CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., City of Bridgeton Police and Municipal Court Complex, 330 Fayette Street, Bridgeton, New Jersey in Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Gladys Lugardo-Hemple.

The Statement of Meeting Notice was read by Municipal Clerk, Darlene J. Richmond, "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 pm
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on November 14, 2013, at 4:30 p.m. Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Spence.

The following answered to roll call:

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple
Mr. Spence
Mr. Surrency
                                        Absent: Mr. Thompson
Mr. Zapolski

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon the Mayor for presentations.

Mayor made the following presentations:

Proclamation to Ms. Kristi Berry, teacher at Broad Street School, for her, and her class for taking care of the World War II Monument at the Broad Street School.

Proclamation to A'shun Robbins and Angelita Rodriguez has made Bridgeton proud for their outstanding boxing skills.

Pres. Lugardo- Hemple presented the Public Session minutes from the Meeting of November 6, 2013, the Work Session of November 6, 2013.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Surrency to dispense with the reading of said minutes as all members received copies and said minutes be approved as received which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced no Ordinances for first reading.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced no Ordinances for second reading.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced this is the time for comments on the consent agenda or any other matter of concern the public desires to address Council.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency second by Mr. Zapolski that the meeting be opened to the public for any one desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard.

Ms. Carol Hoffman, registered complaint of tax increase and asked what department is causing the increase.
Administrator Goodreau responded that no particular department caused the increase but due to various other reasons the increase was necessary.

Mr. Michael Abbott, commented on enforcement of ordinances and the Sidewalk Display Ordinance discussed at the Work Session.
Councilman Zapolski informed him that the sidewalk displays discussed was not an ordinance but a special permit.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Zapolski to close the public portion of the meeting, which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple closed the public portion of the meeting.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced all matters listed under the consent agenda J-1 through J-6 will be enacted upon by one motion, if discussion is desired that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be acted upon separately. Items J-5 was removed and item J-6 was added.

It was moved by Mr. Spence seconded by Mr. Surrency that the following Resolutions listed under the consent agenda be adopted, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book

RESOLUTION NO 113-13, authorizing professional service contract with Environmental Resolutions, Inc..
RESOLUTION NO 114-13, authorizing shared service agreement with Cumberland County for inmate labor.
RESOLUTION NO 115-13, authorizing execution of discharge of demolition documents.
RESOLUTION NO 116-13, imposing lien on various properties for abatement of property maintenance violations..
RESOLUTION NO 117-13, authorizing advertisement for Request for Proposals for Revaluation of all real property.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of $844,688.71, all members having received copies of same.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and seconded by Mr. Spence that the Schedule of Bills is approved and warrants be drawn on their various accounts and appropriations, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original schedule may be found in the files under "S" Schedule of Bills.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced the following applications:
1. Raffle: VFW Post 1795.
2. Taxicab Owner Renewal: Jaylene Cab/Transport.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Zapolski that said applications be approved and license issued, which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced the following reports received for October:

Water Sewer Department	Municipal Clerk
Police Department	Vital Statistics Office

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski that said reports be received and filed which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Mayor for remarks.

Mayor had no comments.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Council for remarks

Councilman Surrency commented on the fine work Ms. Berry and her class does on the World War II Monument and also on the Tri-County Boxing that they do great things and encouraged everyone to continue to support them.

Councilman Zapolski congratulated Ms. Berry and work effort she puts forth.
Mr. Zapolski also addressed Ms. Hoffman's concern regarding the budget but due to the cost of living and cost of services and the Administration is doing as much as they can to keep the cost of the operation of the City down and he understands and sympathizes with her and wish he had a better answer for her.

Councilman Spence, no comments.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple, thanked everyone for coming.

There being no further business to come before Council it was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Surrency to adjourn the meeting which motion was carried.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

_____   Date: _____
President Gladys Lugardo-Hemple