

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
March 3, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

Councilman Edwards
Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple
Councilman Spence
Councilman Zapolski
Council Pres. Jack Surrency
Mayor Kelly
Administrator Goodreau
Municipal Solicitor Bertram

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Surrency

STATEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE: 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 February 27, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the South Jersey Times and the Press on February 27, 2015 at 4:30 pm.

PRESENTATION: Chief Police Mark W. Ott and Richard H. Norcross representative from CSI Technology Group gave a presentation regarding upgrade Records Management System for the Police Department.

AGENDA REVIEW

C- Invocation/Flag Salute by Councilwoman Lugardo Hemple

F. Minutes of the Council meeting of February 17, 2015 were corrected adding Pres. Surrency vote on the Capital Improvement Bond Ordinance.

J-1 Resolution Councilman Spence questioned if the problem could have been picked up prior to the award and Councilman Zapolski pointed out this was a new scope of work and details should be presented to Council prior to the offered resolution, along with the contract and we should receive changes prior to and not after the fact, after discussion it was agreed to remove the resolution and await for farther details.

J-4 Resolution to affirm purchase of ladder truck, Councilman Spence commended Chief Bowen for all the work done by him and his staff

Chief Bowen thanked Council for approving the Resolution.

J-5 Resolution – Councilman Spence questioned the need for the Resolution.

Comptroller explained due to other financial aspects regarding long term debt disclosure and does not fall under her responsibility and stated that it was also recommended by the Bond Counsel.

It was asked that to look into the possibility of one Bond Counsel during both it may be cheaper.

Comptroller pointed out the cost would come out of the Professional Service Finance.

J-6 Resolution supporting S2642/A3952 Councilman Zapolski questioned what the Life Time Line for Bridgeton is and will this benefit the City? Administrator responded he did not know the Life Line for Bridgeton and he will check into it.

J-7 Resolution would be discussed in executive session prior to placing it on the agenda.

K- Schedule of Bills - Administrator added the Medical Billing to the Schedule which increased the Schedule of Bills to \$1,467,465.90.

M Reports - Councilman Zapolski pointed out that the Historic District Commission Report was in complete and did not meet the Code requirements. It was agreed to have letter of request be sent to Historic Commission from the Council President for a completed report.

COMMITTEE LIASION REPORTS:

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple reported that the Bridgton Housing Authority has applied for a security grant again this year and the Library is going to have a Concert, March 13, 2015 and they are working on other activities also.

Councilman Edwards reported he met with the Fire Chief Bowen it was enlightening situation and was impressed with amount of work they do. He was disappointed that there were no more volunteers.

Councilman Zapolski reported on the Makers Day at the Library on March 20, 2015 regarding the many activities that will be going on 10 am to 3 pm/

OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilman Spence expressed concern over the recording system in the Chambers and to have it repaired.

Mayor Kelly presented a media release for Bridgeton to create water study committee to examine privatization.

Councilman Zapolski raised the issue of the New Jersey Ethanol. Solicitor Bertram stated that Mr. Fisher would be present on March 17, 2015 with explanations.

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple inquired on the possibility of the joint Libraries, Mayor Kelly responded that the possibility of it happening is small because of the findings when the study was completed.

Administrator distributed information regarding the concept of joint court with Fairfield Township for Council's consideration before the next meeting. (Ordinance and Resolution)

Administrator addressed the issue requested by Mr. Spence on the UEZ Second Generation spending was handed out for their review any questions to be sent to the Administrator.

Administrator stated he has received the Recreation Bylaws and they have been sent to the Solicitor for review after which they will be sent to Council. After discussion it was agreed to have the Recreation Committee in sometime in April.

Administrator reported an Ethics Course will be held on April 8, 2015 at 10 am and asked Council to inform him if planning to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that RESOLUTION NO. 78-15 to enter into an executive session to discuss Litigation: Angel Santiago vs. City of Bridgeton, Brown vs. City of Bridgeton, City of Bridgeton vs. Seagrave and Port Authority, Personnel: Fire Department which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original Resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Administrator announced he has E-mailed information regarding Cincy Williams presentation to Council and meeting will be arranged.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Council Pres. Surrency adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Jack Surrency, Council President

Date: _____