

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
February 21, 2012

ATTENDANCE:

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple
Councilman Spence
Councilman Surrency
Councilman Thompson
Pres, Zapolski
Mayor Kelly
Mun. Solicitors Bertram
Business Administrator Goodreau

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Zapolski

STATEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE: 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 February 16, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on February 16, 2012 at 4:30 pm.

PRESENTATION: None

AGENDA REVIEW

C. Invocation, Pres. Zapolski explained change to a moment of silence instead of an invocation.

G-1 Pres. Zapolski explained why the Taxicab ordinance was revised on the agenda for first reading when also on the agenda for a second reading.

H-1 Pres. Zapolski distributed Infrastructure Repair Bond chart explaining tax rate impact.

H-2 Pres. Zapolski distributed Park Capital Improvement Bond chart and its tax rate impact.

H-3 Pres. Zapolski explained this is being replaced with G-1 first reading with revisions, Council agreed to vote down.

J-6 It was explained that the agreement of sale for Block 117, Lot 6 must be done prior to the Ordinance being adopted.

J-7 to J-11 Additions to the agenda regarding bids for various jobs dealing with the Bond Ordinance for infrastructure improvement.

J-8 Administrator explained Indian Avenue Sidewalks Project is State grant with no cost to the city

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS: None

OTHER BUSINESS/CONCERNS

1. P.A. System-Pres. Zapolski stated it was worked on, some of the changes were made, and that further enhancements would be made in the near future.
2. Union Street One Way-Pres. Zapolski stated received a letter from Police Department, no response from Fire Department, and a letter from our Solicitor went out to the applicant's attorney requesting a neighborhood canvass. It was also noted that the Church needed to be informed that they would be responsible for the cost of the necessary signage and labor to install the same.
3. Satellite Dish Ordinance- Pres. Zapolski stated no response and ordinance will be on for next meeting.
4. Letter regarding Anthony's Dog House escrow account – not to be released.
5. School Board Election to be kept in April, time has been extended to Friday February 24, 2012, Board's decision, Council has not received any response concerning their decision, will continue to try and contact President of Board of Education.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Surrency second by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple RESOLUTION NO.192-11 to enter into an executive close session to discuss the following:

CONTRACTS –

1. NJ Ethanol Resolution presented for settlement
2. FMBA Administrator presented Resolution and terms

PERSONNEL –Police Department, injuries and discipline action taken. Fire Department swearing in of new fire fighters.

ALL MATTERS

Executive Session Minutes Pres. Zapolski explained the need to create a process to review, approve, and release executive session minutes that is compliant with State law and the City Code. The executive session minutes were distributed from last meeting of January 17, 2012 and approved by Council which will be done in public session. Process for future and arrear executive session, Council will receive minutes and they will be approved as an added item on the public session agenda.

PUBLIC PORTION: None

OTHER BUSINESS

5. School Board Election, continued discussion, unable to reach School Board representatives, Council agreed, upon motion by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Spence to hold Special Meeting Friday, 9 a.m. February 24, 2012 at the City Council Complex on Fayette Street to take action on Resolution concerning moving the Election to November, motion was carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Pres. Zapolski adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Darlene J. Richmond
Municipal Clerk

Michael D. Zapolski, Sr.
Council President