

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 SEPTEMBER 1, 2015 AT 7:00PM.

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 (arrived @ 7:01)
Council President April Gaunt-Butler, At-Large

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Adrian Mapp, Finance Director (arrived @ 7:09)
Dan Smith, City Attorney
Marlin Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director,
John Wade, Acting Police Director
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer (arrived @ 7:02)
Marty Mayes, Director of DPW (arrived @ 7:06)

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.

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.

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

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Plaque for Mr. Miller

Vice-President Corbitt praised the community work that Mr. Reginald Miller has done for the city and presented Mr. Miller with a plaque.

Functional Organization Chart.

Mr. Edwards the Administrative representative reviewed the changes that had been made to the organizational chart.

Council President Gaunt-Butler stated that the Council could review the changes and ask questions during this meeting, then approve, reject or return it for revisions for the next meeting.

Councilwoman Williams stated she had spoken to the Mayor about having the Organization Chart submitted as an ordinance for codification purposes.

Councilmembers made their comments regarding changes to be made in the current revised organizational chart.

Councilman Coley stated that the Administration hired a Human Resources person and that position was not created when she was hired.

Mr. Edwards would answers questions regarding the Human Resources position at a later date.

Councilman Coley also stated that as an employee for 20 years for the City he did not recall having a full time Human Resources person.

The following recommendations and questions are for the Administration.

- Submit the Organizational Chart (Org Chart) as an ordinance not a resolution.
- Personnel and Human Resources should be combined.
- Remove the Assistant Business Administrator position.
- Remove the Chief of Staff position.
- There should be a dotted line from the Mayor to the Library and another dotted line from the Mayor to the Courts.
- The Chart should be discussed in a work session for a complete understanding of the Chart.
- Ambulance services should have a dotted line.
- Confirm that Vehicle equipment is a function of Public Works.
- Where should the Tax Assessor be on the Chart?
- The City Engineer is not anywhere on the Chart.
- There is a request that each Department be broken down in a chart of departments.
- The Parking Utility should be removed.

The Chair read 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.”

The Council President stated that Resolution 220-2015 had been withdrawn by the Administration.

Councilwoman Eason – Ordinance 47-2015 – questioned the parking spaces requested for the new restaurant. Mr. Mobley answered questions as to why so many spaces were needed for the restaurant. Mr. Mobley stated that the restaurant will pay \$4,800 a year for the 10 spaces and that will bring in more money for those spaces than meters would.

Councilwoman Eason stated she wants Main Street parking for people, sooner rather than later. Councilwoman Eason questioned the parking meter polls.

Mr. Mobley stated that the parking meters polls will start to be fixed in the following weeks. Mr. Mobley answered other questions that Councilwoman Eason had on the new parking meters.

Councilwoman Eason asked when the dome would be complete. Mr. Mayes would get back to Council with an accurate answer but if the resolution was passed that night he estimated 45 to 60 days.

Mr. Edwards was asked about the tree lighting ceremony cost and why it was so late getting to the bill list. Mr. Edwards said that the bill was submitted late by the company. Mr. Edwards was questioned about the cost of the flags on the bill list. Council Members questioned other amounts on the bill list which Mr. Edwards answered. The administration could not answer questions regarding a bill for snow removal that was on the bill list. Mr. Mayes the DPW Director will get back to the Council with an answer. The Council Members reviewed other bills on the bill list.

The Council President entertained a Motion to Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 9:01 P.M.

Approved:

JOYCE L. LANIER

**Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk**

APRIL GAUNT-BUTLER

**April Gaunt-Butler
Council President**

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