

**CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY  
CONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 6, 2015**

**A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY, ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2015 AT 7:05 PM.**

**Roll Call:**

**Present:**

East-Ward Councilman Kerry J. Coley  
At-Large Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt  
North Ward Councilwoman Tency A. Eason  
At-Large Councilwoman April Gaunt-Butler, (Arrived at-7:05PM)  
West Ward Councilman Harold J. Johnson, Jr.  
South Ward Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson  
At-Large Council President Donna K. Williams

**Also Present:**

Madeline Smith, Deputy Mun. Clerk  
Dan S. Smith City Attorney  
Marty Mayes, Representing the Administration  
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer  
Towns, Legislative Research Officer  
Margaret Homere, Clerk's Office

Council President requested the Acting Fire Chief to introduce himself and also the Acting Fire Chief Kenneth Douglas; reported he was looking forward to work with them.

Council President asked all to stand for a Moment of Silence

***SPECIAL NOTICE:***

Please be apprized anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall sign one (1) book. There will be two (2) columns in the book, one (1) for Agenda Items and one (1) for General Issues. Each person signing the book will check Agenda Items or General Issues. If they check only Agenda Items or General Issues, they will be allowed to speak for five (5) minutes. If they check both General Issues and Agenda Items, they will be allowed to speak for ten (10) minutes.

**Sunshine Law**

The Deputy Municipal Clerk announces that the requirement of N.J. S.A. 10:4-9 et. Seq. "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the *Star Ledger* and published in *the Record-Transcript* on July 17, 2014, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk

Council President announced the arrival of Mr. Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance

**Matters for Discussion Public Services Electric & Gas**

**Public Services Electric & Gas, Rep. Everton Scott, saluted the Council members and also gave a brief description about his colleague Claire Batonelle, Customer Outreached Assistance Program, Mr. Scott announced his retirement and introduced Mr. Calvin Leopard whom who will be replacing him as the new RPA for the City of Orange. Ms. Batonelle stated that she a member of the Savage team from PSE&G. She spoke about different programs that will help low income family and family with a high income. She also made references where applications can be obtained from “Lacassa De Pedro “and also online.**

**Hon. Williams addressed the condition of the street opening due to the work done by PSE&G and wanted to know if Council members have any question. Director Mayes talked about the different street that has opening.**

**Councilman Coley wanted to know if Mr. Mayes put something in place to PSE&G regarding the opening. Mr. after they do opening they have to wait for a 90 days period. Hon. Eason stated that the condition in the North Ward is very bad and cannot wait for 90 days and he will look into it. Mr. Scott stated that during the summer the road will be back into its final condition, it’s not possible to do it during the winter. Mr. Scott thanked the Councilmember’s and looking forward to work with them.**

**Hon. Williams made reference regarding amendment resolution 16-2015**

**Resolutions and Ordinances**

- **Councilman Corbitt had a question pertaining to ordinance 2-2015 regarding dealing procedural rules to reduce number of minutes during Citizens comments and stated that he has no problem with that, at the same time Councilmember’s should be adhere to the time also.**
- **Councilwoman Eason also made reference regarding the same ordinance.**
- **Council President asked if there is any other resolutions that councilmember’s have any concern?**
- **Councilwoman Eason had a question regarding Page 22 of the Bill List regarding payment made before Council approval and also questioned for different events employees’ appreciation that took place on Bella Italia.**
- **Eason stated employee should be paying for themselves and money cannot be spend like that and in the near future, council need to sit down regarding future bill to be paid before the council approval.**
- **Council President asked if there were any other questions regarding the Bill List. Seeing none.**

**Council President entertained a motion to adjourn.**

**Motion by Councilman Corbitt seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler.**

**The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 8:40 P.M.**

**Approved: March 3, 2015**

***Madeline F. Smith***

***Donna K. Williams***

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**Madeline F. Smith, RMC  
Deputy Municipal Clerk**

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**Donna K. Williams  
Council President**