

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, August 16, 2011 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 Michael D. Zapolski, Sr.

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 August 11, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on August 11, 2011, at 4:30 p.m. The invocation delivered and flag salute was led by Councilman Surrency

Pres. Zapolski announced the Mayor's absence, he is at the Freeholder's meeting and the Board of Education regarding the water damage done this last weekend and he has released a press release which should be in paper tomorrow.

He further stated that there is one resolution added which is on the table and also during the Executive Session we added another item which was for litigation regarding third floor living.

The following answered to roll call:

Mr. Spence

Absent: Mrs. Lugardo-Hemple

Mr. Surrency

Mr. Thompson

Pres. Zapolski

Pres. Zapolski presented the minutes from the meeting of August 2, 2011, and Work Session of August 2, 2011.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Surrency 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. Zapolski announced No Ordinances for first reading.

Pres. Zapolski announced two Ordinances for second reading.

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

**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 Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Surrency that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on the matter which motion was carried,

Pres. Zapolski 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 Mr. Spence and second Mr. Surrency to close the public hearing on this ordinance which motion was carried.

Pres. Zapolski closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Surrency 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.

Clerk called the roll as follows:

YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
SPENCE			LUGARDO-HEMPLE
SURRENCY			THOMPSON
PRES. ZAPOLSKI			

Pres. Zapolski declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 11-04, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

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

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A LADDER TOWER TRUCK IN AND BY THE CITY OF BRIDGETON COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$400,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$380,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

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Pres. Zapolski declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 11-05, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

Pres. Zapolski announced this is the time for comments on the consent agenda or any other matter the public desires to address Council concerning.

It was moved by Mr. Spence second by Mr. Surrency that the meeting be opened to the public for any one desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

Pres. Zapolski opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard at this time.

Mr. Michael Abbott, Bridgeton, offered condolences to Pres. Zapolski regarding the loss of his granddaughter.

Mr. Abbott further commends the city employees for the job done during the storm and expressed concern over the following issues: enforcement of city ordinances, third floor living, water restriction violations, reports, and downtown windows

Pres. Zapolski suggested that he contact the Administrator regarding the reports.

Ms. Barry Goldsborough, Bridgeton, thanked the city for their quick response during the rain storm and addressed the issue of some people not knowing where to go during the emergency suggested sending something out to citizens.

Ms. Goldsborough was made aware that phone calls did go out to the citizens that had a home phone.

Ms. Goldsborough also expressed concern over the number of pot holes in the streets which will be referred to Administrator for Public Works Department

Mr. Ed Bethea, President Main Street Association, commended Councilman Spence for his leadership in the Pocket Park at Commerce and Laurel Street and also offered his condolences in regards to the loss of his father-in-law.

Ms. Clara Shockley, inquired about the lack of drainage on Belmont Avenue at the entrance into Glen Park Apartments, which is forming a pond, every time we have a heavy rain.

Pres. Zapolski asked that share her concerns with the Administrator as the Mayor and Director of Public Works are absent this evening.

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

Pres. Zapolski closed the public portion of the meeting.

All matters listed under items I-1, through items I-12 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. Item I-10 was removed and Item I-12 was added

It was moved by Mr. Spence seconded by Mr. Surrency the following Resolutions listed under the consent agenda be adopted, which motion was carried by roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book

RESOLUTION NO 31-11 joining the national moment of remembrance of the 10th Anniversary of September 11..

RESOLUTION NO 32-11 authorizing closing of Atlantic Street for the VFW Poker Run.

RESOLUTION NO 33-11 awarding bid to WHIBCO of New Jersey thru cooperative purchasing with Cumberland County of ice control sand.

RESOLUTION NO 34-11 authorizing advertising for bids for pump replacement and rehabilitation of Well No. 2.

RESOLUTION NO 35-11 authorizing advertising for Sunset Lake Pump Station upgrades.

RESOLUTION NO 36-11 authorizing changes on water, sewer, and trash accounts.

RESOLUTION NO. 37-11, authorizing advertising bids for 100' Rear Mount Aerial Platform Fire Truck

RESOLUTION NO. 38-11, authorizing amendment to D.A. Nolt change order typing correction

RESOLUTION NO. 39-11, authorizing agreement with Teamsters 676.

RESOLUTION NO. 40-11, authorizing shared services agreement with Deerfield Township

RESOLUITON NO. 41-11, correcting Resolution 24-11 UEZ Program 2011 to 2015

Pres. Zapolski presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$333,462.17 members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Surrency and second by Mr. Spence 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. Zapolski announced receipt of the following application:

Block off Street by VFW FOR Poker Run on October 1, 2011, Atlantic Street from Broad Street to Commerce Street

It was moved by Mr. Surrency' and second by Mr. Spence that said application be approved which motion was carried.

Pres. Zapolski announced receipt of the following reports:

Vital Statistics Office
Municipal Clerk's Office

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

Pres. Zapolski announced Mayor is attending the Freeholder Board and Board of Education Meeting in regards to the rain damage therefore is not present.

Pres. Zapolski called upon Council for comments.

Councilman Surrency presented and read a letter of condolence from Councilwoman Gladys Lugardo-Hemple in her absence to Council President Zapolski and Councilman Spence relating to the loss of loved family members and he also added Public Defender Demetria Todd Hunter who lost her mother.

Councilman Spence, commented he appreciated all the kind words of condolences from his colleagues and friends during this loss of his father-in law.

Pres. Zapolski commented that certainly over the last week we have experienced some travesties in the City and in personal lives that two of members of Council other people as Councilman Surrency mentioned.

The vast rain this Sunday caused considerable damage to our city, the loss of loved ones, Councilman Spence and his family. But certainly the city damage to the infrastructure can be repaired in time likewise, he would hope that the sadness and emptiness felt by these personal losses also diminish to that end he asked that we be granted the serenity to accept the things we can not change and the courage to change the things we can and the wisdom to know the difference.

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

Pres. Zapolski adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

Council President Michael D. Zapolski, Sr.

Date: _____