

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Wednesday, November 5, 2014 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 Jack Surrency.

The Statement of Meeting Notice was read by Deputy Clerk, Jeanne Hitchner, "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 31, 2014, at 4:30 pm
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on October 31, 2014, at 4:30 p.m.

Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Spence.

The following answered to roll call:

Ms. Lugardo-Hemple
Mr. Spence
Mr. Thompson
Mr. Zapolski
President Surrency

President Jack Surrency presented the City Council Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2014, Work Session of October 21, 2014, Executive Session Minutes of October 21, 2014.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Mr. Thompson to dispense with the reading of said minutes as all members received copies and that said minutes are approved as received which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency announced one Ordinance for first reading

Clerk read an ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 40-12

It was moved by Mr. Spence 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 December 2, 2014 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Surrency announced no Ordinance for second reading.

Pres. Surrency announced this is the time and place set forth for the public to address Council with their comments on the consent agenda items or any other matter.

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Zapolski that the meeting be opened to the public for anyone desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency opened the meeting to the public.

Ms. Delores Batten, Albertson Avenue, registered a complaint regarding over crowding and will submit a disk that she would like Council to review as evidence of her complaint, as she is being accused that her complaint is not true.

Mr. Warren Robinson, Hampton Street, commented that the City has adopted the BOCA Code and it should be enforced regarding over crowding.

Mr. Michael Abbott, East Commerce Street, commented on the over crowding issue of Landlords renting to one family and that family in turn rents rooms in the house to others.

Mr. Abbott also request Church Street going north bound should be made one way due to the traffic and parking on the street narrowing at a point and also registered complaint of the speed rate school buses and vans travel on East Commerce street.

Ms. Goldie Wulderk, N. Pearl Street, congratulated the newly elected officials.

Ms. Annette Jordan Dempster, registered complaint of drainage on Green Avenue.

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

Pres. Surrency closed the public portion of the meeting.

Business Administrator, Dale Goodreau, addressed the issues raised this evening regarding overcrowding; he did not find any evidence at the residents during an a surprised inspection of over crowding and we have been out there several times, Church Street from Commerce Street going up there are no cars parked on either side, the next block yes it is narrow but he does not see any serious situation with cars parked on both sides of the street.

Pres. Surrency announced all matters listed under the consent agenda J-1 through J-16. All resolutions 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-18 and J-21 were added on to the agenda during the Work Session.

RESOLUTION NO. 96-14, contract modification with Charles Marandino, LLC
RESOLUTION NO. 97-14, authorizing addendum to agreement with NIA Associates.
RESOLUTION NO. 98-14, awarding blanket technology services to EIRC.
RESOLUTION NO. 99-14, authorizing shared services agreement with EIRC.
RESOLUTION NO. 100-14, authorizing bid for Tandem Axle Catch Basin Cleaner/Sewer Jetting Machine.
RESOLUTION NO. 101-14, authorizing Tax Office changes on tax/utility records.
RESOLUTION NO. 102-14, granting veteran tax exemption.
RESOLUTION NO. 103-14, granting senior citizen tax exemption.
RESOLUTION NO. 104-14, authorizing bid for Firefighter Uniforms.
RESOLUTION NO. 105-14, appointing provisional Fire Chief.
RESOLUTION NO. 106-14, appointing Fire Official.
RESOLUTION NO. 107-14, authorizing release performance bond Pearl Street Realty Associates, LLC.
RESOLUTION NO. 108-14, appointing Risk Management Consultant.
RESOLUTION NO. 109-14, appointing Funds Commissioner for Statewide Insurance Fund.
RESOLUTION NO. 110-14, authorizing refund marriage license.
RESOLUTION NO. 111-14, authorizing agreement with Municipal Emergency Services, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 112-14, Tax Office changes for an Add Back.

RESOLUTION NO. 113-14, award bid library and fire department roof to Willcof Construction, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 114-14, authorizing tax office lien redemption.

RESOLUTION NO. 115-14, request for professional services year 2015.

RESOLUTION NO. 116-14, authorizing agreement with Cumberland County Board of Vocational Education

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and seconded by Mr. Thompson that the 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.

At this time Business Administrator, Dale Goodreau recognized and introduced Provisional Chief Bowen.

Pres. Surrency presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$1,732,418.70 all members have received copies of same.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Zapolski 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 files under "S" for Schedule of Bills.

Pres. Surrency announced the following application:

Block Off Street, North Street, from David Fuentes, Assembly of God, for November 15, 2014, 1 pm to 5 pm.

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Spence to approve the application which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency announced no reports received.

Pres. Surrency called upon Council for remarks.

Councilman Thompson no comments.

Councilman Zapolski thanked all the people here and voters who took the time to vote on election day.

Councilman Zapolski reminded those present of the demonstration launching of the rocket ship Saturday, November 8, 2014, at noon at the Bridgeton Soccer Field and that there may be others being launched also.

Councilman Spence commented that he appreciates people when they come to microphone and express their concerns about the City and we do respond as quickly as we can but may not be when they want.

Councilman Spence reminded them of the Christmas Parade and House Tour.

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple congratulated Todd Bowen thanked those present that support the City and those who voted for her giving her the opportunity to serve for four more years, she is not a politician she is a community leader and there for anyone.

Council Pres. Surrency called Todd Bowen and Administrator for a picture together and then his mother also and congratulated him.

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,

Approved:

Darlene J. Richmond
Municipal Clerk

Jack Surrency
Council President

Date: _____