

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Wednesday, February 6, 2008, 6:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, City Hall, 168 East Commerce Street, Bridgeton, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by Council President William D. Spence

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, 168 East Commerce Street, Bridgeton, New Jersey on February 1, 2008 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the Bridgeton News and the Press on February 1, 2008 at 4:30 p.m." The invocation was delivered by Councilwoman Riley and flag salute was led by Councilman Thompson.

The following answered to roll call:

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

Pres. Spence called forth and introduced Lance Corporal William Diaz, Jr. forward to present him with an appreciation certificate from the City regarding being deployed to Iraq during the war and welcoming him home.

The Clerk presented the minutes from the meeting of January 15, 2008 and January 22, 2008 and Work Session minutes from December 18, 2007 and January 15, 2008 all members having received copies.

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

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

ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 3-4 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Riley that this be considered the 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. Spence opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Riley that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence closed the public hearing on the Ordinance.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Riley 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	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Mr. Kelly			
Ms. Riley			
Mr. Salvatore			
Mr. Thompson			
Pres. Spence			

Pres. Spence declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 07-26, 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:

ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 07-12 VACATING A PORTION OF SOUTH PINE STREET AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE TO COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Salvatore that this be considered the 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. Spence opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Riley that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence closed the public hearing on the Ordinance.

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The Clerk called the roll as follows:

YEAS NAYS ABSTAIN ABSENT

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

Pres. Spence declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 07-27, 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:

ORDINANCE SETTING PENALTIES FOR FALSE ALARMS

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Riley that this be considered the 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. Spence opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Salvatore that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Riley 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 NAYS ABSTAIN ABSENT

Mr. Kelly
Ms. Riley
Mr. Salvatore

Mr. Thompson
Pres. Spence

Pres. Spence declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 07-28, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ADOPTING PHOENIX AREA REDEVELOPOMENT PLAN

It was moved by Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Salvatore that said ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing, and final consideration be held on February 19, 2008 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE REGULATING ON-STREET PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Salvatore and second by Ms. Riley that said ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing, and final consideration be held on February 19, 2008 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 203-14 & CHAPTER 203-20 OF THE GENERAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Thompson that said ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing, and final consideration be held on February 19, 2008 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION NO. 360-40, NO. 360-41 AND NO. 360-51 OF THE GENERAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON REGARDING WATER AND SEWER CHARGES

It was moved by Mr. Salvatore and second by Ms. Riley that said ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing, and final consideration be held on which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TABLE OF ORGANIZATION FOR THE FIRE DIVISION OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Thompson that said ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing, and final consideration be held on February 19, 2008 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

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

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

Ms. Darlene Harris, Burlington Road, former secretary to the Bridgeton Board of Adjustment stopped in to say hello.

Mr. Walter Williams, Giles Street, registered complaint regarding enforcement code officials and his vending license.

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

Pres. Spence closed the public portion of the meeting.

The Clerk read the Consent Agenda Statement:

All matters listed under items 16A, through items 16 EE, 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. Items DD and EE were additions to the agenda and item 16J was removed.

Upon motion by Ms. Riley seconded by Mr. Kelly 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. 200-07, renewal of taxicab owner's license.

RESOLUTION NO. 201-07, authorizing sale of Block 155 Lot 15 to Ben Chapman

RESOLUTION NO. 202-07, adopting duty manual rules, regulations Bridgeton Fire Department

RESOLUTION NO. 203-07, authorizing discharge of mortgage on 54 N. Laurel Street.

RESOLUTION NO. 204-07, rejecting sale of Block 71 Lot 2 & 3

RESOLUTION NO. 205-07, awarding contract for water distribution treatment with WRT Environmental, LLC and R.M.D. Operations, LLC

RESOLUTION NO. 206-07, authorizing professional service agreement with Triad Associates for Community and Economic Initiatives

RESOLUTION NO. 207-07, authorizing and granting senior citizen tax exemption by the Tax Assessor.

RESOLUTION NO. 208-07, authorizing tax office to make changes on water, sewer and trash accounts.

RESOLUTION NO. 209-07, authorizing sale of Block 158 Lot 1

RESOLUTION NO. 210-07, confirming the appointment of Marvin Blethen to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

RESOLUTION NO. 211-07, congratulating Charles McNeeley on his retirement as a City employee.

RESOLUTION NO. 212-07, congratulating Carl Fogg on his retirement as a City employee.

RESOLUTION NO. 213-07, congratulating Curtis Pierson on his retirement as a City employee.

RESOLUTION NO. 214-07, authorizing professional service agreement with Triad Associates CDBG Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 215-07, authorizing closing of Mayor Aitken Drive on April 20, 2008.

RESOLUTION NO. 216-07, accepting HDSR Grant Fund N. Pearl Street Brownsfields Investigation.

RESOLUTION NO. 217-07, accepting HDSR Grant Fund East Commerce Street Brownsfields Investigation.

RESOLUTION NO. 218-07, accepting HDSR Grant Fund North Laurel Street Brownsfields Investigation.

RESOLUTION NO. 219-07, accepting HDSR Grant Fund Water Street Brownsfields Investigation.

RESOLUTION NO. 220-07, authorizing release of performance bond for Block 127 Lot 1.03.

RESOLUTION NO. 221-07, authorizing single construction permit fee for surfacing private repairs to alleyway.

RESOLUTION NO. 222-07, authorizing sale of Block 241, Lot 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 223-07, extending grace period first quarter 2008 taxes.

RESOLUTION NO. 224-07, authorizing Tax Assessor to grant veteran tax exemption.

RESOLUTION NO. 225-07, authorizing contract with Teamsters 676.

RESOLUTION NO. 226-07, authorizing foreclosure in personam of tax sale certificate.

RESOLUTION NO. 227-07, authorizing submission NJUEZA for Port Authority acquisition and redevelopment project.

RESOLUTION NO. 228-07, authorizing purchase of 2008 GMC 8500 dump truck.

RESOLUTION NO. 229-07, authorizing purchase of two 2008 GMC 3500 dump trucks.

The Clerk presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$ 2,053,922.05 all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Salvatore and seconded by Mr. Kelly 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.

The Clerk presented the following reports:

Vital Statistics Office
Public Works Department
Municipal Clerk
Comptroller

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

The Clerk announced that is all the business she has to come before Council at this time.

Pres. Spence called upon the Mayor for comments.

Mayor Begley commented on recommendations he has received regarding the calendar for this year and encourage the citizens to send their ideas in and March 1 the determination will be made.

Pres. Spence called upon Council for comments

Councilman Kelly no comments.

Councilwoman Riley no comments.

Councilman Salvatore no comments.

Councilman Thompson no comments.

Pres. Spence also reminded citizens of the calendar to send in their ideas.

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

Pres. Spence adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
City Clerk

APPROVED:

Council President William D. Spence

Date: