

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, September 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 September 11, 2015, at 4:30 pm
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on September 11, 2015, at 4:30 p.m."

Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple.

The following answered to roll call:

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

Pres. Surrency announced that at this time, Zoological Society has a presentation.

Ms. Bonnie Facemyer of the Zoological Society presented Mayor Kelly with the keys to a van as a donation to the Zoo from the Society.

Pres. Surrency presented the City Council Meeting Minutes of September 1, 2015, Work Session of September 1, 2015, and Executive Session of September 1, 2015.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple 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 one Ordinance for first reading entitled:

ORDINANCE APPROVING TAX EXEMPTION AGREEMENT REGARDING BLOCK 5 LOT 5

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that this Ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on October 6, 2015, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Surrency announced no Ordinance for second reading.

Pres. Surrency announced this being the time and place set forth for public portion.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that the meeting be opened to the public for anyone desiring to address Council on the consent agenda or any other matter, which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency opened the meeting to the public.

Dolores Batten of Albertson Avenue addressed Council over several areas of concern.

Warren Robinson of Hampton Street, thanked the Zoological Society and expressed concern over the City support of the Library.

Goldie Wulderk of N. Pearl Street commented on the empty stores in the down town area.

Ms. Dale Stevens of Cedar Street, inquired about medical assistance.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple 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-13 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-13 were added to the Agenda during the Work Session. Also during the Work Session, item J-5 was removed the agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 278-15, authorizing extension of MOU with Tri-County Community Action.
RESOLUTION NO. 279-15, closing portions of East Commerce Street for opening of County College Satellite Facility.
RESOLUTION NO. 280-15, authorizing bids for construction of City Park Arch sign.
RESOLUTION NO. 281-15, imposing lien on properties for abatement of maintenance.
RESOLUTION NO. 282-15, Cumberland County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Vendors.
RESOLUTION NO. 283-15, insertion of revenue in budget from Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant.
RESOLUTION NO. 284-15, appointing Roberta Copeland, Alternate No. One, on Zoning Board.
RESOLUTION NO. 285-15, appointing Joshua Steelsmith,, Alternate No. Two, on Zoning Board.
RESOLUTION NO. 286-15, insertion of revenue in budget from US Department Justice, bullet proof vest.
RESOLUTION NO. 287-15, renewal of Las Palmas Alcoholic Beverage License.
RESOLUTION NO. 288-15, appointing Todd Bowen as Chief of Police.
RESOLUTION NO. 289-15, awarding Asphalt Paving, Corporation bid for reconstruction Baltimore Avenue.

It was moved by Councilman Edwards and seconded by Councilman 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.

Pres. Surrency asked Council for a motion to approve the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$782,450.47

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Edwards 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 two applications were received.

1. Block Off Street – Annual Eagles Club Picnic
2. Raffle – Parish of the Holy Cross

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve said applications which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency announced the following reports:

1. Municipal Clerk (August)
2. Zoning Officer (August/September)
3. Treasure (August)

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

Pres. Surrency called upon the Mayor for remarks.

Mayor Kelly stated he had none at this time.

Pres. Surrency called upon Council for closing remarks.

Council had no remarks.

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: _____