

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 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 Surrency.

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 December 11, 2015, at 4:30 pm
- 2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on December 11, 2015, at 4:30 p.m."

Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Spence.

The following answered to roll call:

- Councilman Edwards
- Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple
- Councilman Spence
- Councilman Zapolski
- Pres. Surrency

Pres. Surrency presented the City Council Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2015, Work Session of December 1, 2015

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

Pres. Surrency announced no ordinance for first reading.

Pres. Surrency announced three Ordinances for second reading.

Clerk read an ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES 12-22 AND 14-11 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON WITH RESPECT TO SEWER RATES AND CHARGES

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

Pres. Surrency 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. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency closed the public hearing.

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 call vote which motion was carried.

The Clerk called the roll as follows:

YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Edwards			
Ms. Lugardo-Hemple			
Mr. Spence	None	None	None
Mr. Zapolski			
Pres. Surrency			

Pres. Surrency declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 15-28, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

Clerk read an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND RATES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

It was moved by Mr. Edwards and second by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency 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. Edwards and second by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Edwards and second by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple 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 which motion was carried.

The Clerk called the roll as follows:

YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Edwards			
Ms. Lugardo-Hemple			
Mr. Spence	None	None	None
Mr. Zapolski			
Pres. Surrency			

Pres. Surrency declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 15-29, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

Clerk read an ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY AMENDING SECTION 3 (A) OF BOND ORDINANCE #15-20, FINALLY ADOPTED JULY 7, 2015 IN ORDER TO ADD ADDITIONAL PROPERTIES AND PROVIDING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$550,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FROM THE BRIDGETON PORT AUTHORITY AN AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL \$550,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.

It was moved by Mr. Edwards and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that said ordinance be TABLED for further consideration and re-introduced on January 19, 2016 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Surrency announced this is time for public portion to comment on the consent agenda items or any other matters.

It was moved Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Zapolski that 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.

Ms. Dolores Batten, Albertson Avenue, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and commented on the Christmas Parade being called a Holiday Parade.

Mr. Wayne Humphrey, State Street, registered complaint regarding the no paving or grading and cleaning of his street.

Mr. Michael Abbott, Commerce Street, commented on the Round About suggested and also on the Vendor in violation of the Ordinance.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple and seconded by Mr. Zapolski that the public portion be closed, which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency closed the public portion of the meeting.

Pres. Surrency announced all matters listed under the consent agenda J-1 through J-14 will be enacted upon by one motion unless a Council member desires to discuss an item; in that case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and acted upon separately. Items J-8 to J-14 was added to the Agenda during the Work Session.

RESOLUTION NO. 358-15 authorizing tax office changes senior citizen add back.

RESOLUTION NO. 359-15 authorizing purchase of small pick up truck for Water Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 360-15 tax office account adjustments.

RESOLUTION NO. 361-15 authorizing award of banking services to Cape Bank.

RESOLUTION NO. 362-15 authorizing request for bids for solid waste collection.

RESOLUTION NO. 363-15 authorizing cancellation of assessed taxes being corrected.

RESOLUTION NO. 364-15 authorizing execution of subordination mortgage for Deloris Francois.

RESOLUTION NO. 365-15 transfer in appropriations.

RESOLUTION NO. 366-15 authorizing purchase of two police vehicles.

RESOLUTION NO. 367-15 sale of 56 Oak Street by public auction.

RESOLUTION NO. 368-15 support round about at Mayor Aitken Drive and West Park Drive.

RESOLUTION NO. 369-15 scheduling reorganization meeting date for City Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 370-15 authorizing contract with EMTS Local No. R2-352.

RESOLUTION NO. 371-15 authorizing agreement with Fire Chief Todd Bowen

It was moved Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple that said Resolutions be adopted which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book.

Pres. Surrency asked Council for a motion to approve the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$2,153,758.07

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski 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 schedule may be found in the Clerk's Files under "S" Schedule of Bills.

Pres. Surrency announced following applications received.

Taxicab Renewal – El Chapulin Taxi Cab

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Mr. Spence that said application be approved which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency announced the following reports:

Vital Statistics (October)
Municipal Clerk (November)
Zoning Officer
Treasurers (November)

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

Pres. Surrency called upon Council for closing remarks.

Councilman Edwards,
no comments.

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Spence, wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Zapolski wished everyone a Merry Christmas a Happy Hanukkah and whatever else you may Celebrate during this holiday season and a Happy New Year.

Pres. Surrency wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

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

Pres. Surrency adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond
Municipal Clerk

Approved:

Jack Surrency
Council President

Date: _____