

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
July 16, 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 July 12, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the South Jersey Times and the Press on July 12, 2013 at 4:30 pm.

PRESENTATION: None

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple addressed Council regarding Items to be placed on Agenda that she be advised when they have a resolution or ordinance to be placed on the agenda.

AGENDA REVIEW:

C- Invocation/Flag Salute by Councilman Surrency

G-1 Zapolski commented this ordinance has been brought up to date from the August, 2012 discussion and reviewed by Mayor and Director Park Recreation.

Discussion concerning the Ordinance was entered into with various inquires regarding different areas, it was agreed to have Councilman Zapolski and Administrator meet in regards to the concerns and bring it back to Council at the next meeting, as for tonight it will be removed from the agenda.

J-1 Councilman Spence explained this is in regards to specific park projects and will also include the Hopewell Green Acres area also.

J-4 Solicitor Bertram gave back ground information and explained the increase offer from \$200 to \$600, discussion entered into regarding increase of the cost of sale at the conclusion of which it was agreed to accept the offer.

J-8 Councilman Thompson inquired for clarification, Administrator explained this is an option offered by the contractor for a second year at the same cost.

J-9 Councilman Thompson inquired in regards to the rejection, Administrator explained that it was such a disparity in the bids and the lowest bidder had discrepancy issue in the bid it was decided to reject all bids.

J-11 Solicitor Bertram explained this a continuation of the Hopewell Green Acres Project.

J-12 Councilman Spence asked that this be acted upon separately, so that he may reclude himself.

J-13 Councilman Zapolski inquired who be doing this shared service, Administrator stated Fire Inspectors.

J-14 Administrator explained the issuance of duplicate tax sale certificate as can not find the original certificate and there is charge for a duplicate.

J- 15 Administrator explained reason for rescinding Resolution 301-12 as this is a reallocation of funds not a new insertion of funds available as interpreted.

Addition Clerk presented Resolution from Comptroller authorizing transfer in budget appropriations, which Council agreed to place on agenda becoming item J-16.

LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Thompson commented as we know the Mayor has a plan for stopping the violence and the police department is doing a good job. He brought to Council's attention that a local Pastor Bishop David Hadley of Glory Tabernacle Church is running campaign called start snitching and has initiated the policy in his congregation called Snitching in support of stopping violence in the area by having Tee Shirts made (which he displayed) with the acronym meaning Sharing Needed Information That Can Help.

Pres. Lugardo-Hemple informed Council on the Budget seminar she attended in Trenton, it was quite an experience, gives you a better understanding of the budget and also commented on the knowledge of our Business Administrator they may implement some of his ideas.

Administrator Goodreau distributed copies of the user friendly budget section.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Administrator presented concept of a project to save electricity for our City for sub electric company billing make presentation at next meeting.

Administrator reported on public contract compliance officer audit, City is in compliance with State requirements.

Administrator reported that the parking enforcement officer has been transferred and hired in the code enforcement officer, so we are now advertising for a parking enforcement officer.

Councilman Spence inquired about C & H raceway debris removal.

Administrator stated should be completed in two weeks and once they are completed we will go out to bid for the rest of the construction but still need FEMA approval.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 18-13 authorizing executive session to discuss litigation regarding a police court matter 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,

Approved:

Darlene J. Richmond
Municipal Clerk

Gladys Lugardo-Hemple
Council President

Date:_____