THIS WAS REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY, ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2016, FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

#### **Roll Call:**

**Present**: Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward (arrived @ 9:29)

Councilman Christopher Jackson, At-Large Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West 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,

Marty Mayes, Acting Director of Planning/Public

Adrian Mapp, Acting Director of Finance Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer

Capt. Dunn, representing the Police Department.

**Absent:** Summers-Johnson

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 14, 2016, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES MEETINGS

Motion to adopt the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from November 1, 2016 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson.

The Motion was unanimously approved

#### **REPORTS**:

- DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION: None
- CONSTABLE REPORTS:
- Cory Perkins-Month of November- no activity
- Richard Noizy-Month of November

November 5, 2016 Pro Cops volunteer, November 8, 2016 Pro Cops monthly meeting, November 8, 2016 Officer Funeral

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

- Fire Director Douglas Director Douglas gave a report on the Fire department. Also reporting they had collected \$74,579 in inspections. They had 2,625 calls as of December. He provided current data for his department and gave a summary of upcoming events at the Fire department.
- Council President Williams reported that the Pastor of Four Square Ministry Church built a development where the Peppermint factory used to be. She thanked the Pastor for taking care of the victims of the current fires.
- Police department Capt. Dunn reported on current incidents in the city. He reported that Santa Clause had visited the Police station.
- Councilwoman Wooten reported that there was a scheduled Housing Authority meeting in January. All residents and Councilmembers were invited.
- Councilman Jackson reported that the Planning Committee had approved two projects. One was to create a parking lot behind the laundromat on Park Avenue and North Street. There would be 12 new spaces. A resident and retail building will be built on the boarder of Orange and East Orange. He also reported that plans that are approved by the Planning Board do not expire.
- Council President Williams reported that the Finance Committee and BA Hartwyk spoke of an emergency plan for the payment of the water bill and also the personnel for the contract. She reported that Councilwoman Summers-Johnson had the Education meeting at the library. Parents came out and there was a round table discussion. Recommendations were made at the meeting. Councilwoman Summers-Johnson will summarize the recommendations. More discussions will take place.
- BA Hartwyk provide a summary on the report that he had given to the Council. The report covered such topics as preliminary budget worksheets, off duty Police Officers jobs, an intern program and upcoming ordinances. A new ordinance to create a Technical Review Committee in connection with development applications.

Council President directs the Clerk to file reports.

# **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS - None**

#### CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS

The City Clerk made the following statement:

Pursuant to section 4-10 of the Code of the City of Orange Township, each person addressing the Council shall step up to the microphone, shall give his or her name in an audible tone for the record, and unless further time is granted by the presiding officer, shall limit his or her address to Five (5) minutes.

The public is expected to conduct themselves in a proper manner, any derogatory, abusive or threatening statements will not be permitted. The Chair will immediately rule such conduct out of order and terminate any further comments.

Business Administrator Hartwyk stated that 384-2016 and 385-2016 are being removed from the agenda.

The following residents and business owners made comments.

- Mr. William Lewis commented on the city phone system not working. Spoke about the recognition of the organization called HANDS. Spoke about the election that took place. Made suggestions to the Council on how to legislate.
- Mr. Jeffery Feld Spoke about the upcoming holidays and events. Commented on the bill list and large bill amounts. Provided information about current Court cases and decisions. Questioned amounts of the Edwards's legal fees.
- Ms. Katelin Gordon does not agree with the shorten citizens comment time. Ordinance 9-2016 she does not agree that there should be no citizens on Standing Committees. She questioned the change in the Public Works Committee ordinance. She disagreed with this ordinance; which had already been removed from the agenda. She asked about past questions that were not answered by the administration. Asked for a list of properties that had been fined. She wanted a procedure on how to complain when a garbage truck shows up early.
- Pastor Rutherford spoke about what the Ebenezer Baptist Church was doing for the community He stated that some of the projects will be funded by the Community Development Block grant. He reported that the building is undergoing some construction. There will be a garden where fruit and vegetables will be grown for the pantry to feed the residents. They are creating a park like setting for residents to sit down and enjoy. The garage will house the YWCA support services. Meals and snacks will be served. At the church they are adding more space for a soup kitchen. The church is working with another church for alternate meal days for the residents. There will be showers for men and woman at the church.
- Mr. William Hathaway, spoke about the \$45,000 that would be paid out for the special which would take away from the school children. He commented on going down to lobby for education funding and that the funding may be slashed by the Governor. He asked why the change was made and do the current Board of Education members serve their terms out. Resolution 389-2016 he asked the Council to support that resolution. He also asked the Council to support the Bond Ordinance that will make improvements to many of the schools.
- Mr. Tyrone Tarver spoke about the School Board election stating there are only 15
  to 16 districts that don't have School Board elections. It is necessary to have the
  parents say who is on their School Board so they can make those members
  accountable. The tax levy should not have to be raised because of the elections. He

reported on the increase in the school budget money from the State. They had received 76 million dollars from the State for the school budget. The budget has never been short in the last 8 years. He will recommend that a Superintendent of Schools not be chosen till after the March election.

# Motion to close citizen comments by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

Answers to some questions by the residents.

- Council President Williams commented on why there was a School Board election and how the residents had voted for it in November. The election of School Board members being moved to November will save money for the School Districts because the County pays for those elections. The residents of Orange also had decided on elected officials to the School Board and not appointed members. The terms of the appointed members of the School Board will continue to serve out their terms. The election in March is for 2 elected members to bring the membership up to 9 members. Ms. Lanier, the City Clerk reported on where the petitions for the March election could be found in the City and in the County and are available for residents.
- BA Hartwyk stated that he had not completed the list of properties that were fined.
- Director Mayes once again stated that the resident can report the garbage truck issue to the Police or himself. Attorney Pennington stated that a resident can file a citizen complaint with the Municipal Court then the Court will send a summons and the Court will determine if there has been a violation. The BA stated that there will be an inspector out at those locations that Ms. Gordon is complaining about. She will speak to Director Mayes about the location/s. Ms. Gordon admitted it happens once in a while not every day.
- The Council President asked Attorney Pennington to get the ordinance regarding Environmental Conditions and the Council will address it before the next meeting.
- The Council President had the City Clerk speak about the process of posting minutes on the website. Clerk Lanier stated that she had tried to do so but it was too technical to do it and the administration refuses to post the minutes on the website, they only post the agenda.
- The Business Administrator spoke about Resolution 401-2016.

Motion to extend the meeting past 10:30 P.M. by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

**Roll Call:** 

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Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# Motion carries.

• It was decided that 401-2016 would be discussed when it is walked on.

- Mr. Mapp was called to the podium to explain the Bond amortization. He stated that payment is due on an annual base, after 3 years you have to pay down a percentage of the principal. The city is allowed to roll over notes for a period of 10 years. It is determined by the CFO if the bond should be rolled over or go to market.
- BA Hartwyk provided information on the year to year increase in salaries as a result of the collective bargaining settlement agreements. The settlements cover a number of back years, many of the contracts went back to 2010. In the 2017 budget year, giving the settlement of all the back pay, the 2016 2017 salary cost went up 16% to 19 % depending on the union settlement. He also will provide more information in January. Liabilities will be addressed in the 2017 budget. Police, Fire and outstanding litigation are examples of liabilities. Because of that there may be need for a CAP wavier in 2017.
- Attorney Pennington said there was no data on the Edwards case.
- The Council President afformed that the total amount spent year to date was asked for. Council President Williams stated that the resolution for Mr. Morrissy was honoring his years of service by his HANDS program.

# **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilwoman Eason commended the Police Department on their service during the Denzal McClutcher funeral. She also complimented the Fire Department's Honor Guard for their performance that night. She thanked Ms. Evonne Ikener for being at every fire to take care of the families. She commented regarding Mr. Feld's freedom of speak comment stating that it flows both ways. She stated that she also has freedom of speech and she is the senior person on the council. Some people on the Council do not respect age and she has been told she was too old to be on a committee or was asked to act her age. She stated she will speak up when she does not agree with other people. She tells the truth and does not offend anyone. She stated that the podium is for residents to come and tell of their concerns and how they feel but it is not for everybody to come up there and issue complaints about the Council Members. Freedom of speech is not only for the residents. She stated that she will fight for her Ward. Freedom of speech is for everybody including her.

Councilman Jackson stated that he is looking forward to growing as a council person in the next year. He stated that he welcomes residents that come to the meetings to speak of their concerns.

Councilman Johnson stated that Orange will see a lot of money shifting but things are being handled that had not been handled for many years, but once the city get through that 2017 will be much brighter.

Councilwoman Wooten thanked the citizens of Orange for electing her to represent them and she will fight to make the city a better place to live.

Council President Williams stated that if a resident is having a hard time reach out to their Council person to see if they can help.

# ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

The Clerk read Ordinance 56-2016 by Title.

A Bond ordinance providing for improvements to various school buildings and grounds on behalf of the Orange Board of Education Public School District by the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, appropriating \$2,506,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$2,506.000 bonds or notes of the City to finance the cost thereof.

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 56-2017.

Mr. Jeffery Feld asked if there was a schedule of what the money would be used on. Mr. Johnson, the Bond Counsel for the City stated that the schedule will be governed by the Board of Education. How the money will be spent will be determined by the Superintendent and the Board of Education. He provided other information regarding the bond and its time frame.

BA Hartwyk spoke about the average useful life of items. There is no timeframe for items since they do not know when the items on the schedule will be actually bought.

Seeing no one else, the Chair declared the time closed.

Motion to close the public hearing by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson.

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 56-2017 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson,

# **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson

**Motion Carries.** 

#### ORDINANCES INTRODUCTION/ FIRST READING

58-2016 An ordinance to further amend the Code of the City of Orange Township to repeal Ordinance #39-2007 dated October 2, 2007.
(TABLED ON 11-14-2016 REGULAR MEETING)

# Motion to lift from table by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# **Motion Carries.**

Councilwoman Eason stated that the ABC Board wants the Ordinance withdrawn.

Ordinance 58-2016 was withdrawn.

The City Clerk read Ordinance Number 59 -2016 by Title.

59-2016 An ordinance to amend the code of the City of Orange Township, article II entitled "City Council", Section 4-12, Committees (Amended 4-21-2015 by Ord. No. 15-2015).

Motion that Ordinance 59-2016 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 17, 2016 by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Johnson, Jr., Williams Nays: Eason, Jackson, Wooten.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson

## **Motion Fails.**

The Clerk reported that Ordinance 60-2016 had been withdrawn.

An ordinance to amend the code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 4, Section 63.2 entitled "Public Works Committee".

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### The City Clerk read the following statement.

All items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so request, in which event, the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence of the agenda.

# **RESOLUTION NUMBERS\*383-2016-\*399-2016**

- \*383-2016 A resolution in honor of Patrick Morrissy's dedicated service to the City of Orange Township (Sponsored by Council President Donna K. Williams and the Orange Municipal Council)
- \*384-2014 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to refund subsequent charges paid by the outside lien holder, Pro Cap III, LLC for property known as 620 Tremont Avenue, Block 6108, Lot 6 in the amount of \$463.47.(Withdrawn)
- \*385-2016 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to refund subsequent charges paid by the outside lien holder, Po Cap III, LLC for property known as 227 N. Center St., Block 1006, Lot 41 in the amount of \$29.92.(Withdrawn)
- \*386-2016 A resolution designating a representative and an alternate to the Essex County Community Development Block Grant Committee for the year 2017.
- \*387-2016 A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to add 201 Hickory Street and 237 Ivy Court to its existing City of Orange Township abandoned properties list.
- \*388-2016 A resolution authorizing the submission of certain project applications received from the Orange Community for inclusion within the County of Essex Home Program Grant Application for the 2017 year.
- \*389-2016 A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to submit certain project applications received from the Orange Community for inclusion within the County of Essex Community Development Block Grant Application for the year 2017.
- \*390-2016 A resolution authorizing the awarding of a contract for supplying asphalt pavement and stone dust from Newark Asphalt Corp., Foot of Passaic Street, Newark, New Jersey 07104 for one year commencing January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.
- \*391-2016 A resolution honoring the life and dedicated services of Denzal McClutcher. (Sponsored by Council President Donna K. Williams and the Orange Municipal Council)
- \*392-2016 A resolution appointing Fairview Insurance Agency Associates Inc. as the City of Orange Township's Risk Management Consultant for the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund and authorizing the execution of an agreement for Risk Management Consultant Services with Fairview Insurance Agency Associates Inc.

- \*393-2016 A resolution authorizing an agreement between the City of Orange Township and Elevator Maintenance, Corp., 580 Elm Street, Kearny, New Jersey 07032 to provide preventive maintenance for the elevator at City Hall, 29 North Day Street and the Freddie Polhill Law & Justice Complex, 29 park Street, Orange, New Jersey in an amount not to exceed \$7,200.00.
- \*394-2016 A resolution authorizing ratification of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Orange and Fire Mutual Benevolent Association (FMBA) Local 10.
- \*395-2016 A resolution awarding a contract with Magic Touch Construction Co., Inc., 59 W. Front Street, Keyport, New Jersey 07735 for electrical services to all municipal owned buildings for two (2) years commencing January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$82,056.00 per year.
- \*396-2016 A resolution awarding a contract for car washing services to all city owned vehicles to KC's car Wash, LLC, 360 Thomas Blvd., Orange, New Jersey 07050 for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in the amount not to exceed \$5,500.00.
- \*397-2016 A resolution establishing November Elections for the Board of Education Members of the City of Orange Township.(Removed to be amended)
- \*398-2016 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on December 20, 2016 dated December 16, 2016 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$\$10,330,101.51) (Removed to be amended)
- \*399-2016 A resolution for the Transfer Appropriation

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson.

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson.

# **Motion Carries.**

#### Items removed from the consent agenda.

A resolution establishing November Elections for the Board of Education Members of the City of Orange Township.

Clerk Lanier stated that the seconded Whereas paragraph had been removed and the amount of 100,000 was changed to 60,000. The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Whereas paragraphs had also been changed.

Motion to adopt Resolution 397-2016 as amended by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

# **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# **Motion Carries.**

398-2016 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on December 20, 2016 dated December 16, 2016 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$10,330,101.51)

Clerk Lanier stated that the resolution amount was being changed. Genova Burnes amount for \$8,504.95 is being removed. **The new total is \$10,321,596.06**.

Motion to adopt Resolution 398-2016 as amended by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson

#### **Motion Carries.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Clerk Lanier asked for a motion to suspend the rules to consider resolutions and ordinances. Resolutions 400, 401, 402, 403 and 404-2016. Ordinance 61-2016.

Motion to suspend the rules by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., , Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# **Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 400-2016 by Title.

400-2016 AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-49 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF EMERGENCY NOTES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51 AND N.J.S.A 40A:4-51.

Motion to adopt Resolution 400-2016 by Councilman Coley, seconded by Councilman Johnson.

## **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain:

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# **Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 401-2016 by Title.

#### 401-2016 AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48.

Motion to adopt Resolution 401-2016 by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

It was determined that the items were not discussed so a motion to rescind was requested.

Motion to rescind Resolution 401 by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to rescind Resolution 400 by Councilman Coley, seconded by Councilman Johnson. The Motion was unanimously approved.

The Council President asked if anyone from the public would like to speak on Resolutions 400, 401,402, 403 or 404-2016.

Mr. Feld commented on problems he found in Resolutions 400 and 401-2016.

BA Hartwyk stated that the numbering of the resolutions should be switched. So 400 should be 401 and 401 should be 400. BA Hartwyk also stated that 400-2016 should also have this budget year in the seconded paragraph. In the 401 resolution there was a correction made in calculations and 'this budget year' was added to the sentence.

Motion to close citizen comments by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

The Clerk read Resolution 400-2016 by Title.

#### AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48.

The Clerk read the corrected section of Resolution 400-2016.

Motion to adopt Resolution 400-2016 as amended by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Coley.

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain:

Absent: Summers-Johnson

## **Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 401-2016 by Title.

401-2016 AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-49 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF EMERGENCY NOTES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51 AND N.J.S.A 40A:4-51.

The Clerk read the corrected section of Resolution 401-2016.

Motion to adopt Resolution 401-2016 as amended by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Jackson

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain:

Absent: Summers-Johnson

### **Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 402-2016 by Title.

402-2016 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "CITY") AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51 AND N.J.S.A. 40A:2-55 IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REFUNDING BONDS AND/OR REFUNDING NOTES TO FUND EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE WATER UTILITY SYSTEM.

Motion to adopt Resolution 402-2016 by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

# Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain:

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# **Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 403-2016 by Title.

403-2016 A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY OF ORANGE FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBER PENSION #3-0076909.

Motion to adopt Resolution 403-2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten.

# **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain:

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# **Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 404-2016 by Title.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUPPLEMENTAL BILL LIST FOR COUNCIL MEETING VOTE ON DECEMBER 20, 2016 DATED DECEMBER 19, 2016 AND APPROVING CHECKS ISSUED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDINANCE 2-95. (GRAND TOTAL: \$240,231.96)

Motion to adopt Resolution 404-2016 by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten.

## **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain:

Absent: Summers-Johnson

#### **Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 61-2016 by Title.

A REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REFUNDING BONDS AND/OR REFUNDING NOTES BY THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE WATER UTILITY SYSTEM.

The Council President asked if anyone would like to be heard on this first reading of the Ordinance Mr. Jeffrey Feld asked when the second reading would take place. The Council President reported that it would be in February.

Motion to close citizen comments by Councilwoman Wooten, seconded by Councilman Johnson.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

Motion that Ordinance 61-2016 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held date February 21, 2017 by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

# **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Wooten, Williams

Nays: None. Abstain:

Absent: Summers-Johnson

# **Motion Carries.**

# **OTHER PENDING BUSINESS – None.**

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten.

By consensus the regular meeting adjourned at 11:23 P.M.

Approvea:	
Joyce L. Lanier	 Donna K. Williams
City Clerk	Council President