

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
May 17, 2016

ATTENDANCE:

Pres. Edwards
Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple
Councilman Spence
Councilman Surrency
Councilman Zapolski
Administrator Dale Goodreau
Municipal Solicitor Rebecca Bertram

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Edwards

STATEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE: Deputy Clerk read statement of meeting notice, "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 May 13, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the Daily Journal and the Press of Atlantic City on May 13, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENTATION:

Lifeguards – Kathy Cooper, American Red Cross Lifeguard Instructor since 1975, and has certified lifeguards in the South Jersey area and willing to train and certify lifeguards for recruitment by the City. Also mention various programs and activities for the swimming area, water and raceway. She volunteered and willing to do the training for the cost of the certificate.

Discussion regarding various other utilization and terms of the Lifeguards, during discussion Robert Thompson committed a thousand dollars to help with the Lifeguards. Clair Miller stated the need of Hispanic Lifeguards to teach our Hispanic community and he would help raise money for the cause.

Maria Garcia volunteered to inform Hispanic community.

WINN Companies, potential new owners of Bridgeton Villas Apartments. David Ginsberg, Project Director made presentation and requesting a Resolution of need for Bridgeton Villa Apartment, so that they can move ahead with process of securing NJHMFA financing for the project.

AGENDA REVIEW

C. Invocation/Flag Lugardo-Hemple

F. Work Session Minutes correction, Mr. Zapolski comments made concerning Schedule of Bills concerning pre-employment fee exam, which the Clerk pointed out.

G-1 Councilman Zapolski inquired why the reduction of Council salary? Councilman Surrency responded that he suggested the reduction to assist in the Budget and tax increase. A discussion concerning the Budget and tax increase was ensued. It was agreed to add the Mayor's salary also to the amending ordinance.

G-2 Administrator pointed out word changes in the ordinance for Flood Damage Prevention.

J-4 Resolution closing Commerce and Riverfront October 1. Mayor commented on the myth of Bridgeton being Gotham City home of superhero Batman. The City will capitalize on that with a celebration on the Riverfront.

J-5 Administrator stated that the Resolution was necessary due to LFB decision not to dissolve the Port.

J-6 to J-11 Resolutions was agreed to act upon these resolutions separately.

ADDITIONS

Resolution CDBG allocations (discussion-change in distributions, will be acted upon separately)

Resolution for shared services with Borough of Shiloh

Resolution for modification of contract for Baltimore Avenue

Resolution for State to enforce Elevator inspection

Resolution to cancel Bridge Building Grant

Resolution granting veteran tax exemption

Resolution granting senior citizen tax exemption

Resolution New Jersey Ethanol LLC (added after Executive Session)

L-2 Application Councilman Zapolski suggested removal due to inadequate application which was agreed.

COMMITTEE LIASION REPORTS: None

OTHER BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC PORTION: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon motion by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Zapolski that
RESOLUTION NO. 125-16, to enter into an executive session to discuss: Litigation: New Jersey Ethanol LLC which motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion, it was moved by Mr. Spence and seconded by Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple that the Work Session be adjourned which motion was carried.

Pres. Edwards adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

J. Curtis Edwards, Council President

Date: _____