

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, December 3, 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 Municipal 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 November 27, 2013, at 4:30 pm  
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on November 27, 2013, at 4:30 p.m. Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Zapolski.

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 November 18, 2013, the Work Session of November 18, 2013 and Executive Session of November 18, 2013.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski 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 no Ordinances for first reading.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced two Ordinances for second reading.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple read ordinance entitled:

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF FIRE EMERGENCY VEHICLES IN AND BY THE CITY OF BRIDGETON, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$815,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$774,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski that this be considered the second reading of said ordinance and that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple opened the meeting to the public for any one desiring to be heard on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski 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 vote, which motion was carried.

| YEAS                 | NAYS | ABSENT | ABSTAIN |
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| Mr. Spence           |      |        |         |
| Mr. Surrency         |      |        |         |
| Mr. Thompson         |      |        |         |
| Mr. Zapolski         |      |        |         |
| Pres. Lugardo-Hemple |      |        |         |

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple declared the Ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 13-9, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple read ordinance entitled:

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FIFTEEN MINUTE PARKING SPACE ON COTTAGE AVENUE**

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Surrency that this be considered the second reading of said ordinance and that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple opened the meeting to the public for any one desiring to be heard on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Surrency 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 vote, which motion was carried.

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| Mr. Thompson         |      |        |         |
| Mr. Zapolski         |      |        |         |
| Pres. Lugardo-Hemple |      |        |         |

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple declared the Ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 13-10, 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 anyone desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

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

Father David Rivera, Parish of the Holy Cross Church, concerning request for closing N. Laurel Street December 8 and December 11, 2013, Council inquired about concerns they had regarding procession and also informed him of the cost.

Father Rivera responded to their concerns and informed Council he is ready to pay any fees.

It was moved and seconded that the Resolutions submitted for closing of N. Laurel Street be placed on the agenda under the consent agenda items J-7 and J-8 which motion was carried.

Ms. Delores Batten addressed Council regarding tree down and branches down also on curbing and sidewalks on Albertson Avenue. Ms. Batten further expressed concern over the homeless.

Ms. Goldie Wulderk addressed Council regarding rental notices being sent out.

Mr. Warren Robinson expressed concern over Nail House Museum and the donated items.

Mr. Carl Hemple congratulated City on the Christmas Parade.

Mr. Nicholas Pessciano expressed concern over his towing license being denied. He was informed to contact the Business Administrator.

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-8 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. Items J-5 and J-6 was added to the agenda during the Work Session. Items J-7 and J-8 was added during the regular meeting when additional information needed was provided during the public portion.

It was moved by Mr. Spence seconded by Mr. Surrency 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. 119-13, authorizing contract with Cumberland County SPCA for animal services.

RESOLUTION NO. 120-13, authorizing professional service agreement with Cesar Viveros for Mural

RESOLUTION NO. 121-13, suspending use of trash stickers for holidays

RESOLUTION NO. 122-13, authorizing advertisement for bids for foam trailer

RESOLUTION NO. 123-13, authorizing application to register as Certified Local Government

RESOLUTION NO. 124-13, approving application to State for a Historic Survey Update Grant

RESOLUTION NO. 125-13, authorizing closing portion of N. Laurel Street, December 8, 2013 for procession

RESOLUTION NO. 126-13, authorizing closing portion of N. Laurel Street, December 11, 2013 for procession

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the corrected (included additional insurance waivers) Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$267,369.76, all members having received copies of same.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and seconded by Mr. Zapolski 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 no applications:

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced the following report:

Municipal Clerk (November)

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

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Mayor for remarks.

Mayor Kelly congratulated Main Street and the participants for the Christmas Parade.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Council for remarks

Councilman Thompson apologized for not being present at the parade. He welcomed Fr. Rivera to the community. Mr. Thompson congratulated the Mayor on being recognized by the League of Municipalities.

Mr. Surrency stated social groups are raising money for the Nail House, many people are trying to do something for our community.

Mr. Zapolski thanked Fr. Rivera for his explanation on the processions. He enjoyed his participation in the holiday parade.

Mr. Spence reminded everyone of the Holiday House Tour on Saturday; hope to see people out there. Houses on the tour really go all out for this.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple reminded everyone of the Festival of Lights on Friday and Saturday in the park, from 4 to 8 pm. Flyers are available. Volunteers have been working for more than a month for this event. She thanked Fr. Rivera for telling everyone about the food bank at the church.

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 Gladys Lugardo-Hemple

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