

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Bridgeton City Council was held on Tuesday, June 5, 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 31, 2007 4:30 p.m.
2. By mailing such notice to the Bridgeton News and the Press on May 31, 2007 at 4:30 p.m." The invocation was delivered by Councilman Thompson and flag salute was led by Councilwoman Riley.

The following answered to roll call:

Absent: Mr. Kelly

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

The Clerk presented the minutes from the meetings of May 1, 2007 Work Session, May 15, 2007 Work Session, May 15, 2007 Regular Meeting and May 22, 2007 Work Session all members having received copies.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson 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 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**

It was moved by Mr. Spence 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. 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 Ms. Riley 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 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. Spence

Mr. Thompson

Pres. Salvatore

Pres. Salvatore declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 06-34, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

Councilwoman Riley commented she voted in the negative does not feel person should be limited amount of pets kept.

Councilman Spence commented that this issue may bet readdressed latter.

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

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Spence 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 Ms. Riley 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. 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. 06-35, 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 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 Ms. Riley and seconded by Mr. Thompson 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 Ms. Riley 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 Ms. Riley and seconded 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:

YEAS                      NAYS    ABSTAIN    ABSENT

Mr. Kelly

Ms. Riley  
Mr. Spence  
Mr. Thompson

Pres. Salvatore

Pres. Salvatore declared the ordinance adopted becoming ORDINANCE NO. 06-36, the original ordinance may be found in the Ordinance Book.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 149-20(D) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and second by Mr. Spence that said ordinance be adopted on first reading and that second reading, public hearing, and final consideration be held on July 19, 2007 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES NO. 04-12 AND NO. 87-15 AND CHAPTER 149 OF THE GENERAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON REGARDING WATER AND SEWERAGE CHARGES

It was moved by Mr. Spence 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 19, 2007 which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Clerk read an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT OF SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 207, LOT 25 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

It was moved by Ms. Riley 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 19, 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 Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Spence 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, commented on the proposed Ordinance regarding water/sewer increase and elaborated upon research that he had found regarding same, suggesting ordinance be amended to increase the flat-rate water supply for water meters of 1 inch or less to somewhere between 17,000 and 19,000 gallons, and that the additional use rate increase be applied in phases.

Mr. Warren Robinson, Hampton Street, expressed concern over trash receptacles in downtown area and the Bertini Building and Nail House Museum employee.

Mr. Robison presented Council with the history of the flag which is on display in the Council Chambers and Pres. Salvatore read same:

Flag of the “Cumberland Greys” during the Civil War

Company F, Third New Jersey Regiment Infantry Volunteers  
Researched by Warren A. Robinson

In May, 1861, the ladies of Bridgeton presented the flag to the “Greys” on the eve of their departure for the seat of the war. The flag was carried through many bloody engagements. It was a splendid flag, bright with the tri-colors, glorious with its canopy of stars. On its broad stripes the names of the principal battles in which the company had been engaged from Bull Run to Cold Harbor were emblazoned in letters of shining gold.

The Flag is framed and preserved in Bridgeton’s City Hall Council Chambers.

Ms. Patrick

Mr. Ellis McPherson

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Spence 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 13A, through items 13K, 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 13B to 13K were additions to the agenda.

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson seconded by Mr. Spence 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. 275-06, authorizing cancellation of UEZ completed project unspent balances.

RESOLUTION NO. 276-06, congratulating The Off Broad Street Players on their Tenth Anniversary.

RESOLUTION NO. 277-06, congratulating Bridgeton High School Salutatorian, Rosemary Garcia.

RESOLUTION NO. 278-06, congratulating Bridgeton High School Valedictorian Tyonia LaFawn Wright.

RESOLUTION NO. 279-06, congratulating Bridgeton High School Valedictorian, Alex Lee Cooper.

RESOLUTION NO. 280-06, authorizing transfers in 2007 Budget appropriations.

RESOLUTION NO. 281-06, authorizing execution of release of deed covenant Block 151, Lots 7 and 8 with Martha Price.

RESOLUTION NO. 282-06, authorizing modification of contract with South State, Inc. for reconstruction of East Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 283-06, requesting insertion of revenue in budget from UEZA in the amount of \$41,905.000, Irving Avenue Gas Station Redevelopment Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 283A-06, requesting insertion of revenue in budget From UEZA in the amount of \$190,000.99, N. Laurel at Riverfront Rear Facade Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 284-06, accepting recommendation of Planning Board and designating redevelopment area.

RESOLUTION NO. 285-06, authorizing transfer of rehabilitation mortgage indebtedness from 290 Cohansey Street, Block 55, Lot 31.

The Clerk presented the Schedule of Bills in the amount of \$ 1,468,083.28 all members having received copies.

It was moved by Ms. Riley 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 an application for Gospel Street Services from Shiloh Baptist Church for Council's consideration.

It was moved by Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Spence to approve said application and permit granted which motion was carried.

The Clerk presented the following reports:

Zoning Board  
Municipal Clerk's Office  
Public Works Department

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Spence 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 Council for comments

Councilwoman Riley  
Councilman Thompson  
Councilman Spence  
Pres. Salvatore

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

Pres. Salvatore adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC  
City Clerk

APPROVED:

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Council President Nicholas Salvatore  
Date:

(Tape Recorder Not Clear on Comments Made)