

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 WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2016 AT 7:10 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward
Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward
Councilman Christopher Jackson, At Large
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward
Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large
Council President Adrienne Wooten, At-Large

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Dan Smith, Acting City Attorney (arrived @ 7:15)
Margarette Homere, Senior Clerk,
Kenneth Douglas, Acting Fire Director (arrived @ 7:15)
Cpt. Dunn, Representing the Police Director
Marty Mayes, Acting Business Administrator (arrived @ 7:15)

Absent:
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer
Kevin Harris, Legislative Research Officer
Adrian Mapp, Acting Director of Finance

- Council President Williams spoke about the new Administration and new Council Members and commented that the Clerk's Office had not received a list of Directors for the new Administration. The Directors have not been approved by the new Administration so all existing Directors are now Acting Directors.
- Attorney Mazlow from the Florio Law firm came to the podium regarding a tax settlements that would be worked on. He also requested an executive session with the Council.
- The Council President reported that the executive meeting would take place during the Council's meeting.
- The Clerk reported that Acting City Attorney Dan Smith, Acting Fire Director Kenneth Douglas, Acting Police Director John Wade and Acting Business Administrator Marty Mayes had just arrived.

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

SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall sign one (1) book. Each person signing the book will be allowed to speak for a maximum of five (5) minutes.

The City Clerk announced 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 June 23, 2016, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Historic Preservation - Mr. Troy Simmons came to the podium and gave a summary of what the Historic Preservation Commission does and what it can do for the City of Orange. Mr. Simmons reported that there are about 30 properties that the city or past owners have declared as historic. He provided information on the structure of the commission. Mr. Simmons stated to Councilwoman Eason that the Historic Preservation Commission does not fund money to historic properties but they can be a resource with the State and the National Historic Commissions, speaking on behalf of certain properties as being exceptional or being more worthy than other properties. Mr. Simmons spoke about a website that the commission would be setting up in the fall for Orange properties.

The Council President asked the following:

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 Summers-Johnson and Councilwoman Eason questioned the resolution on the elected Board of Education members; which the Council President answered.
- Councilman Coley – Resolution 128-2016 The Councilman had asked Acting Attorney Smith to provide a legal opinion about using bill boards in a political campaign and charging the city for payment. Questioned the amount paid to the artist at the Gospel event, stating that the purchase order had not been given to the Council, as requested.

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson.

By consensus the meeting adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

Approved:

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Donna K. Williams
Council President