

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 2, 2016

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 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 President J. Curtis Edwards.

The Statement of Meeting Notice was read by Deputy Municipal Clerk, Kathleen L. Keen, "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 July 29, 2016, at 4:30 pm
2. By mailing such notice to The Daily Journal, South Jersey Times and The Press of Atlantic City on July 29, 2016, at 4:30 p.m.

Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Surrency

The following answered to roll call:

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple
Councilman Spence
Councilman Surrency
Councilman Zapolski
President Edwards

President Edwards called upon Mayor Kelly for a presentation.

Mayor Kelly addressed council regarding a Municipal ID program; he introduced Ms. Meghan Hurley - Communications Coordinator for CATA a non-profit migrant farm worker organization with offices in the city. Ms. Hurley explained the history of CATA and its affiliation with migrant farm workers, she noted the Municipal ID cards would help workers integrate into the community and allow them more use of community services. Michael Asparrin an intern from Princeton on behalf of CATA then offered a power point slide presentation of the Municipal ID Program.

After the presentation, Police Chief Gaimari spoke of the identification cards and how they would help with law enforcement. Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple questioned the difference between a city ID card and other identification cards. Chief Gaimari explained the county no longer issues ID cards, and the Department of Motor Vehicles has the six (6) point requirement making it harder to obtain an ID. Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple noted a city ID card would not be acceptable for vital statistics purposes. Lastly, Mayor Kelly stated the ID cards would be good for security purposes, and would like to see the city move forward with them, noting the community is over 50% Latino.

President Edwards presented the City Council Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2016, Work Session of July 19, 2016 and Executive Session of July 19, 2016.

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

President Edwards announced two Ordinances for first reading.

The Deputy Clerk read an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NAME OF MILL STREET BETWEEN SOUTH EAST AVENUE AND STATE HIGHWAY 49 AS BLUE BOWMAN WAY FOR ITS ENTIRE LENGTH

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple this ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on August 16, 2016 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Deputy Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 149 ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON ESTABLISHING PARK AND RECREATIONAL FEES

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that this ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on August 16, 2016 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. It was noted by Mr. Zapolski some wording in the original ordinance was amended, President Edwards reiterated during the work session full council agreed to the amended wording.

President Edwards announced one Ordinance for second reading.

The Deputy Clerk announced this being the time and place set forth for second reading, public hearing and final consideration of an ordinance entitled:

CITY OF BRIDGETON ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 149 ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Spence this be considered the second reading of said ordinance and the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter, which motion was carried.

President Edwards opened the meeting to the public for a hearing on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Spence that the public portion be closed which motion was carried.

President Edwards closed the public portion.

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

The Deputy Clerk called the roll as follows:

	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple	X			
Mr. Spence	X			
Mr. Surrency	X			
Mr. Zapolski	X			
President Edwards	X			

President Edwards announced the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 16-13, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

President Edwards announced this is the time for anyone who desires to address council on the consent agenda or any other matter.

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and seconded by Mr. Surrency the meeting be opened to the public for anyone desiring to address council on the consent agenda or any other matters, which motion was carried.

President Edwards opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard.

Ms. Katherine Cooper – asked Council to consider using the \$150,000 grant by recruiting lifeguards for the lake to be opened for residents next summer. She suggested council look into having a school opened in the winter months for an evening indoor walking program. Ms. Cooper asked Council to collect data to see who exactly is utilizing the Splash Park and attending programs throughout the city, suggesting discount cards for residents, or opening one morning a week for residents only. Mr. Zapolski questioned when to plan for lifeguards for the season, Ms. Cooper responded now is the time, courses will commence in November.

Ms. Goldie Wulderk – spoke of the vegetable and fruit program at the Salvation Army and renovations needed for the building. She asked that stores be able to display their wares on the sidewalks as they did in the past. Mr. Zapolski noted Council can only allow what is in the ordinance. Mr. Spence said the ordinance was enacted due to “junk” being left on the sidewalks, possibly sidewalk sales could be conducted a few times a year.

Mr. Thomas Martin – question the TY Year 2015 Audit, stating he has attempted to see the Port Authority Audit for two years and it has not been available.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Spence, the public portion be closed, which motion was carried.

President Edwards closed the public portion of the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple to add to the agenda Resolution J-14, approving an appointment to the Housing Authority. Motioned carried with a unanimous roll call.

President Edwards announced all matters listed under the consent agenda J-1 through J-13 with the exception of J-11 will be enacted upon by one motion unless a Council member desires to discuss an item, in that case the items will be removed from the consent agenda and acted upon separately.

1. RESOLUTION, Annual Report of Audit Review for the TY Year 2015
2. RESOLUTION, Item of Revenue FY2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistant Grant
3. RESOLUTION, Item of Revenue FY2016 Highway Safety Drunk Driving Enforcement Grant
4. RESOLUTION, Item of Revenue FY2016 SIF Risk Control Grant
5. RESOLUTION, Item of Revenue FY2016 NJDEP Hazardous Discharge Remediation Grant
6. RESOLUTION, Item of Revenue FY2016 Municipal Court Alcohol Enforcement Grant
7. RESOLUTION, Non-Fair and Open Award to Kennedy Culvert & Supply Company
8. RESOLUTION, Sale of Certain Property owned by the City of Bridgeton
9. RESOLUTION, Non-Fair and Open Award to Water Works Supply Company, Inc.
10. RESOLUTION, Canceling Tax Sale Certificates
12. RESOLUTION, Emergency Repair Services for Well #19 to A.C. Schultes, Inc.
13. RESOLUTION, Reduction of Performance Bond - Spanish 7th Day Adventist Church

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski that said Resolutions be adopted which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book.

President Edwards announced Resolution J-14 approving the appointment of Rosemary Dequinzio to the Housing Authority to fill the unexpired term of Tyrone Williams expiring December 17, 2019.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Surrency that J-14 known as Resolution 203-16 be adopted. The Deputy Clerk called the roll as follows:

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	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple	X			
Mr. Spence	X			
Mr. Surrency	X			
Mr. Zapolski		X		
President Edwards	X			

The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

President Edwards asked Council for a motion to approve the Schedule of Bills of August 2, 2016 in the amount of \$3,221,172.71.

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Spence that the Schedule of Bills be approved and warrants be drawn on their various accounts and appropriations, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original schedules may be found in the Clerk's Files under "S" Schedule of Bills.

President Edwards announced the following four (4) applications.

1. Inspira Health Network on Premise Merchandise Raffle October 14, 2016
2. Pastor Medina-Transformation Church, Block-Off Street, September 10, 2016 12noon-6pm
3. First United Methodist Church, Block-Off Street September 25, 2016 8am-4pm
4. Bridgeton Main Street Assoc. Block-Off Street August 27, 2016 8am-8pm

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Surrency to approve the applications which motion was carried.

President Edwards announced the following reports.

1. Police Department (June)

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Zapolski that said reports be received and filed which motion was carried.

President Edwards called upon the Mayor for comments. Mayor Kelly had no comments this evening.

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Councilmembers individually welcomed New Administrator Dr. Stephanie Bush-Baskette to the City. President Edwards echoed their sentiments referring to Dr. Bush-Baskette as "Dr. B or now Dr. Bridgeton"

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.

President Edwards adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Kathleen L. Keen, RMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk

J. Curtis Edwards
Council President

Date: _____