

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, July 21, 2009, immediately following Work Session Meeting, 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 Albert B. Kelly.

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 July 17, 2009 4:30 p.m.

2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on July 17, 2009 at 4:30 p.m." The invocation was delivered and flag salute led by Councilman Thompson.

The following answered to roll call:

Ms. Lugardo  
Mr. Salvatore  
Mr. Spence  
Mr. Thompson  
Pres. Kelly

Pres. Kelly presented the minutes from the meetings of July 1, 2009 and Work Session of July 1, 2009, all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and second by Ms. Lugardo that the minutes be approved and to dispense with the reading as all members have received copies, which motion was carried.

Pres. Kelly presented ordinance on first reading entitled:

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING A SUPPLEMENTAL  
APPROPRIATION OF \$100,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE  
WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IN AND BY THE CITY OF  
BRIDGETON, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY  
AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$100,000 BONDS OR  
NOTES OF THE CITY FOR FINANCING PART OF THE  
APPROPRIATION**

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Ms. Lugardo that this

Ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on August 4, 2009 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Kelly announced this being the time and place set forth for second reading, public hearing and final consideration of an ordinance entitled:

**ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 05-4 REGARDING SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS.**

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Ms. Lugardo that this be considered second reading of said ordinance and that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter which motion was carried.

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

Mr. Michael Zapolski, West Avenue, commented that he understands the driving force and the necessity for your action on this particular ordinance but he must also express his sad disappointment that it has to be done and minimizes the protection that we afford to our children by having such an ordinance repealed.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Salvatore to close the public hearing on the ordinance which motion was carried.

Pres. Kelly closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Ms. Lugardo that this be considered the third and final reading of said ordinance and that the ordinance be taken up for adoption or rejection by roll call vote which motion was carried.

The Clerk called the roll as follows:

YEAS	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lugardo			
Salvatore			
Spence	None	None	None
Thompson			
Kelly			

Pres. Kelly declared the ordinance adopted becoming

ORDINANCE NO. 09-01, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

Pres. Kelly announced the following ordinance has been removed from the agenda:

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 149-34 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

Pres. Kelly announced this being the time place set for public portion on the consent agenda or any other concerns.

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

Pres. Kelly opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard.

Mr. David Morissey, Spruce Street, registered complaint concerning water drainage at his property.

Administrator and Council addressed Mr. Morissey that the City with indemnification from him the City would see about taking care of his problem assuring him that Mr. Liston, Administrator, would be in contact with him.

Mr. Warren Robinson, Hampton Street, inquired about the Civil War Flag at City Hall being moved to the present location, Administrator stated that it will be moved to the present area as soon as proper mounts are obtained to secure it to the wall.

Mr. Robinson further expressed concern over lost historic picture which was placed in the Nail Works Museum and now no one can find it and his concern is if other items missing.

Mayor Begley responded that we are restoring the building and will reopen but the building was being used as a warehouse and was a shambles and unfortunately some historic artifacts were lost.

Mr. Robinson also stated good luck concerning the noise ordinance.

Mr. Michael Zapolski, West Avenue, brought to Council's attention concerning the complaint of the noise ordinance it was also stated that a store was being conducted in the house which would be a zoning issue also.

Mr. Zapolski also inquired about various items on the consent agenda which was addressed by the Administrator and Council.

Mr. Zapolski suggested the bringing back of the youth council which used to be held in the City and Pres. Kelly stated he would look into that possibility.

He further pointed out that there should be a set time of the regular meeting and should not be stated immediately following Work Session, which he believes does not meet the intent of the Open Public Meeting Law.

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

Pres. Kelly closed the public portion of the meeting.

Pres. Kelly read the Consent Agenda Statement:

All matters listed under items J-1, through items J-23, are considered routine and 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.

Upon motion by Ms. Lugardo seconded by Mr. Thompson 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. 21-09, authorizing memorandum of understanding for JAG for FY09.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-09, authorizing professional service contract agreement with Bowman and Company.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-09, authorizing contract for elevator inspection service.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-09, authorizing professional service agreement with Cruccio, Pepper, DeSanto, Ruth for litigated matters arising.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-09, authorizing professional service agreement with David Monie and GPM for water repairs and improvements.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-09, authorizing professional service agreement with James Maley Jr.

RESOLUTION NO. 27-09, authorizing agreement and appointment of City Solicitor and Assistant.

RESOLUTION NO. 28-09, authorizing agreement and appointment of Environmental Resolutions Inc. for planning services.

RESOLUTION NO. 29-09, authorizing sale of property to Delores and Kim Hunter, Block 187 Lot 8 and 9.

RESOLUTION NO.30-09, supporting the Over the Limit under Arrest 2009 statewide crackdown.

RESOLUTION NO. 31-09, authorizing submission to Department Housing Urban Development for NSG No. 2.

RESOLUTION NO. 32-09, authorizing UEZ loan funds to Edward Black.

RESOLUTION NO. 33-09, making application to Local Finance Board to elevate water storage tank and rehab exterior surfaces existing reservoir on West Commerce Street.

RESOLUTION NO. 34-09, authorizing execution deliver loan agreement DEP not to exceed \$2,750,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 35-09, determining form and details not to exceed \$2,750,000 general improvement bonds series 2009.

RESOLUTION NO. 36-09, authorizing transfers in FY09 budget appropriations.

RESOLUTION NO. 37-09, proclaiming National Night Out August 4, 2009.

RESOLUTION NO. 38-09, tax office make changes on water/sewer/trash accounts.

RESOLUTION NO. 39-09, authorizing veteran tax exemption.

RESOLUTION NO. 40-09, authorizing senior citizen tax exemption.

RESOLUTION NO. 41-09, approving cooperative pricing system contract in conjunction with the County.

RESOLUTION NO. 42-09, designating certain areas downtown as culinary arts district.

RESOLUTION NO. 43-09, authorizing six month deferral of payments for UEZ borrowers who are current on payments to the City.

Pres. Kelly presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$745,488.20, all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Salvatore that the Schedule of Bills be 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. Kelly announced the following application has been received.

Block off Street – Marilyn Farrell, Bridgeton Commons, Station Hill Road on August 8, 2009 at 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. for Community National Night Out Awareness Block Party.

It was moved by Mr. Salvatore and second by Ms. Lugardo approving said application and grant permit for same which motion was carried.

Pres. Kelly presented the following reports:

Municipal Clerk  
Tax Office  
Police Department

It was moved by Mr. Salvatore and seconded by Ms. Lugardo that said reports be received and filed, which motion was carried.

Pres. Kelly called upon Mayor for comments.

Mayor Begley reminded everyone of the Bridgeton Invitational Baseball Tournament, July 31, 2009, to August 16, 2009, still looking for vendors or suppliers supporting the tournament. You may contact City Hall so you can get in contact with the proper people.

Pres. Kelly called upon Council for remarks.

Councilwoman Lugardo reported on the Puerto Rican Festival and the Puerto Rican Flag raised in Vineland and Bridgeton, the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration activities and also she will be on Channel 6 for an interview around the second week in August.

Councilman Spence informed Council of Councilwoman Lugardo winning first place in design and second place in the Chili-Cook-Off in Millville.

Councilman Salvatore commented to Mr. Zapolski that his sentiments in regard to the sex offenders all here feel the same way.

Mr. Salvatore addressed Mr. Morrissey that hopefully we will finally put your problem to rest and we appreciate your patience.

Also spoke in regards to the time of our meetings that it will be addressed.

Councilman Thompson no comments.

Pres. Kelly commented he appreciates the patience of the public and council as he tries to get his legs as Council President to run the meeting.

Pres. Kelly proposed a once a year joint dinner meeting with the Board of Education which the Board has agreed upon that we can develop a relationship among ourselves as the two legislative bodies in the City, he will be talking with Council to set up a date for that joint meeting.

Pres. Kelly also commented he has an RFP to do a feasibility study to combine Bridgeton, Cumberland, and Cumberland County College Library. The RFP was developed by the County and copy will be distributed and he feels would be prudent to put the RFP out there so that we can perhaps enhance our Library.

Pres. Kelly thanked everybody for their support during the boot work camp. They had 485 campers from 11 States and 18 different churches and they were able to work on 36 homes in the City of Bridgeton.

There being no further business to come before Council, it was moved by Mr. Salvatore and seconded by Ms. Lugardo to adjourn the meeting, which motion was carried.

Pres. Kelly adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

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Council President Albert B. Kelly

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