

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Wednesday, October 17, 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 Deputy Clerk, Mary L. Kimble, "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 October 12, 2012, at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on October 12, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. moment of silence and flag salute was led by Mayor Kelly.

The following answered to roll call:

Mr. Spence

Absent: Mr. Thompson

Mr. Surrency

Mr. Zapolski

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple

Presentation of Resolutions given to Breast Cancer survivors: Becky Thomas, Dori Turpin, and Nelva Ancona by President Lugardo-Hemple, Councilmembers and Mayor Kelly.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced City Council meeting date change to Wednesday, November 7, 2012, due to the General Election.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Public Session minutes from the Meeting of October 2, 2012.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski second by Mr. Spence 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 no Ordinance for second reading.

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. Spence 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.

Gloria Cortez, Bridgeton, thanked Mayor Kelly and Mr. Surrency and Mr. Thompson, and everyone who went on the walk.

Delores Batten, Bridgeton, had good news about the problems she had on her street, it is all taken care of. Wants to invite the neighbors and get people together, and get involved in the city. She appreciates what city officials really do.

Michael Abbott, Bridgeton, disturbed about council not knowing about a resolution that had coverage in the newspaper. Reached out to Police Chief and would like to start a real neighborhood watch. He asked the Chief for guidelines.

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-10 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, Item J-7 change order #3 being removed from the resolution changing the total amount to \$133,752.30, and items J-9 and J-10 were added to the agenda.

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 roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book

RESOLUTION NO 103-12, authorizing advertisement for bids for Well No 21 pump and discharge piping upgrade

RESOLUTION NO 104-12, authorizing advertisement for bids for maintenance repairs for water sewer pump station

RESOLUTION NO 105-12, authorizing application for Cultural Heritage Grant

RESOLUTION NO 106-12, awarding bid for public works and water/sewer uniforms

RESOLUTION NO 107-12 authorizing agreement with CCUA for sewerage services

RESOLUTION NO 108-12, awarding bid for vacuum leaf collector

RESOLUTION NO 109-12 authorizing change order #4 for Zoo Parking Lot

RESOLUTION NO 110-12 honoring the breast cancer survivors in Bridgeton

RESOLUTION NO 111-12, authorize application to NJ DOT for Baltimore Avenue Project

RESOLUTION NO 112-12, authorize application to NJ DOT for Mayor Aitken Drive Sidewalk Project

Upon motion by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Mr. Spence, RESOLUTION NO 113-12, authorizing budget to be read by title only, was adopted by roll call vote, with Mr. Thompson being absent. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Budget presentation was given by Business Administrator, Dale Goodreau, giving a visual presentation and detailed graphics.

President Lugardo Hemple stated this is the time and place for the public hearing on the City of Bridgeton SFY 2013 Budget.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Mr. Spence to open the public hearing on the SFY 2013 Budget, which motion was carried by voice vote.

Carl Hemple, Bridgeton, asked why projection was lower for ambulance service fees. Mr. Goodreau stated the figure comes from collections.

Gail Robinson, Director of Public Library, disappointed in budget. Library is not getting its fair share of funding.

Mr. Goodreau responded to Mrs. Robinson.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Mr. Spence that the public hearing on the SFY 2013 Budget be closed, was carried by voice vote.

Business Administrator Goodreau explained the reasons that the FY 2013 was being amended, and read all the amendment changes. Mr. Goodreau explained that the changes in the budget were such that the amendment did not have to be published, or a hearing held for them.

Upon motion by Mr. Surrency and seconded by Mr. Spence, RESOLUTION NO 114-12, adopting an amendment to FY 2013 Municipal Budget, was adopted by roll call vote, with Mr. Thompson being absent. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Upon motion by Mr. Spence and seconded by Mr. Surrency, RESOLUTION NO 115-12, adopting the FY 2013 amended Municipal Budget, was adopted by roll call vote, with Mr. Thompson being absent. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$2,622,948.10 all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Spence 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. S&K Taxi, LLC – Council set public hearing date for 4:00 pm, before the next Council meeting on November 7, 2012.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the following reports for September:

Municipal Clerk
Police Department
Vital Statistics Office

It was moved by Mr. Surrency 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 Zapolski thanked Mrs. Batten for her words regarding the efforts of the Council, Mayor and the city administration. It is nice to hear.

Councilman Spence stated the presentation and the certificates given out for cancer, was a good thought on Council President’s part. A friend of his who recently passed away liked pink flamingos, and he wore a headband with pink flamingos in memory of her.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple appreciated the cancer survivors who were here today, more were planning to be here, but they have good days and bad days, and they couldn’t make it. Thanked Administrator for the budget presentation, it was very informative. Reminded people that Boo-at-the-Zoo is Saturday, and invited everyone to attend. Apologized for meeting, this is her first experience running the meeting which included Budget resolutions. Invited the public to get involved, talk to your family and neighbors, spread the word of the good things the city is doing for everyone.

Councilman Spence stated that Bridgeton Main Street is starting a partnership with Bridgeton Area Amish Market. And they will be having a harvest fest, and invited everyone to check out what they will be doing.

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,

Mary L. Kimble
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED:

President Gladys Lugardo-Hemple

Date: _____