

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, April 19, 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 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 April 15, 2016, at 4:30 pm
2. By mailing such notice to The Daily Journal and The Press of Atlantic City on April 15, 2016, at 4:30 p.m.

Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Spence

The following answered to roll call:

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

Pres. Edwards presented the City Council Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2016, Work Session of April 5, 2016, Executive Session of April 5, 2016.

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

Pres. Edwards announced one Ordinance for first reading.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:  
**BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY REESCINDING BOND ORDINANCE 16-1 ADOPTED FEBRUARY 2, 2016 WHICH APPROPRIATES THE SUPPLEMENTAL AMOUNT OF \$550,000 IN ORDER TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN PROPERTIES OF THE BRIDGETON MUNICIPAL PORT AUTHORITY AND ALSO RESCINDING RESOLUTION 44-16 ADOPTED FEBRUARY 2, 2016 IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED ACTION OF THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD TO CONSIDER THE DISOLUTION OF THE BRIDGETON MUNICIPAL PORT AUTHORITY.**

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Zapolski that this ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on May 3, 2016 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Edwards announced no ordinances for second reading.

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

It was moved Mr. Spence 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.

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

Mr. Michael Abbott commented on the condition of the areas entering into the City also illegal parking of cars on sidewalks and construction taking place.

Mr. Thomas Martin commented on Ordinance regarding the Port Authority property.

Mrs. Dolores Batten commented on respect should be shown when the other person is speaking.

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

Pres. Edwards closed the public portion of the meeting.

Pres. Edwards announced all matters listed under the consent agenda J-1 through J-11, with items J-10 to J-11 added and item J-2 removed during the Work Session 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 106-16, accepting correction action plan for Audit from Chief Finance Officer.  
RESOLUTION NO. 107-16, imposing lien on properties for maintenance violations.  
RESOLUTION NO. 108-16, authorizing veteran tax exemption.  
RESOLUTION NO. 109-16, authorizing re-advertisement for RFP Mobile Concession in Bridgeton City Park.  
RESOLUTION NO. 110-16, authorizing award to Waste Management for solid waste and recyclable collection services.  
RESOLUTION NO. 111-16, authorizing adding approved state contract vendor.  
RESOLUTION NO. 112-16, authorizing use of City Hall steps for Ceremony, Welcome Home Veterans.  
RESOLUTION NO. 113-16, authorizing closing of Mayor Aiken Drive for Health Walk, May 14, 2016.  
RESOLUTION NO. 114-16, authorizing amending Resolution 104-16 for sewer blockage payment.  
RESOLUTION NO. 115-16, authorizing application for Great Urban Parks Campaign Grant.

It was moved Mr. Spence 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. Edwards asked Council for a motion to approve the Schedule of Bills of April 19, 2016 in the amount of \$1,341,782.15.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Surrency 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.

Pres. Edwards announced the following applications:

1. Catering Permit, - M. Arellano, LLC. – Cinco de Mayo Event May 1, 2016.
2. Catering Permit – M. Arellano, LLC – Wedding Marino Center, April 30, 2016.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple that said applications be approved and permits issued, which motion was carried.

Pres. Edwards announced the following reports.

1. Historic Preservation Commission 2015 Annual
2. Tax Office Receipts (March)
3. Treasurer (March)
4. Municipal Clerk (March)
5. Public Works (Quarterly)
6. Zoning Officer (March/April)

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

Pres. Edwards called upon Mayor for remarks.

Mayor commented on the Park Plan and that he is working on it.

Pres. Edwards called upon Council for remarks.

Councilman Surrency commented on the success of the Little League Opening.

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple concurred with Councilman Surrency remarks

Councilman Spence commented on the Park Plan.

Councilman Zapolski commented on the economic development and the need of improving the appearance of the down town area.

There being no further business to come before Council, it was moved by Mr. Surrency and seconded by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple adjourn the meeting which motion was carried.

Pres. Edwards adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

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Darlene J. Richmond  
Municipal Clerk

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J. Curtis Edwards  
Council President

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