Steenrod said she had ques-

tions about the ordinances,

but concurred with Favre

about the process. Favre said angled parking

has worked in places such as

Philadelphia and Rehoboth

Linda

Couniclwoman

Beach, Del.

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Stops -

There is a groundswell against these ordinances," Schmidt said.

Likewise, former councilman and mayor Jerry Gaffney said the new meters were not in the best interest of the community, and he urged city council to table the ordinances and give them more thought.

He said the matter should

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presentation.

The ad hoc committee then recommended Perreault as a candidate for the president's position.

Save Wildwood The Catholic Foundation members told the committee Father Perreault should be considered at a later date along with other qualified candidates.

According to foundation board member Claudia Von Savage, they then held another meeting in the afternoon and expressed uneasiness at the ad hoc committee's recommendation of Perreault.

The committee did not plan to spend the allocated funds immediately, but its members planned to oversee the implenot be dealt with by the present council, but should be left for the council sworn in July 1 to consider the matter.

"This is just lame duck leg-islation," Gaffney said. He said the new council would have to deal with the potential backlash from the ordinances, so the matter should be left to the new

council. "I don't want the city to be a National Historic Landmark

city with more parking meters per square foot than any other National Landmark city," he said.

Gaffney also requested city council to table the ordinance creating back-in angled parking in some sections of Beach Avenue. Angled parking would allow more parking spaces than the parallel parking that exists on Beach Avenue. Gaffney said the back-in parking would be a

nightmare, but the county has given its approval to back-in angled parking, because it is supposed to be safer than angled parking where drivers pull in forwards and have to back out. Beach Avenue is a county road, and in the past the county has opposed the idea of angled parking because drivers would have to back out onto Beach Avenue. The county has

endorsed the plan where

the schools would eliminate

The foundation also sug-gested the sale of the Eighth

Street athletic field's devel-

opmental rights to the state

Green Acres program or some other governmental agency. The parish, they said,

would be able to retain the

The foundation said on acceptance of their plan, they

would immediately begin work on converting \$500,000

in pledges into a cash account

and begin working on a sec-

ond installment of pledges for another \$500,000. The foun-

dation said it needed Father

Field and the trustees to

agree on a set of points. (See

The foundation has sched-

uled a third Save Wildwood

Catholic forum on Friday,

sidebar.)

Feb. 19.

recreational use of the field.

the need to pay for the opera-

tion of two buildings.

State

tant information.'

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drivers back into a space

because they are better able

to see pedestrians, cyclists and drivers when they leave

Deputy Mayor Niels Favre

said city council regularly

introduces ordinances that

"This is a way of getting feedback and information," Favre said. "This is a process

that allows us to get impor-

trical service due to three winter storms that struck the area between Jan. 30 and Feb. 11.

The county continued to authorize the Cape May Chapter of the American Red Cross to manage shelter oper-ations in the county, if needed. It also authorized the 16 municipalities to operate Transitional Reception Care Centers, from which people would be transported to super shelters to be set up in Wildwood and Woodbine.

The county announced that all governments, businesses and residents could resume their normal activities except where conditions might endanger the safety of residents or visitors. The proclamation also lifted a countywide travel ban, but local authorities had the right to manage traffic based on their local conditions.

Local jurisdictions have the authority to manage traffic activity based on local condi-

Police name suspect, 66,

hours.

in sexual assault case

tions.

As of 10 a.m., Feb. 12, there were 3,381 Atlantic City Electric customers without power and 24 people remained in the shelter set up in the Wildwoods Convention Center.

Cape May County govern-ment offices were also open on Feb. 12, and Meals on Wheels and Fare Free Transportation resumed their normal schedule.

County Communications Director Lenora Boninfante said the Cape May County Park and Zoo was open, but some walkways were still icy. She said there was major damage to four exhibits, including the bald eagle and snow leopard exhibits. Boninfante said heavy snow accumulation caused roofs to cave in.

The Delaware River and Bay Authority suspended operations of the Cape May-Lewis Ferry for the second consecutive day, Feb. 11, because of severe weather.

mentation of the plan for the first year. They believed having a volunteer coordinator would send a message to their donors indicating their level of commitment to saving Wildwood Catholic.

After it was apparent the ad hoc committee wished to advance Perreault as president, foundation board member Bob Mullock nominated Mrs. Von Savage as president of Save Wildwood Catholic, Inc. She was unanimously elected. Von Savage said the board believed her election could result in her being named the interim, acting president by a newly created board of directors composed of Wildwood Catholic High School Advisory Board members and Save Wildwood Catholic Foundation board

members.

Von Savage agreed to work the first year without pay to implement the foundation's vision, and said she would resign at the end of the year, when a newly hired president would assume the duties.

However, the Diocese of Camden Von rejected Savage's election because she is not Roman Catholic. The board then recommended Von Savage be named acting, interim co-director of transi-tion along with ad hoc committee member Joe Bogle.

The board most recently sent a letter, dated Feb. 11, to Father Michael Field, pastor of St. Ann's Church, asking for guarantees they would be allowed to implement their vision. Highlights of the letter include the reiteration of the 'Two schools, one roof" slogan, referring to housing both schools in the Wildwood Catholic building. Combining



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Police have identified the suspect as Anthony J. Becica of the 600 block of Bayshore Road, Villas, who has been charged with aggravated sexual assault.

Police said Becica was arrested at his residence on Feb. 14 in the late evening



He was processed at the Lower Township Police Department and then transferred to the Cape May County Correctional Center. was Becica originally charged with criminal sexual contact. Following further investigation by the Lower Township Detective Division and the Cape May County Prosecutors office he was also charged with aggravated sexual assault.

Superior Court Judge S. Kemble Salvo set bail at \$75,000.00 cash for the aggravated sexual assault. Lower Township Municipal Court Judge David DeWeese had previously set bail at \$15,000 for the criminal sexual contact charge.

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