

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

November 18, 2013

ATTENDANCE:

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple
Councilman Spence
Councilman Surrency
Councilman Zapolski
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 November 14, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the South Jersey Times and the Press on November 14, 2013 at 4:30 pm.

PRESENTATION: None

AGENDA REVIEW:

C - Councilman Spence will give invocation and flag salute.

J-5 Resolution removed from Agenda, Administrator explained departments wanted more time to scrutinize and he gave them until December 10. Council requested copies, which will be distributed.

J-2 Resolution Administrator reported there would be no cost to the City and they are County Inmates not South Wood Inmates, this will give us additional workforce for Public Works Department

J-3 Resolution, Solicitor explained the lien actually never existed and it needs to be removed, discharge demolition documents.

J-6 Resolution was added authorizing advertisement of RFP for revaluation of real property. The RFP was distributed to Council.

M Reports the Vital Statistics Report was added.

Administrator stated the Zoning Board Report has to be approved by the Board.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Councilman Spence brought to Council discussion regarding need for restroom facilities (Port a Pot) in the downtown area after which it was agreed to look into the possibilities and revisit the matter.

Mr. Spence further reported on Christmas Parade, will need volunteers, House Tour, Festival of Lights, and Monopoly Game things being set for the Holidays.

Councilman Surrency reported on the Historic District Commission Award Dinner very successful.

Council Pres. Lugardo-Hemple also commented on the Historic Commission Award Dinner also and reported that the downtown businesses are in agreement with sound system for downtown and also on the Festival of Lights that there will be some new additions. She also reported that over 200 Thanksgiving Baskets, if any one knows of anyone in need to submit their name, will be given out and that Indian Avenue School will giving out 45 baskets.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Administrator reported on the Splash Park finances and distributed an accounting operating cost and revenue chart; and that they are looking into better floor traction.

Administrator reported on the Recreation Dedication Rider Trust Budget account status with a distribution of the budget account chart.

Administrator informed Council of the Sidewalk Display Permits with specific rules to be issued through the Zoning Office for downtown merchants.

Administrator reported on the Certified Local Government issue and the cost to the City in preparation of the application does not seem feasible. After lengthy discussion it was agreed to inquire into the matter further and revisit the issue.

Councilman Zapolski inquired about the Towing Application appeal, Administrator reported he had addressed the issue with the owner and he has not responded.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 112- 13 authorizing an executive session to discuss Litigation: Port Authority Property, Taylor vs. City, Public Safety: Bridgeton Villas/Glen Park and Personnel: appointment of CFO 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. Surrency and second by Mr. Zapolski that the Work Session be adjourned which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Darlene J. Richmond,
Municipal Clerk

Gladys Lugardo-Hemple
Council President
Date: _____