

**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, NOVEMBER 1, 2016 AT 7:10 P.M.**

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward (arrived @ 7:21)  
Councilman Christopher Jackson, At-Large  
Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward  
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward  
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward  
Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large  
Council-President Donna K. Williams, At-Large

**Also Present:** Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk  
Chris Hartwyk, Business Administrator  
Eric Pennington, City Attorney  
Renata Wooden, Acting Legislative Research Officer  
Margarette Homere, Senior Clerk,  
Kenneth Douglas, Acting Fire Director,  
Marty Mayes, Acting Director of Planning/Public Work  
Adrian Mapp, Acting Director of Finance  
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer  
Tod Warren, Police Director

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

*SPECIAL NOTICE:* Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General item shall sign on (1) book. Each person signing the book will be allowed to speak for 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 14 July 2016, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk

**MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

**Presentation on Domestic Violence-S.O.F I. A - Cynthia Walker**

Councilwoman Wooten presented a plaque to Ms. Cynthia Walker

The Council President announced that former Councilman-at-Large Elroy Corbitt was present to support S.O.F.I.A.

Councilwoman Wooten then read and presented the Resolution to Ms. Walker. Former Councilman-at-Large Corbitt thanked the Council Members for the proclamation. Spoke about how he and Ms.

Walker worked on the program over the years. Ms. Walker thanked the Councilmembers and also spoke about some aspects of the program. She welcomed anyone that wanted to help and go through the training to prevent the violence.

Council President Williams suggested that the Orange Rec Center once again have S.O.F.I.A meetings and that the Orange Court system restart Domestic Violence Court Day.

**Fire Department – Presentation Sheron Jeffries, CEO Exquisite Crowns- Breast Cancer Awareness Donation**

Council President Williams read and presented a plaque to Ms. Jeffries and thanked her for creating Exquisite Crowns. Ms. Jeffries spoke about why she started making the wigs and spoke of her personal experiences and how she works with cancer patients and donates her wigs to the American Cancer Society. This way she can make their lives a little easier.

Acting Fire Director Douglas stated that the money the Fire Department raised during the month of October for breast cancer would be given to Exquisite Crowns. Council Members thanked Ms. Jeffries for all her efforts.

**Presentation by Frank McEnerney regarding Audit Report and Correction Action Plan.**

Mr. McEnerney provided the residents with a summation of the city finances and the results of operations for the audit year ending 2015. Revenues were 5.9. Million dollars. Some of the reasons were tax sales, and misc. revenues of 19,132,000. Loans were paid back equal to 1.4 Million dollars. There was also \$700,000 left over from the 2014 budget which became revenue for the 2015 budget. The end of year fund balance amount was \$7,568,000.00. It was a positive year. The current fund in the beginning of this year was \$13,236,408. and the liabilities were \$6,882,000. Mr. McEnerney stated that the audit comments have been coming down year after year which was caused by the Finance department. There is a corrective action plan in place for outstanding issues. Ms. Lanier the City Clerk stated that a copy of the report would be in the Clerk's Office via an OPRA request.

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 Clerk announced that Resolutions 335, 338,343,344-2016 had been withdrawn from the agenda.**

Councilman Jackson – Resolution 337-2016, questioned the bonded improvements on the resolution that allowed the release of the performance guarantee. Act Direct Mayes stated the bonded improvements were made on the new building that was built at White Castle.

Resolution 341-2016 - who will use the vehicle. Acting Director Mayes stated that the vehicle will be used by anyone that needs to use it. It was paid for by the 8 million dollar bond and the left over two thousand dollars will be moved to another area since they cannot get another vehicle for two thousand dollars.

Councilman Johnson asked how DPW came to choose this type of vehicle. Acting Director Mayes stated this is a standard vehicle that is ordered. It is under State contract. How are the new vehicles holding up? Acting Director Mayes stated that they are making a difference. He spoke about Smith Boring and how the City spent \$25,000.00 less in auto parts. In the future they anticipate even less money in repairs and more money toward

maintenance. Acting Director Mayes answered questions regarding cleaning the cars and the check list on cars.

Councilman Coley did not feel that an SUV should be used to move around shovels and equipment, which would be more for a pickup truck to do. Acting Director Mayes didn't think that DPW needed another pickup truck, providing his reasons. Acting Director Mayes stated there will be enough pickup trucks for the snow.

Councilman Jackson asked about the bill list resolution 346-2016 page 4 employee training for the fire department. Acting Finance Director Mapp stated that it was for 5 members of the Fire department.

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

The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 8:41 P.M.

**Approved:**

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**Joyce L. Lanier**  
City Clerk

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**Donna K. Williams**  
Council President