new Board President, John Sisson, and presented the annual report sharing membership and visitor statistics, funding, education efforts, exhibits, film festivals, public art [utility box

painting], and upcoming events such as Artrageous, The Biggest Little Farm, Don't Feed the Bear, Empty Bowl Project, Clay-a-Palooza, and the Plein Air event to name a few.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ITEMS REFERRED TO AND PRESENTATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER AND STAFF

ITEMS REFERRED TO AND PRESENTATIONS FROM THE CITY SOLICITOR

A. First Reading - Ordinance to Adopt FY19 Budget Amendment #1

Tony Christ questioned budget amendment line items.

Motion to approve first reading of Ordinance 2019-02.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tony DeLuca, Council Member
SECONDER:	Mark L. Paddack, Council Member
AYES:	Knight, Dare, DeLuca, Gehrig Jr., James, Paddack
ABSENT:	Martin

B. Traffic Regulation 2019-01 Authorizing Partial Closure of 48th Street on Saturday, March 16, 2019

Council Member Dare supported the concept but expressed public safety concerns about closing the street.

Motion to adopt Traffic Regulation 2019-01.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Matthew James, Council Member
SECONDER:	Mark L. Paddack, Council Member
AYES:	Knight, DeLuca, Gehrig Jr., James, Paddack
ABSTAIN:	Dare
ABSENT:	Martin

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Tony Christ spoke on role of government, budget and property values.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Reviewed March 12 tentative Work Session agenda.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 7:30 PM.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mark L. Paddack, Council Member
SECONDER:	Tony DeLuca, Council Member
AYES:	Knight, Dare, DeLuca, Gehrig Jr., James, Paddack
ABSENT:	Martin

Approved by Mayor and Council this ____ day of _____, 2019.

Diana L. Chavis, CMC
City Clerk