

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
November 16, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

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

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Surrency

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 November 12, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the South Jersey Times and the Press on November 12, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENTATION/S: Councilman Spence introduced Mr. Steven J. Paul, the new Executive Director Bridgeton Main Street.

AGENDA REVIEW

E. Presentation by Mayor and Chief Gaimari

C- Invocation/Flag Salute- Mayor Kelly

G-1 Property Maintenance Ordinance Administrator explained the need for additional wording to be included "for all owners and occupiers to property"; this will clarify it in court.

G-2 taxicab Ordinance Mr. Zapolski pointed out that he sees no need for Ordinance would just cause additional cost the applicant, removed from the agenda for further discussion..

J-1 Resolution Fire Department Vehicle Councilman Spence inquired concerning need. Administrator explained that this will be for the arson dog which you must have a vehicle for and the officer.

J-2 Resolution coin drop PAL, Mayor stated that Officer Cramp will be at the 6:30 meeting if there is any question regarding his Resolution.

J-6 Resolution road closure for holiday parade, Councilman Spence stated that they have added at the pocket park prior to the parade face painting and hot chocolate.

ADDITIONS CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution reduction in performance bond Seventh Day Adventist Spanish Church.

Resolution modification of contract for sidewalks Mayor Aitken Drive Phase II.

Added under Other Business by Administrator

Resolution rejects bids for relocation of Vo-Tech Buildings.

COMMITTEE LIASION REPORTS:

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple reported that he event on Sunday with Madam C J Walker was very successful at the Library and very well attended.

Thanked the Fire Department for repairing the lights in the back of the Library.

Councilman Spence on the holiday house tour there is a list of where all the tickets are being sold: Library, Sheppard House, Bridgeton Main Street Office, Gallery, Hummels, Amish Market and By Our Hands.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Administrator presented a roundabout concept plan for County Road 621 at W. Park Drive and Mayor Aitken Drive submitted by the County Public Works Director John Knoop, after discussion it was agreed to have Mr. Knoop at the next meeting to respond to Council questions.

Administrator presented information requested regarding the Landfill Closure pointing out with the Bond we can go forward with the project. Discussion at conclusion Mayor is the meet with consultant regarding conclusive park plan and will forward information to Council.

Councilman Spence pointed out there is no plan for down town it was to be a Culinary District and now seems to have gone in another direction seeing banners about the Cumberland County College, when the Pocket Park was known as the Pocket Park Culinary District Park.

Mayor pointed out the banners and flags regarding the College downtown was placed there due to the celebration of the opening of the college.

Administrator reported one bid received for the relocation of the Vo-Tech Buildings and recommended that the bid be rejected due to the amount which was agreed and Resolution be placed on agenda.

Administrator reported Chart CY-2015 Caseload of 15 Municipal Courts.

Administrator presented recommendation for 2016 sewer rate increase of 2%, Council agreed upon and Ordinance will be placed on the next Council Meeting.

Administrator reported the RFP for professionals services will be advertised on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 and December 10, 2015 they are due.

Councilman Zapolski recommended to replace South Jersey Times as the official newspaper with Daily Journal, at conclusion of discussion, the Clerk was to obtain the present rates.

Mayor Kelly presented concept of the County Library possibly closing which Council supported.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple and second by Councilman Zapolski, that RESOLUTION NO. 334-15 was authorized in order to enter into executive session to discuss: Litigation: 40 Bank Street, Lawson vs. City and Port Authority. The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Mayor Kelly presented Little Free Libraries concept, boxes donated by the Daily Journal.

PUBLIC PORTION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion, it was moved by Councilman Spence and seconded by Councilman Zapolski that the Work Session be adjourned which motion was carried.

Pres. Surrency adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Jack Surrency, Council President

Date: _____