

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, October 2, 2012 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 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 28, 2012, at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on September 28, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Surrency.

The following answered to roll call:

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

Presentation was given by Flavia Alaya on the Bridgeton Historic District 2012 Annual Report

Presentation was given by Carola Hartley regarding Main Street Association activities.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced City Council meeting date change to Wednesday, October 17, 2012.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Work Session minutes from the Meeting of September 18, 2012, Public Session Minutes of September 18, 2012 will be presented at next meeting.

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

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced no Ordinance for first reading.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced one Ordinance for second reading.

The Clerk announced this being the time and place set forth for second reading, public hearing and final consideration of an ordinance entitled:

STATE FY 2013 MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on this ordinance and this ordinance only which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple opened the meeting to the public for a hearing on this ordinance this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson to close the public hearing which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson 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	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Spence			
Surrency	None	None	None
Thompson			
Zapolski			
Lugardo-Hemple			

Pres. Lugardo Hemple declared the Ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 12-7, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

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. Surrency second by Mr. Thompson 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. Michael Abbott, Bridgeton, asked why the Historic District Commission is being denied the access to the archives of the Historic Commissions records.

Mr. Abbott also commented on the Thursday night walk that he hopes that something is really going to be done and not just make everybody feel good because we are out there.

Ms. Delores Batten, Bridgeton, commented and addressed the issue of the safety of our neighborhoods and communities.

Those present were encouraged that they should always contact the police if anything looks suspicious or occurs by Councilman Spence and Business Administrator.

Mr. Carl Hemple, Bridgeton, thanked the Administration and Departments for the repair of the roof at the Ridgeway/Hunter Field House as part of their maintenance program and he further reported they are planning a fund raiser for the batting cages and will be starting work on that shortly.

Mr. Hemple stated he notice they are starting sidewalks on Highway 77 by the trestle and suggested that if the City is going to have a ribbon cutting for that project he thinks that Goldie Wulderk should be invited to be the first to walk across it, because for years she has been trying to get that sidewalk put in.

He further informed that the Bridgeton Little League has joined a partnership called "Pitching for Baseball" and are donating old equipment, that is still usable, to the project.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Thompson 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 if any discussion is desired that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be acted upon separately, items 15, 16 and 17 were added to the agenda.

It was moved by Mr. Spence seconded by Mr. Zapolski that the following Resolutions listed under the consent agenda be adopted, which motion was carried by roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book

RESOLUTION NO 85-12, congratulations Karen Hepner BACC award recipient.

RESOLUTION NO 86-12, congratulations Goldie Wulderk BACCA award recipient.

RESOLUTION NO 87-12, congratulations Baker, Krell, Haag and Bertram BACC award recipient.

RESOLUTION NO 88-12, congratulations Newfield National Bank BACC award recipient.

RESOLUTION NO 89-12 congratulations Johnson Farms BACC award recipient.

RESOLUTION NO 90-12, congratulations Don Rogers, Inc. BACC award recipient.

RESOTION NO 91-12 congratulations Buona Vista, Inc. BACC award recipient.

RESOLUTION NO. 92-12 congratulations Trout's Power Equipment.

RESOLUTION NO. 93-12, award bid for Annual Regulatory Sampling and Analysis to Q. C. Laboratories.

RESOLUTION NO. 94-12, authorizing veteran tax exemption.

RESOLUTION NO. 95-12, authorizing modification for Indian Avenue sidewalk construction.

RESOLUTION NO. 96-12 contract modification for re-roofing water works building, J. Wilhelm, Co., Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 97-12, support rehabilitation need for Bridgeton Villas.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-12 approval of use of the last 3 FY average tax collection rate.

RESOLUTION NO. 99-12 authorizing mutual aid assistance agreement with County.

RESOLUTION NO. 100-12, award maintenance of emergency equipment to Emergency Equipment Sales, LLC

RESOLUTION NO. 101-12, authorizing extension of time for completion of Block 183 Lot 20 18 Price Street.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$598,508.81 all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and second by Mr. Surrency 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 application:

1. Raffle for Parish Holy Cross – December 17, 2012.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Surrency to approve said applications and issue the permits which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the following report for August:

Vital Statistics Office

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

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Council remarks.

Councilman Surrency no comments.

Councilman Thompson stated to Mr. Carl Hemple he is doing a great job and he appreciates his work.

Councilman Zapolski commented that he had one point concerning our tax increase or proposed tax increase and he will be meeting with the Administrator tomorrow to over various questions that he has. It is important to recognize that the majority of that tax increase was outside the control of the City. It represents the money that was lost thru the change in valuation of our property as a result of tax appeals to other organizations that we do not have control over, so he just wanted emphasis that point.

Councilman Spence no comments.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple she wanted recognize this month is cancer awareness month and asked that next meeting everyone wear pink.

There being no other 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: _____