

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
August 6, 2013

ATTENDANCE:

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

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Lugardo-Hemple

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 August 2, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the South Jersey Times and the Press on August 2, 2013 at 4:30 pm.

PRESENTATION: Director Bridgeton Library, Courtenay Reece, was introduced by Administrator Dale Goodreau the new Library Director.

Ms. Reece gave a brief background of herself and her vision for the Library.

AGENDA REVIEW:

C - Councilman Thompson will give invocation and flag salute

G-1 Pres. Lugardo-Hemple thanked those involved in amending the Ordinance regarding Parks and Recreation Area.

J-1 Administrator explained this clarified the location as we had problem with the previous lease agreement with the location which he elaborated upon.

J-2 Administrator commented that the present contractor from last year did not fulfill their obligations has not performed well and we ended up terminating their contract. So we are authorizing to go out to bid for maintenance of Fire Department Apparatus.

Councilman Zapolski asked if there was a penalty for the contractor for lack of performing. Administrator explained in some contracts there is but not in this case. Solicitor also explained they might want to argue the reasoning which would cost the City.

J-3 Administrator explained the Bills and reason for opposing same as it will take it away the fee we are receiving for rental registration from the local authority.

J-4 Administrator informed Council he did look into the stipulation regarding Zoo being unable to charge a fee for the Zoo is not correct and is not in the County agreement.

J-5 Councilman Zapolski stated that the Rules and Regulations were very comprehensive. Administrator commented that they were prepared in house.

Additions J-6, 7 and 8

J-6 and J-7 Administrator elaborated upon and pointed out the amount of savings to the City on the purchase of energy generation services on an online auction website will be saving \$160,000 for both together in the next two years for electrical supply cost.

J-8 Councilman Zapolski stated that the certification of funds needed to be added to this Resolution which will be done.

K It was pointed out the large amount of the Schedule of Bills was due to the CCUA Sewer bill, County and School taxes.

L. Application for Gospel Street Services was discussed, and it was agreed to place on agenda and Councilman Thompson will obtain more information regarding same.

LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Surrency reported the Library is doing good.

Councilman Spence announced the Crab Fest on August 24, 2013, elaborated upon the Bridgeton Monopoly Game fund raiser for the Bridgeton Holiday Parade.

Mayor thanked Councilman Spence for the work he does with Main Street and Downtown and especially during the fire.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor thanked those who worked on the Ordinance regarding Park and Recreation area especially Councilman Zapolski.

Administrator stated that it is time again to apply for transportation grant under Municipal Aid, engineer is working on it and once we get it together we will be able to go forward with the walking trails in the park and sidewalks, but this aid grant will have to be in by early October and the engineer is working on that.

Administrator also reported on the Splash Park that a video camera system was just put in, our expense cost \$20,608 and our income is \$13,815. In addition income of \$1,200 for parties and all party spots have been sold and averaging 197 people a day.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon motion by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Thompson

RESOLUTION NO. 35-13 authorizing executive session to discuss Contract- Bob Novick, Litigation - Port Authority, and Personnel – E-Mail Council was adopted by unanimous roll call. 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 Mr. Surrency that the Work Session be adjourned which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond
Municipal Clerk

Approved:

Gladys Lugardo-Hemple
Council President

Date:_____