

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

January 28, 2014

ATTENDANCE:

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple
Councilman Spence
Councilman Surrency
Councilman Thompson
Councilman Zapolski
Mayor Kelly
Administrator Goodreau
Municipal Solicitor Bertram

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Lugardo-Hemple

STATEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE: Municipal Clerk read statement of meeting notice, "Adequate notice of this meeting pursuant to N.J.S.A.10:4-6 giving the time, date, location and agenda to the extent known has been given in the following manner:

1. By posting notice of said meeting on the bulletin board at City Hall Annex, 181 East Commerce Street, Bridgeton, New Jersey on January 24, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the South Jersey Times and the Press on January 24, 2014 at 4:30 pm.
3. By publishing notification in the South Jersey Times and notifying the Press and Official Radio Stations.

PRESENTATION: None

AGENDA REVIEW:

C – Councilman Zapolski will give invocation and flag salute.

G-1 Councilman Zapolski informed Council he had spoken to the CFO and Business Administrator regarding the ordinance and the impact on tax rate and the way it is going to be managed there should be no realistic impact on the tax rate.

G-2 Business Administrator explained this is due to the shared services agreement regarding the Tax Assessor.

H-1 Clerk explained this is removed from the agenda as the public hearing needs to be re-advertised due to the cancellation of the last weeks meeting and will be on February 4, 2014.

ADDITION: Councilman Spence at this time presented an Ordinance for first reading entitled: ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

This ordinance establishes the minimum and maximum salaries of the Mayor, Council President and Council Members. After discussion it was agreed to place the ordinance on the agenda as item G-3, second reading to be held February 18, 2014 and to change the effective date in the ordinance from July 1, 2014 to January 1, 2015.

J-1 Clerk explained this item is being removed as the Ordinance regarding this must be adopted first and will not be until February 18, 2014 at that time the Resolution will be placed back on the agenda.

J-2 Councilman Zapolski recommended that this be pulled until he receives additional information he had asked for. (Specifications)

Administrator explained that they are compiling a list of qualified architects that they can pull from when needed. After discussion it was agreed to remove the item from the agenda until February 4, 2014.

J-3 and J-4 Administrator explained that the State requested a change in the wording on the Resolution prior to accepting our request which now has been done by item J-4 with J-3 rescinding the previous Resolution.

J-11 Councilman Zapolski pointed out that this was brought up at the last meeting when we tabled the payment to GPM as there was no apparent contract for them to be paid. He believes we still need a Resolution to cover the gap. He asked if this one is making it retroactive and if we can do it? Administrator stated yes, explained this would cover the gap from 2010 to December 2013.

J-14 Councilman Spence posed question concerning costing the City \$700 a year.

Chief Schoch explained the \$700 is for Fire Prevention Activities and will be given back to the City.

ADDITIONS from Clerk:

Resolution awarding bid to Combat Support Products for Foam Trailer after discussion it was agreed to be placed on Agenda.

Resolution encouraging citizens to follow the law not to text while driving.

Administrator stated that there is a possibility of two potential Resolutions to be added after the executive session discussion.

K. Schedule of Bills, Councilman Spence inquired about the break down placed on the bill list. Administrator explained it was due to conflict with bill list regarding Main Street and Council members. Councilman Spence stated that has not taken place yet, so break down was needed.

L. Applications Clerk presented three additional raffle applications from Rotary Club which were placed on the Agenda.

M-3 Reports Councilman Zapolski inquired about items listed on the Annual Zoning 2013 report stating no fee paid.

Administrator stated he would look into the matter, Council agreed to remove from agenda until the information is obtained.

Councilman Spence also requested that addresses be placed on the list along with the Block and Lots.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Councilman Zapolski reported he attended an audit exit meeting with the Administrator and CFO it was very well presented. The one thing that will need to be worked out is the concept of aggregation which he explained and Administrator gave an example in detail.

Councilman Surrency reported on Historic Commission meeting and they have a new Chairperson Rose Mary DeQuinzio and he is the Vice Chairperson and Ms. Scott continues to be the Secretary.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Administrator stated Council has received the application for sewer and water funding and it is time sensitive and he would like Council's opinion on whether or not to proceed

with the application. Discussion was entered in with Administrator, Mark Lavenberg, Water/Sewer Director and Council at the conclusion at which it was agreed to explore other concepts or options.

Councilman Zapolski asked the Administrator to have Mr. Rutala come in for an update on CNG Project

Councilman Spence inquired about the dam project an update, Administrator stated this would be executive session.

Administrator presented the recommendation regarding the outdoor sidewalk display that we have a \$25 application fee and permit good for the calendar year and each year the annual permit fee will be \$25. and does away with separate \$50 permit fee. It was agreed to have this Ordinance placed back on the next meeting agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon motion by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson

RESOLUTION NO. 148- 13 authorizing an executive session to discuss Contract: Revaluation, Raceway, and Municipal Alliance was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. The original Resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

PUBLIC PORTION: None

Special Meeting date was re-scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, 2013, 4:30 pm for Land Dimensions Engineering to give a presentation on the action plan for Bridgeton City Park.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion, it was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Zapolski that the Work Session be adjourned which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Mary L. Kimble,
Deputy Clerk

Gladys Lugardo-Hemple
Council President
Date: _____

CITY OF BRIDGETON EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

Resolution to convene an executive session to discuss matters permitted by N.J.S.A.10:4-12 from which the public may be excluded

WHEREAS the open public meetings act N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting where certain subjects are discussed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12; and

WHEREAS the Bridgeton City Council is of the opinion that the following items involve such subjects:

Category	General Nature (Subject)	Anticipated Disclosure
CONTRACT	REVALUATION	SIX MONTHS
CONTRACT	RACEWAY	SIX MONTHS
CONTRACT	MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT	SIX MONTHS

WHEREAS, session minutes will be kept and once the subject confidentiality is no longer required the minutes can be made public

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the public be excluded from this meeting

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bridgeton held on the 28 day of January, 2014

ATTEST:

Darlene J. Richmond,
Municipal Clerk

Gladys Lugardo-Hemple
Council President

APPROVED:

Mayor Albert B. Kelly