

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., City of Bridgeton Police and Municipal Court Complex, 330 Fayette Street, Bridgeton, New Jersey in Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Gladys Lugardo-Hemple.

The Statement of Meeting Notice was read by Clerk, Darlene J. Richmond, "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 September 13, 2013, at 4:30 pm
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on September 13, 2013, at 4:30 p.m. Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Spence.

The following answered to roll call:

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple  
Mr. Spence  
Mr. Surrency  
Mr. Thompson  
Mr. Zapolski

Pres. Lugardo- Hemple presented the Public Session minutes from the Meeting of September 3, 2013, the Work Session of September 3, 2013, and Executive Sessions September 3, 2013.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Surrency to dispense with the reading of said minutes as all members received copies and said minutes be approved as received which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced two Ordinances for first reading entitled:

### ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 149 ARTICLE II O F THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Zapolski that this ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on October 1, 2013 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

### STATE FISCAL YEAR 2014 MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson that this ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on October 1, 2013 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced one Ordinance for second reading entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 370-ZONING

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Spence that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on this ordinance and this ordinance only which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo Hemple opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Spence to close the public hearing on the ordinance.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Spence that this be considered the third and final reading of said ordinance and that the ordinance be taken up for adoption or rejection by roll call vote.

The Clerk called the roll as follows:

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Pres. Lugardo-Hemple			
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Mr. Spence			
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Mr. Surrency			
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Mr. Thompson			
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Mr. Zapolski			
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Pres. Lugardo-Hemple declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 13-6 the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced this is the time for comments on the consent agenda or any other matter of concern the public desires to address Council.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency second by Mr. Thompson that the meeting be opened to the public for any one desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard.

Ms. Delores Batten commented on public sessions of Council beginning on time and thanked Mr. Surrency for inviting her husband and her to sit at his table during the Crab Fest and making him feel comfortable. She inquired about an opening of a Popeye in the area which she was informed, is being considered. Also commented on the success of the Splash Park and suggested crafts and playground equipment being placed in the Park for the children.

Ms. Goldie Wulderk inquired about upstairs living in the down town area. Mr. Zapolski stated that the recent ordinance allows upstairs living in the central business district where the buildings meet the appropriate code. Ms. Wulderk also inquired about water meters being placed down town which she was informed that they are installed in the down town area. She informed Council that she would like to donate a dog wood tree and violets to be planted in the park

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Thompson to close the public portion of the meeting, which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple closed the public portion of the meeting.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced all matters listed under the consent agenda J-1 through J-7 will be enacted upon by one motion, if discussion is desired that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be acted upon separately. Item J-3 was an added Resolution and was placed on the agenda with the original J-3 placed at the end as J-7 is required to be adopted prior to the Budget Introduction Resolution.

It was moved by Mr. Spence seconded by Mr. Zapolski that the following Resolutions listed under the consent agenda be adopted, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book

RESOLUTION NO 63-13, authorizing extending grace period for third quarter 2013 taxes and solid waste.

RESOLUTION NO 64-13, authorizing subordination of mortgage for Elizabeth Still.

RESOLUTION NO 65-13, authorizing alternate tax collection rate 2014 Municipal Budget.

RESOLUTION NO 66-13, authorizing tax office to make changes.

RESOLUTION NO 67-13, authorizing modification of contract for Mary Elmer Lake Dam Repairs.

RESOLUTION NO 68-13, authorizing MOU with NJ Office of Emergency Management and FEMA for Public Works Projects.

RESOLUTION NO. 69-13, introduction of the 2014 Municipal Budget.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Schedule of bills in the amount of \$449,161.39, all members having received copies of same.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and seconded by Mr. Spence that the Schedule of Bills is approved and warrants be drawn on their various accounts and appropriations, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original schedule may be found in the files under "S" Schedule of Bills.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced the following applications:

1. Block off Street – Team Independence Cycling, October 5 and 6, 2013, West Park Drive to West Avenue.
2. Raffle: Rotary Club Foundation, October 26, 2013.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and second by Mr. Spence that said applications be approved and permits issued, which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the following reports for the month of August:  
Zoning Officer  
Police Department  
Municipal Clerk  
Water/Sewer Department

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and second by Mr. Surrency that said reports be received and filed which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Mayor for remarks.

Mayor Kelly announced additional enhancement to the Park, exercise equipment has been installed by the upper basketball courts, near the Babe Ruth Field.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Council for remarks

Councilman Thompson no comments.

Councilman Surrency thanked Ms. Batten for joining him at the Crab Fest.

Councilman Zapolski informed Ms. Batten that he would have a pair tongs for her at the next Crab Fest so she can help him out.

Mr. Zapolski recognized his daughter in the audience who is attending college and this is one of the requirements for her federal government classes.

Councilman Spence suggested that Ms. Batten and her husband participate in the Kayak race.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple thanked everyone for coming and thanked Councilman Zapolski for his help during the Budget process.

There being no further business to come before Council it was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski to adjourn the meeting which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond  
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

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President Lugardo-Hemple

Date: \_\_\_\_\_