

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 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 City 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 March 14, 2014, at 4:30 pm

2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on March 14, 2014, at 4:30 p.m. Invocation and flag salute was led by Councilman Dennis Thompson.

The following answered to roll call:

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

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the City Council minutes of March 4, 2014 and Work Session minutes of March 4, 2014.

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Spence 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 one Ordinance for first reading.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple read an Ordinance for first reading entitled:

### ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 149 ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Spence that this ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on April 1, 2014 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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. Spence second by Mr. Zapski that the meeting be opened to the public for anyone desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

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

Ms. Gail Robinson, former Library Director, addressed Council on the budget and funding of the Library and hopes that this Administration and Council will do all it can to maintain the services of the Library.

Mr. Carl Hemple informed Council that a newspaper reporter assigned to us from the South Jersey News now has his own radio program on 92.1 on Saturdays from 12 noon to 2 pm. He believes it will be an asset to the City because he does believe in Bridgeton and promotes Bridgeton.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapski that the public hearing be closed 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-12 will be enacted upon by one motion, with item J-5 removed and J-12 added during the Work Session. Items J-8 and J-12 will be acted upon separately.

RESOLUTION NO. 207-13, In Rem Tax Foreclosure.

RESOLUTION NO. 208-13, amending resolution 186-13, Municipal Prosecutor.

RESOLUTION NO. 209-13, requesting insertion of revenue in budget from shared service agreement with Galloway Township.

RESOLUTION NO. 210-13, authorizing senior citizen tax exemption.

RESOLUTION NO. 211-13, veterans tax exemption.

RESOLUTION NO. 212-13, authorizing reduction of performance bond, BV Real Estate, LLC

RESOLUTION NO. 213-13, OPPOSING Assembly Bill A-438 rental properties.

RESOLUTION NO. 214-13, authorizing award to Wharton Hardware and Supply Corporation.

RESOLUTION NO. 215-13, authorizing tax office make changes.

It was moved by Mr. Spence seconded by Mr. Thompson that the Resolutions listed under the consent agenda be adopted, items J-8 and J-12 acted upon separately, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 216-13, authorizing UEZ funds for Main Street Association Programming was adopted by roll call vote with Mr. Spence abstaining. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Upon motion by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Zapolski  
RESOLUTION NO. 217-13, authorizing UEZ loan funds for Bridgeton Port Authority was adopted by roll call vote with Mr. Surrency and Pres. Lugardo-Hemple abstaining. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$286,796.52, all members having received copies of same.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson 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 no applications.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple announced the following reports:

Municipal Clerk (February)  
Police Department (February)

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

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

Mayor Kelly had no comments.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple called upon Council for remarks.

Councilman Surrency no comments.

Councilman Thompson no comments.

Councilman Zapolski no comments.

Councilman Spence no comments.

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

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond  
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

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President Gladys Lugardo-Hemple

Date: \_\_\_\_\_