

THIS WAS 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, APRIL 5, 2016 AT 7:10 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward
Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt, At-Large
Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward
Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large
Council President April Gaunt-Butler, At-Large

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Dan Smith, City Attorney
Kevin Harris, Legislative Research Officer
Margarette Homere, Senior Clerk,
Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director,
John Wade, Acting Police Director
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer(arrived @7:12)
Louis Copeland, Acting Business Administrator

Absent: None.

The City Clerk asked all to stand for a Moment of Silence.

The City Clerk read the following statement:

SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised 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 for General Issues. Each person signing the book will check Agenda items (Not including Public hearing/final adoption of ordinances) or General issues or both. If they check Agenda Items or General Issues or both, they will be allowed to speak for a maximum of five (5) minutes.

Sunshine Law

The City 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 16, 2015, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Before the matters for discussion started an Orange student made a presentation regarding a group called “Orange Up” that he had started for Orange City students wanting to attend college. He spoke about grants and other information that would be provided to the group members.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Joseph Smentkowski, Inc. (Galaxy) - Refuse and Recycling Collection Services. Mr. Smentkowski came to the podium and spoke about the services that his company provides to Orange residents. Provided information about the procedures that are in place if there is an issue and answered questions by the Council Members.

Mr. Copeland reported that a Councilman had taken a gift from the vendor. He and the City Attorney answered questions regarding that issue.

2. RPM Management, L.L.C. (Did not show Up)

The Council President made the following statement:

The resolutions and ordinances to be presented at tonight's meeting are listed on the attached Regular Meeting Agenda. If any Council Member wishes to discuss any resolution or ordinance, it may be discussed at this time.

- Councilwoman Eason questioned Ordinance 23-2016. Attorney Harris provided the Councilwoman with information regarding public funding's to vendors or agencies by the city.
Councilwoman Eason questioned Ordinance 24 and 25-2016. Attorney Harris explained how Ordinance 24-2016 and 25-2015 are related and needed in the city code.
Councilman Johnson questioned Mr. Copeland, Mr. Mapp and Director Mayes. The Councilman had Mr. Copeland explain which grants he would do for the city virus Millennium, the other grant writer for the city. The Councilman requested a list of grants that the city is working on for the year 2016. The Councilman asked Mr. Mapp if there were any tax dollars in 2016 budget being raised for the Recreation Center. Mr. Mapp did not anticipate amounts in the budget for that purpose but that could change.
Mr. Mapp stated that when the Council gets the budget they will know if any funding had been submitted in the budget for that. The Councilman asked Director Mayes if he had the figures for repairs for the Recreation Center for the year 2016. Director Mayes could not answer that question until the bids for the construction work is in.
- Councilwoman Summers-Johnson spoke of her concerns about the Administration's lack of knowledge regarding the money needed for the Recreation Center and also stated that Mr. Mapp had not given a good answer when asked about the money for the Recreation Center in the budget. Mr. Mapp explained that the budget is for department expenses, Capital expenditures for the Recreation Center would not be part of the operating funds, there would be a bond for any the Recreation Center or any city owned property.
- Councilwoman Williams asked Mr. Mapp for a status on the budget. Mr. Mapp stated that the budget was not ready due to ongoing negotiations with collective bargaining units, nor could he give a specific time when the budget would be ready. The Councilwoman and Mr. Mapp discussed the grant for the former YWCA purchase.
Mr. Copeland answered questions about the South Ward Grant.

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 8:54 P.M.

Approved:

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

April Gaunt-Butler
Council President