

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 16, 2018**

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 5:30 p.m., at the 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 Edwards

The Statement of Meeting Notice was read by Municipal Clerk, Kathleen L. Keen; Notice of this meeting of the City Council of the City of Bridgeton, as required by N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., the "Open Public Meetings Act", has been provided by a public advertisement to the South Jersey Times and the Daily Journal on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 of a schedule adopted by resolution setting forth the time, date and place of all the meetings of the City Council of the City of Bridgeton.

Invocation and flag salute was led by Mayor Kelly

The following answered to roll call:

Councilman Edward Bethea

Councilwoman Rosemary DeQuinzio

Councilman Samuel Feinstein

Absent-Councilman Michael Zapolski, Sr.

Council President Edwards

Also in attendance:

Mayor Albert Kelly

Administrator Dr. Stephanie Bush-Baskette

Solicitor Rebecca J. Bertram

Municipal Clerk Kathleen L. Keen

President Edwards presented the Work Session, Council Meeting, and Executive Session Minutes of October 2, 2018. It was moved by Councilman Bethea and seconded by Councilman Feinstein that said minutes be approved and to dispense with the reading of said minutes as all members have received copies. The motion carried unanimously.

President Edwards announced there were no ordinances for first reading.

President Edwards announced two ordinances for second reading:

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON  
AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE  
CITY OF BRIDGETON**

It was moved by Councilman Feinstein and second by Councilwoman DeQuinzio this be considered the second reading of said ordinance and the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter which motion was carried.

President Edwards opened the meeting to the public for any one desiring to be heard on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Councilman Feinstein and second by Councilwoman DeQuinzio the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

It was moved by Councilman Feinstein and second by Councilwoman DeQuinzio this be considered the final reading of said ordinance and that it be taken up for adoption or rejection by roll call vote.

**The Clerk called the roll as follows:**

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Bethea	X			
Councilwoman DeQuinzio	X			
Councilman Feinstein	X			
Councilman Zapolski				X
President Edwards	X			

President Edwards declared the ordinance adopted becoming **ORDINANCE NO. 18-22** the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON  
AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF HALSFORD AVENUE**

It was moved by Councilman Feinstein and second by Councilman Bethea this be considered the second reading of said ordinance and the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter which motion was carried.

President Edwards opened the meeting to the public for any one desiring to be heard on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

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Councilwoman DeQuinzio	X			
Councilman Feinstein	X			
Councilman Zapolski				X
President Edwards	X			

President Edwards declared the ordinance adopted becoming **ORDINANCE NO. 18-23** the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

President Edwards announced this is the time for anyone who desires to address council on the consent agenda or any other matter.

It was moved by Councilman Feinstein and seconded by Councilwoman DeQuinzio the meeting be opened to the public for anyone desiring to address council on the consent agenda or any other matters, which motion was carried.

President Edwards opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard.

Mr. Mike Abbott spoke of making residents aware when streets are going to be blocked off, and security concerns at the library.

Ms. Linda McFadden, Library Director thanked Councilmembers DeQuinzio and Bethea for attending the recent book signing event. She also thanked the Fire and Police Departments for always helping out at the library, as well as the Administration Department. Lastly she announced upcoming events at the library.

With no one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Councilman Feinstein and second by Councilwoman DeQuinzio the public portion be closed, which motion was carried.

President Edwards closed the public portion of the meeting.

President Edwards announced all matters listed under the consent agenda J-1 through J-18 will be enacted upon by one motion unless a council member desires to discuss an item, in which case the items will be removed from the consent agenda and acted upon separately.

**RESOLUTION NO. 242-18** BACC Lifetime Achievement Award David J. Hemple

**RESOLUTION NO. 243-18** BACC Community Leadership Award Laurie LaTorre

**RESOLUTION NO. 244-18** BACC Community Leadership Award Bruce Riley

**RESOLUTION NO. 245-18** BACC Agricultural Award Overdevest Nurseries

**RESOLUTION NO. 246-18** BACC Retail Award C & J Electronics

**RESOLUTION NO. 247-18** BACC Professional Award Mirella L. Piccioni

**RESOLUTION NO. 248-18** BACC Service Award Stephanie's Haven Salon & Day Spa

**RESOLUTION NO. 249-18** BACC Industrial & Development Award Cumberland County Improvement Authority

**RESOLUTION NO. 250-18** BACC Commercial Award Thompson Enterprise & Realty

**RESOLUTION NO. 251-18** appointing zoning officer for the City of Bridgeton

**RESOLUTION NO. 252-18** requesting approval for the insertion of a special item of revenue for the FY 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

**RESOLUTION NO. 253-18** authorizing Interlocal Services between the City of Bridgeton and the County of Cumberland with regard to the Meals on Wheels Program

**RESOLUTION NO. 254-18** approving extension of closing date on agreement with Cumberland County Improvement Authority

**RESOLUTION NO. 255-18** appointing a Risk Management Consultant

**RESOLUTION NO. 256-18** appointing a Fund Commissioner

**RESOLUTION NO. 257-18** granting senior citizen tax exemption

**RESOLUTION 258-18** authorizing a person to person transfer of a liquor license from Velco Corporation to Terrigno, Cosmo P

**RESOLUTION NO. 259-18** authorizing and approving a contract between the City of Bridgeton and the Bridgeton Benevolent Association Superior Officers, Local #94A

It was moved by Councilman Bethea and second by Councilwoman DeQuinzio that said Resolutions be adopted which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book.

President Edwards asked Council for a motion to approve the Schedule of Bills dated October 16, 2018 in the amount of \$1,324,940.84.

It was moved by Councilman Feinstein and second by Councilwoman DeQuinzio that the Schedule of Bills be approved as read and warrants be drawn on their various accounts and appropriations, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original schedules may be found in the Clerk's Files under "S" Schedule of Bills.

President Edwards announced three (3) applications for approval.

1. Block Off Street-Parish of the Holy Cross Religious Procession Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm-8:15pm
2. Block Off Street-Parish of the Holy Cross Religious Procession Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-8pm
3. Block Off Street-Bridgeton Christian Ministers Association Worship Service Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 5 6:30pm

It was moved by Councilwoman DeQuinzio and second by Councilman Bethea that said applications be received and filed which motion carried unanimously.

President Edwards announced four (4) reports for approval.

1. Municipal Clerk Report September 2018
2. Resident ID 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report September 2018
3. Cash Receipts Report September 2018
4. Zoning Report September – October 4, 2018

It was moved by Councilwoman DeQuinzio and second by Councilman Feinstein that said reports be received and filed which motion carried unanimously.

President Edwards called upon Mayor Kelly for comments – None at this time.

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Councilwoman DeQuinzio – encouraged everyone to come to the library on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Councilman Feinstein – reminded everyone to get out and vote.

Councilman Bethea – stated while recently speaking with residents most are concerned with roads, infrastructure, and the crime situation in the city. Councilman Bethea said he will keep this on the forefront and will speak at every council meeting about the situation.

He spoke of the city having limited resources, and the possibility of installing cameras to help the police department; he also said more lights are needed throughout the city. Councilman Bethea then spoke of crime statistics in the city, Chief Gaimari noted he will include additional statistic breakdowns in the monthly and quarterly police department reports. Lastly Councilman Bethea encouraged all to come out and vote.

President Edwards – reminded everyone of the November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting cancellation. He then called upon Public Works Director Dellaquila to explain the new equipment approved by council for Public Works Department. President Edwards said Coffee with a Cop was a great event, and Boo at the Zoo will be this weekend. He addressed Mr. Abbott’s concerns with street closings, noting the application packet has forms reminding the applicant they must notify residents. Lastly, President Edwards thanked everyone for coming to the meeting, noting council appreciates their attendance.

There being no further business to come before Council, it was moved by Councilman Bethea and second by Councilman Feinstein to adjourn the meeting which motion was carried.

President Edwards adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED

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Kathleen L. Keen, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

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J. Curtis Edwards  
Council President

Date Approved: November 20, 2018