MINUTES CITY COUNCIL CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY

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, DECEMBER 16, 2014 AT 7:10 PM.

Roll Call:

Present:

East-Ward Councilman Kerry J. Coley
At-Large Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt arrived at 7:15
North Ward Councilwoman Tency A. Eason
At-Large Councilwoman April Gaunt-Butler
West Ward Councilman Harold J. Johnson, Jr.
South Ward Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson
At-Large Council President Donna K. Williams arrived at 7:18

Also Present:

Hon. Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Mayor
Deputy Municipal Clerk Madeline F. Smith
Mr. James Wolfe, Assistant City Attorney
Kevin D. Harris, Legislative Research Officer
Margarette Homere, Clerk's Office
Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance
Joy F. Lascari, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Marty Mayes, Representing the Administration.
Ms. Megan O'Hanlon, Budget advisory

The Deputy Clerk asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence.

The Deputy Clerk read the following statements.

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 (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 General Issues and Agenda Items, they will be allowed to speak for ten (10) minutes.

The requirement of N.J. S.A. 10:4-9 et. Seq., The 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.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

PSE&G Presentation:

It was reported that the PSE&G presentation was postponed until January.

The Orange Fire Department Presentation:

The Vice-President had Deputy Chief Rothenberger from the Orange Fire Department give a report that the Fire Department just hired 11 new recruits and should be able to start them sometime in March. They had ordered their new ladder truck and they took possession of a new SUV. He reported

that the Bond that was passed would be purchasing new windows and air conditioners for the Fire House. The Deputy Chief answered questions from the Council.

Express Script Presentation:

Mr. Ryan Graham representing Fairview, a broker for the City, introduced Ken Rostkowski and Bart Gerber representing Express Scripts presented information regarding the Plan cost for the City prescription Drug Plan. They covered the Plan cost, the use of generic drugs, compound drugs, and provided a summary for the 1st qtr FY 2015. They provided the Council with suggestions on how to keep the cost down this coming year. It was reported that the bargaining units had accepted the proposed script plans and reported that 6 other municipalities in the area had excluded most compound drugs from their plans to save money. It was determined that more discussion would take place with the bargaining units and an Executive Session would take place before a decision was made on Express Scripts.

The Council Members were asked if they wished to discuss any resolution or ordinance at this time. Councilwoman Eason asked Mr. Mayes questions about Ordinances 26-2014 through 28-2014. Mr. Mayes stated the reasons for each Ordinance. The Councilwoman also asked that reflective paint be used on the speed humps so drivers can see them better.

Councilman Corbitt questioned if there was ever any money put aside for a Bond for the schools. It was confirmed that money for any school bonds were not put aside and that the 11 million dollars would come from increased taxes. Mr. Ronald Lee, the Superintendent of Orange Schools came to the podium and spoke about the payback of the 11 million dollar bond and about the projects that were being planned. Councilman Johnson Jr. asked why Mr. Lee had an \$800,000.00 figure for the YWCA. Mr. Lee discussed the reasons for that figure.

A motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-butler to adjourn the Council meeting was approved by a unanimous vote of Yeas and the Council meeting adjourned at 8:41 P.M.

Approved on February 3, 2015

Madeline F. Smith, RMC

Deputy Municipal Clerk

Donna K. Williams

Council President