

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
November 15, 2010

ATTENDANCE:

Councilwoman Lugardo-Hemple
Councilman Surrency
Councilman Thompson
Councilman Zapolski
Pres. Spence
Mayor Kelly
Mun. Solicitor Baker/Bertram

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Spence

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 10, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on November 10, 2010 at 4:30 pm.

AGENDA REVIEW:

F-1 Solicitor Bertram gave Council brief explanation regarding the Ordinance and revertter clause in same.

I-4 Director Public Works Dean Dellaquila explained agreement with County years ago in specifications city has no alternative.

I-5 Solicitor Bertram explained cause of extension due to new owners

I-7 Question arose concerning amount and budget, Council was informed it would be in the amount of \$6,000 and come from the Fire Department's Budget

I-8 Director Public Works Dean Dellaquila brought Council up to date on the various road projects, leaf pick up and clean up route for Christmas tour needed, plans for Christmas decorations for next year. Councilman Zapolski suggested use of LED lights would be a savings.

I-9 Director Dellaquila stated surplus equipment being old.

K-3 Temporary Signs Domino Pizza, Council denied need more information will request them to come in.

K-4 Temporary Signs Eatmor Payless Council discussed and agreed to grant permit with Only four signs permitted, and for a time period of no more than fourteen days.

Council also agreed that those placing signs up without permit would be given only one warning and time frame would be for only two weeks and a fee would also be established along with the number of signs.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS/CONCERNS

Director Public Works Dean Dellaquila introduced the new Water/Sewer Director Mark Lavenberg who thanked City for giving him this opportunity.

Mayor welcomed him on board and thanked Mr. Dellaquila for serving in the interim he did a great job.

Councilman Thompson presented request from Mr. Rivera regarding an alley way, placing a gate to deter problems that have occurred.

Solicitor Baker informed Council that it must be determined if alley is privately owned or City owned and if privately the residents must agree upon the gate.

Councilman Thompson will contact Mr. Rivera regarding the matter and Council has agreed upon Mr. Thompson's recommendation.

Councilman Zapolski inquired about the OPRA alert on the reduced cost which came in effect on November 9 and which may revert back.

Solicitor was directed to look into the matter.

Mr. Zapolski also informed those present that the petition concerning the DMV is now on the City web site.

Council discussed the revised Taxi Ordinance due to information received from Police Department and decided to hold the Ordinance until after further discussion with the Police Department, Solicitor, Mayor and President Spence.

PUBLIC PORTION

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that the work session be opened to the public for any one desiring to address Council, which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence opened the meeting to the public for any one desiring to address Council.

Mr. Warren Robinson inquired about the Advance License Plate Recognition System which he recommended at last Work Session.

Pres. Spence informed him that Councilman Zapolski is looking into the possibilities and will report back after meeting with the Solicitor for input on the issue.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Mr. Thompson to adjourn the public portion of the Work Session which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence closed the public portion of the Work Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Zapolski and second by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple that RESOLUTION NO. 123-10, to enter into an executive session to discuss litigation, and contract, which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion, it was moved by Ms. Lugardo-Hemple and second by Mr. Zapolski to adjourn the Work Session which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Council President
William D. Spence