

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
August 4, 2009

ATTENDANCE:

Councilwoman Lugardo
Councilman Salvatore
Councilman Thompson
Pres. Kelly
Mayor Begley
Administrator Liston
Mun. Solicitor Bertram/Baker

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Kelly

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 31, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the News of Cumberland County and the Press on July 31, 2009 at 4:30 pm.

AGENDA REVIEW: Agenda Items reviewed and assigned.

J-2 Administrator explained purchase to clear title of sale tax certificate 08-00111

J-4 Administrator explained Resolution 23-09 rescinded as the percentage stated was incorrect.

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:

Councilwoman Lugardo reported she worked in the Library and impressed with the number of people using the Library, hope the study being conducted will be beneficial. Expressed concern over the Ramos business being broken into several times.

Pres. Kelly commented that he will contact Mr. Veight to come up with a date that he could come and give and update on the Library study.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS/CONCERNS:

Pres. Kelly inquired about lifeguards. Mr. Liston informed him two applied and we need three for Sunset Lake.

It was requested to re-advertise the position and increase the salary to see if we have any response for the balance of the summer.

Pres. Kelly stated he received call from senior citizen regarding Code Enforcement requesting graffiti on her garage and for her to paint the garage. His concern is that she being on a fixed income can not afford to have it painted by the time allotted her.

Mayor responded that he has a program for a group to go out and paint for seniors.

Administrator informed Council that a proposed ordinance is being drafted by the Solicitor to stop the purchase of spray paint by minors will look at the ordinance next meeting.

Pres. Kelly also commented on the article in papers regarding the Zoo budget and possible question on the ballot.

Clerk presented the ordinance tabled last meeting concerning the construction fee increase. Administrator commented that fees comparison is being done and it will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Clerk presented the Nuisance House Ordinance which was to be discussed this evening. Administrator stated that the Solicitor is looking at it comparing with the State Statute will bring it back at next meeting.

PUBLIC PORTION: Upon motion by Mr. Thompson second by Mr. Salvatore that the meeting be opened to the public for any one desiring to address Council which motion was carried.

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

Ms. Norma De Noble, thanked Ms. Lugardo for working at the Library and announced Jazz Gabe Ray to be held on August 14, 2009 tickets \$10.00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Upon motion by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson RESOLUTION NO.44-09, authorizing an executive close session to discuss contract/personnel/public safety was adopted 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 Mr. Salvatore and second by Ms. Lugardo to adjourn the Work Session which motion was carried.

Pres. Kelly adjourned the work session.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC

Council President
Albert B. Kelly