

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, August 18, 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 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 August 14, 2009 4:30 p.m.

2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on August 14, 2009 at 4:30 p.m." The invocation was delivered and flag salute led by Councilwoman Lugardo.

The following answered to roll call:

Ms. Lugardo
Mr. Salvatore
Mr. Spence

Absent: Mr. Thompson

Pres. Kelly

Pres. Kelly presented the minutes from the meetings of August 4, 2009 and Work Session of August 4, 2009, all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Spence 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 read an Ordinance for first reading entitled:

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

It was moved by Ms. Lugardo and second by Mr. Spence that this ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on September 1, 2009 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Kelly read an ordinance entitled on first reading entitled which was added to agenda:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON RELATING TO GRAFFITI ABATEMENT

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 September 1, 2009 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Pres. Kelly announced there are no Second Reading Ordinances.

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. Salvatore 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. Warren Robinson, Hampton Street, registered complaint of sound system as not being able to hear, which Pres. Kelly instructed Council talk into the microphones.

Ms. Delores Batten, Albertson Avenue, commented good to be back and complimented the new building.

Also registered complaint concerning the grass in neighborhoods that need cutting suggested that the City trucks to call the enforcement to enforce them to cut their grass.

Ms. Clara Shockley, Glen Park, commented on various issues and concerns: drainage off of Belmont into the Glen Park Court, flooding on Cottage Avenue, new businesses to come in to City, Youth/Adult Center, up keep of the Zoo, traffic light at West Broad and Fayette Streets, water problem and a litter problem on property on West Broad Street.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Salvatore 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-7, 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 Mr. Salvatore seconded by Mr. Thompson that the following Resolutions listed under the consent agenda be adopted, which motion was carried by roll call vote with Pres. Kelly abstaining from J-7. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book.

RESOLUTION NO. 53-09, authorizing tax office changes on tax, water, sewer and trash records.

RESOLUTION NO. 54-09, authorizing restricting number of coins accepted for payment by City Departments.

RESOLUTION NO. 55-09, authorizing tax assessor to grant senior citizen tax exemption.

RESOLUTION NO.56-09, authorizing In Rem Tax Foreclosures.

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RESOLUTION NO. 58-09, authorizing In Rem Tax Foreclosure.

RESOLUTION NO. 59-09, authorizing Memorandum of Understanding for creation of Community Gardens on Mill Street.

Pres. Kelly presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$1,576,976.51 all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Salvatore 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. Kelly presented an application for Special Permit for Social Affair to be held on September 4, 2009 from 12 noon to 12 am, Sunset Lake, City Park by Parents Association of Bridgeton Midget Football League.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Ms. Lugardo to approve said application and grant the permit which motion was carried.

Pres. Kelly presented the following report:
Vital Statistics Office

Municipal Clerk
Tax Office
Police Department

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

Pres. Kelly called upon Mayor for comments.

Mayor had no comments

Pres. Kelly called upon Council for remarks.

Mr. Salvatore no comments

Mr. Spence no comments

Ms. Lugardo commented on observing someone dumping trash out of the trunk of their car into the trash cans on the streets downtown, also parking on the street from 9 to 5 while working which hinders others from parking who may be shopping in the stores.

Ms. Lugardo further stated the activities held by Karen Barnett were successful.

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

Pres. Kelly adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

Council President Albert B. Kelly
Date: _____