

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, May 15, 2007, 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 Nicholas K. Salvatore.

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 May 9, 2007 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the Bridgeton News and the Press on May 9, 2007 at 4:30 p.m." The invocation was delivered by Councilman Thompson and flag salute was led by Councilman Kelly.

The following answered to roll call:

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

The Clerk presented the minutes from the meetings of May 1, 2007 and Work Session May 8, 2007 all members having received copies.

It was moved by Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Spence 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 AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL TORT CLAIM ACT INTERROGATORIES

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Kelly 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. Salvatore 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. Spence that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

Pres. Salvatore closed the public hearing on the Ordinance.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Kelly 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. Spence
Mr. Thompson
Pres. Salvatore

Pres. Salvatore declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 06-31, 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 REGARDING ON STREET PARKING ON OAK STREET BETWEEN GILES AND LAWRENCE STREET

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

Pres. Salvatore 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 Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Spence that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

Pres. Salvatore closed the public hearing on the Ordinance

It was moved by Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Spence 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. Spence
Mr. Thompson
Pres. Salvatore

Pres. Salvatore declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 06-32, 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 DESIGNATING A NO PARKING ZONE ALONG THE EAST CURB LINE OF COHANSEY STREET

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second 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. Salvatore 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. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson that the public hearing be closed which motion was carried.

Pres. Salvatore closed the public hearing on the ordinance.

It was moved by Mr. Spence and second by Mr. Thompson 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:

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

Pres. Salvatore declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 06-33, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING CH. 83 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON BY DELETING CH. 83-14 WHICH SECTION REQUIRED THE NEUTERING AND SPAYING OF CATS AND DOGS AND BY REQUIRING CATS TO BE INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES

It was moved by Mr. Kelly 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 June 5, 2007, which motion was failed by unanimous roll call vote with Pres. Salvatore only voting in the affirmative.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 254-6 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Spence 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 June 5, 2007 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Clerk read 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. Kelly 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 June 5, 2007 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. 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. Salvatore opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to be heard.

Mr. Michael Zapolski, West Avenue, requested that the City look into having police officer/s be cross trained by ICE suggesting that it be pursued.

Pres. Salvatore responded that the requested would be looked into.

Mr. Warren Robinson, Hampton Street, expressed concern over the Nail House Museum being closed due to lack of employee.

Councilman Spence responded the matter is being looked into by Recreation Commission by possible volunteer employee.

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

Pres. Salvatore closed the public portion of the meeting.

The Clerk read the Consent Agenda Statement:

All matters listed under items 14A, through items 14D, 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 14F to 14J were additions to the agenda and item 14E was removed.

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson 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. 264-06, rejecting bids and authorizing re-advertisement or bids for water meters.

RESOLUTION NO. 265-06, authorizing tax office make changes.

RESOLUTION NO. 266-06, support additional funding for (FOB) Fibrodyaplasia Ossifixans Progressive.

RESOLUTION NO. 267-06, authorizing cancellation of various grant projects completed.

RESOLUTION NO. 268-06, authorizing transfers in various appropriations.

RESOLUTION NO. 269-06, authorizing purchase of two 2007 Ford Focus Vehicles pursuant to State Contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 270-06, authorizing In Rem Tax Foreclosures

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The Clerk presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$383,063.17 all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Kelly and seconded 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.

The Clerk presented the following reports:

Municipal Clerk's Office
Police Department
Zoning Office
Comptroller's Office
Vital Statistics Office

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Riley 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. Salvatore called upon the Mayor for comments.

Mayor Begley asked that Council would reconsider adopting Ordinance on first reading entitled: ORDINANCE AMENDING CH. 83 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON BY DELETING CH 83-14 WHICH SECTION REQUIRED THE NEUTERING AND SPAYING OF CATS AND DOGS AND BY CATS TO BE INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES.

With the cats inoculated against rabies be taken out of Ordinance and the Ordinance be re-introduced with that portion being omitted, which Council agreed upon.

The Clerk re-introduced the Ordinance on first reading with the inoculation of cats being omitted.

Upon motion by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Spence, it was moved that this ordinance be adopted upon first reading and that second reading, public hearing and final consideration be held on June 5, 2007 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Begley also reminded everyone of the Rally being held at South Wood Prison on May 19, 2007 at 11:30 a.m. in regards to sex offenders and encouraged everyone to attend and to encourage others also.

Pres. Salvatore called upon Council for comments

Councilman Kelly commented he would be unable to attend the Rally but it would be well attended by his agency and other community groups he has informed.

Councilwoman Riley no comments

Councilman Thompson also encouraged the attendance at the Rally and that he appreciated Mr. Zapolski's remarks regarding ICE training of police officers.

Councilman Spence concurred with Mr. Thompson's remarks and informed everyone concerning the Music Festival scheduled for June 16, 2007

Pres. Salvatore commented he appreciated the comments from everyone and will look into the matters and also stated that there were copies of the Budget presentation on the table if anyone would like a copy and also encouraged everyone to attend the rally on May 19, 2007 at South Wood Prison regarding sex offenders being housed there.

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

Pres. Salvatore adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
City Clerk

APPROVED:

Council President Nicholas Salvatore
Date: