

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Wednesday, June 5, 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 May 31, 2013, at 4:30 pm
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on May 31, 2013, at 4:30 p.m. Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Thompson.

The following answered to roll call:

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

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Public Session minutes from the Meeting of May 21, 2013 and the Work Session Minutes of May 21, 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.

Lugardo-Hemple announced that there is no Ordinance for first reading or second reading Ordinance.

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. Spence second by Mr. Surrency 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.

Mr. Ted Uber, Lincoln Street, inquired about a raise for the crossing guards stating they have not had one for seven years

He was informed that it would be looked at after figures are received from the Administrator.

Mr. Mike Abbott, posed inquires regarding Resolution J-10 regarding who would be in charge of rental properties and was informed that the agency would have the responsibility.

Mr. Abbott also commented on illegal boarding houses, over crowding, and notification of housing inspections.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Surrency 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-17 will be acted upon by one motion unless Council member desires to discuss an item it will be acted upon separately. Items J-15 and J-17 were added, Clerk announced these items are available on the table.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski 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 289-12, honoring Bridgeton High School 2013 Salutatorian
RESOLUTION NO 290-12, honoring Bridgeton High School 2013 Valedictorian
RESOLUTION NO 291-12, authorizing person to person and place to place transfer of Marino's Alcoholic Beverage License.
RESOLUTION NO 292-12, authorizing renewal Alcoholic Beverage Licenses
RESOLUTION NO 293-12, authorizing veteran tax exemption.
RESOLUTION NO 294-12, authorizing senior citizen tax exemption.
RESOLUTION NO 295-12, authorizing tax office changes.
RESOLUTION NO 296-12, authorizing extension of MOU with Tri County Action Agency
RESOLUTION NO 297-12, authorizing tax abatement Cumberland Empowerment Housing LP
RESOLUTION NO 298-12, amending resolutions and authorizing sale of certain property
RESOLUTION NO 299-12, authorizing bids for demolition of structures located at 194 Sewall road
RESOLUTION NO 300-12, supporting sharing burden of property assessment appeal refunds.
RESOLUTION NO 301-12, request insertion of revenue in budget from County Prosecutor's Office translator services
RESOLUTION NO 302-12, authorizing bids for firefighters uniforms
RESOLUTION NO 303-12, authorizing transfers in budget appropriations
RESOLUTION NO 304-12, authorizing contract with Day Chevrolet, Inc.
RESOLUTION NO 305-12, authorizing contract with Municipal Judge

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Schedule of bills in the amount of \$254,614.37, 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 one application was received.

Block off Street- Sharp Street for Fraternal Order of Eagles annual Fuzzy Fest, June 15, 2013, Noon to 6 pm.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Spence to approve said application which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the following reports:

Tax Office (April)
Municipal Clerk (May)

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

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Mayor for remarks.

Mayor Kelly thanked everyone that was instrumental for the success of the Memorial Day Parade and the Splash Park opening and announced and encouraged those present and citizens to participate in the Health Walk, June 15, 2013.

Mayor also commented on the Police Department has been utilizing the City of Bridgeton for Top Gun Training and using property on Grove Street for training and he is very happy that they selected the City to do the training.

Mayor also informed Council of a Bill presented by Celeste Riley, May 20, 2013, requiring purchasers of precious metal and jewelry to submit records and report on what they buy and who they buy it from, and he asking that perhaps we can do a resolution supporting this bill.

President Lugardo-Hemple called upon Council for remarks

Councilman Thompson commented on the bill submitted and agreed with the support of the Bill by the City.

Councilman Surrency commented on the success of the Splash Park Opening and informed everyone present that Saturday is Hazard Waste Day from 8 to 2 they can bring their hazardous waste to the County Improvement Authority for disposal.

Councilman Zapolski commented that you can also bring your hazardous waste on any Saturday to the convenience center on Florida Avenue

Councilman Spence no comments.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple commented on success of the Community Yard Sale. She is also in support of the bill by Assemblywoman Riley. Thanked everyone for coming.

Mayor announced gun buy back taking place on Saturday, eight to eight at St. Andrews Church, may receive up to \$250.

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:

President Gladys Lugardo-Hemple

Date: _____