

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
AUGUST 16, 2016**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple  
Councilman Spence  
Councilman Surrency  
Councilman Zapolski  
Council Pres. Edwards  
Administrator Dr. Stephanie Bush-Baskette  
Municipal Solicitor Rebecca Bertram  
Mayor Albert Kelly

**CALLED TO ORDER:** President 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 August 12, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the Daily Journal, South Jersey Times and the Press of Atlantic City on August 12, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

**PRESENTATION:** None

**AGENDA REVIEW**

C. Invocation/Flag: Spence

H-1 Ordinance changing the name of Mill Street to Blue Bowman Way – a discussion arose regarding residents being notified and their input. Councilman Surrency assured Council resident had no problem with the change.

J-1 Resolution award Fire Department Uniforms last meeting question regarding limit to be placed in Resolution. Administrator stated it is now in the Resolution, \$20,000.

J-3 Resolution MOU with Gateway Community Action Partnership, Administrator explained this allows her to sign the Resolution and MOU due to conflict with Mayor.

Councilman Zapolski pointed out that it is not necessary for the Mayor to sign Resolutions.

Administrator stated that she is aware that in some municipalities that is true.

Councilman Spence inquired if this was time sensitive as he did not receive a copy of the MOU prior to the meeting this evening. (MOU was distributed at this time).

Councilman Zapolski recommended that it be removed from the agenda as he has found some discrepancy in amount and other differences and for clarification of the scope of the project. Council agreed to remove the Resolution from the Agenda.

J-9 Resolution appointment to Port Authority at the end of discussion it was agreed that the individual would be sent a Rice Notice to attend the September 6, 2016 Council Meeting.

K Schedule of Bills amount was changed to add the Hortense Headly Scholarship amount of \$3,000 making the total \$607,101.32.

**COMMITTEE LIASION REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple reported that the Splash Park has been very busy the Jazz Concert was very successful. Library received Grant from Veterans Traveling Exhibit which called Director of the Library who elaborated on Grant.

Councilman Surrency thanked the Fire Department and Police Department who supported Fairfield Township on the passing of their Fire Chief William Ridgeway.

Mayor commented on the article in Press regarding the expansion of Rutgers Food Invocation and possibility completed by next year and also of other another facility possibly locating there. He further stated that the Bridgeton Baseball Tournament, this may be last year due to lack of membership due to retirements of members, will be looking into that.

Mayor reported Jerome Cassidy and one of our police officers were taken ill and encouraged those present to pray for them.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Business Administrator stated that the Historic District Commission will be adding new members and asked if anyone knows of someone, to submit their names to her. Also notices will be placed on the web page.

Administrator also explained the Classes of Membership.

Mayor reiterated on request for names being submitted.

Councilman Zapolski stated he would rather speak to the Historic District issue in close session. Mr. Zapolski distributed and elaborated upon an Ordinance entitled: Establishing A Water Utility Revitalization Funding Plan for Council's consideration.

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple inquired about the status of the Ethanol Building. Solicitor responded that their attorney is supposed to be getting information for Administrator.

They are waiting for a final letter from DEP and we are still waiting on that.

Mayor reported that they have just received it and they will be contacting the City.

Mayor reported on ID Cards that the City will be following the procedure similar to the Motor Vehicle Agency and it would be handled by Police Department.

He also stated that they are gathering information from other municipalities on their way of implementing ID Cards.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Upon motion by Mr. Spence and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that RESOLUTION NO. 204-16, to enter into an executive session to discuss Personnel: City Council, which motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

**PUBLIC PORTION: NONE**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Pres. Edwards adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

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Darlene J. Richmond  
Municipal Clerk

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J. Curtis Edwards, Council President

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