CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES January 28, 2014

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Orange Township held in the council Chambers, City Hall, 29 North Day Street, Orange, NJ 07050, on Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at 7:06 PM.

Roll Call:

Present:

West Ward Councilman Hassan Abdul-Rasheed At-Large Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt At-Large Councilwoman April Gaunt-Butler North Ward Councilwoman Tency A. Eason At-Large Council President Donna K. Williams

Also Present:

Madeline Smith, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Michael Hackett, Represents City Attorney's Office
Kevin D. Harris, Legislative Research Officer
Margaret Homere, Clerk's Office
Mr. Director Marty Mayes, Administration Representative

Absent:

Mayor Hon. Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., South Ward, Hon. Edward Marable East Ward, Hon. Jones-Bell

The Chair led all assembled in a Salute to the American Flag.

The Deputy Municipal 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 25, 2013, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Abdul-Rasheed stated that the property around 340 Thomas Blvd had been cleaned by the Housing Authority of Orange in December and then again in January, Councilman Abdul-Rasheed had attended the December 19, 2013 Housing Authority Meeting.

Councilwoman Eason reported that A.B.C. issues in the city are being discussed. Things are in the works regarding the illegal alcohol on Main St; it is being investigated. There is a new member of the Personnel Committee, Councilwoman Gaunt – Butler.

Council President Williams stated there is a new court date, February 28, 2014 for pending litigation regarding the City Council vs. the City of Orange.

No report from the Finance Committee.

CONSTABLE REPORTS

Mohammed Toure- Month of December 2013- Winy Buran-Escorting service around event

Clerk's Office Reports

Deputy Clerk Smith reported:

- December 2013 Community Service \$12,415.00
- November 2013 Clerk's Office \$392.54
- December 2013 Clerk's Office \$1,166.58
- December 2013 OPRA 17 OPRA received 83 items completed; 7 items pending

Councilman Corbitt inquired to the Deputy Clerk about the process of the Clerk's office regarding computer and telephone systems. The Deputy Clerk responded:

- The phone system is old and the voice mail system does not work. Regarding the computer system, because of the wires being outside the building, certain areas will go down at times; we share the same switch with the Business Administrator's Office so when that office goes down so does the Clerk's Office. That happens all over the building and in every office.
- The past 2 months the down time has been happening frequently. Emails do not always reach their destinations in a timely fashion; additionally, if an email does not reach its destination, the Clerk's Office is not always aware of delivery time.
- Councilman Abdul-Rasheed called several departments and, unfortunately, the telephone system's answering service is not working. He asked Mr. Mayes to communicate his concern to the Administration.

Council President Williams instructed Deputy Clerk Smith to File Reports.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

The Deputy Clerk reported that there were no communications or petitions.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

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 ten (10) 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.

Campanella Godfrey, City of Orange Township Cultural Affairs reported the following:

- On March 22, 2014, there will be another re-enactment of the famous March regarding the Voting Rights Act. It is desired to turn it into Stop the Violence in Orange Act.
- He wants to re-establish the Neighborhood Watch Program and expand the CrimeWatch Groups. He believes the police cannot do it by themselves. He is asking each council member to bring 5 volunteers to a special meeting.
- Prior to the March event, he is hoping individuals (volunteers) will sign up to join or start a Crime Watch Program. He has already spoken with Lt. Orlando Soto and Ms. Elizabeth Jackson of the Orange Police Community Policing regarding assistance in helping to get the programs started again. The goal is to help stop crime
- Councilwoman Eason suggested that a night be established at City Hall where volunteers will come and sign-up
- Councilman Abdul-Rasheed reiterated that if each councilperson brings 5 individuals; meeting at City Hall could be beneficial. He also suggested to advertise on Channel 35.

Mr. Timur Davis, Director, Orange Public Library, He is elated to be part of the Orange Public Library family again. Since opening, there has also been a Martin Luther King Celebration. Other numerous upcoming programs including a Black History Month program and summer programs for the community at large The Library has re-opened with a celebration and a ceremony. Mr. Davis requested that the Library budget be restored to the 2013 level of \$703,000.00.

Councilman Abdul-Rasheed inquired if Mr. Davis had been employed previously, as the library Director. Mr. Davis responded that he had been for about 4 months. Mr. Davis answered other questions from Councilmembers and Council President Williams reported that there would be a partnership with Farleigh Dickenson University as well as other new programs for the Library. Council President Williams asked Mr. Davis to communicate to the administration this new partnership. Council President reported that the Orange school system had improved; and now there was a need for a GED program. She asked Mr. Davis to research and report back Councilwoman Eason asked for financial reports and asked Mr. Davis to return and present for Matters of Discussion a financial report for the library.

Mr. William R. Lewis, 688 Mosswood, Orange, NJ
There was a hearing regarding Mr. Feld's case. There was no representation by the City Of
Orange present. City Attorney was not there. He stated the Council should be there. Mr. Lewis
was in favor of Resolution 26 - 2014 and Ordinance 55-2014.

Regarding Ordinance 56 -2014 Mr. Lewis commented that this was an attempt to have the state step in. Mr. Lewis commented that the budget is a working process. Everyone must work together.

Jeffrey Feld, local businessman.

- He inquired if the City Of Orange has a new Acting Business Administrator (BA). Mr. Feld
 continued to comment, that based on documents received from OPRA, that Mr. Mapp would
 not longer be the Acting BA due to the fact that the 90 days was over.
- He thanked the Clerk's office in working with him regarding OPRA requests; and noted the problems they are having with technology.
- There was a missed unemployment payment that tax payers will bear. He questioned why the outside consultants didn't pick that up.
- Resolution regarding outside auditors —The resolution reference 3 auditors Who are the other 2 competing bids.

Hassana Q. Shaw, 406 Highland, Orange, NJ 07050

On November 21, 2013, about 5:35pm, tickets was given to her by Orange Police Officer badge #308. Ms Shaw reported the incident she had with the Officer stating that he was very rude. When she was in court for the tickets she received she was asked to save time and money and take the deal. Ms. Shaw felt that treatment like this can destroy the trust of the citizens in the court system. Council President Williams apologized on behalf of the City and had Ms. Shaw take Councilman Corbitt's card for a follow up call.

Gloria Stewart, 62 Hampton Terrace, a resident of Orange

- The condition of the sidewalk with the ice and snow build up is a problem at the Post Office. She inquired if anything can be done
- She inquired if Director Sims have the right number of police officers on the force
- There is no stability without a Business Administrator
- She asked the mayor to attend city council meetings
- She thinks the brochure is beautiful; gives perception that everyone is working together
- She is aware one has to recoup from the previous administration
- Fire Department concern is for safety in the schools, maybe codes are not up to par. She inquired if an upgrade is necessary. She would like a copy of the report
- It is a good thing that the Library is open. The citizen needs the library. She questioned why was the library closed and why was it closed such a long time.
- Council President Williams stated the council has always been supportive of the library. The council is looking for answers
- Councilman Corbitt stated there is a need for more police officers. The city is 16 police officers short. Councilman Corbitt commented that the cameras have recently stopped a major crime. So they will remain.

Murphy Wilson, 362 Heywood, Orange, NJ 07050

• The Election Ordinance should not be passed. The process has already started. She pressed the point that to try to change an election that is already started; in her opinion was wrong. Ms. Wilson had a question regarding a Verizon's bill posted on the bill list. Ms. Joy Lascari was asked to research this item.

Eddie Moor, 419 Alden Street, Orange, NJ 07050

Mr. Moor reported that he had worked for Verizon for 15 years and questioned why Verizon FIOS was not put in Orange as of yet. The city was being held hostage by only having one provider. Mr. Moor felt that a Councilmember should look into this problem. Councilwoman Eason will look into the matter with Mr. Mayes. Council President Williams stated that certain parts of Orange have FIOS as an option. Council President Williams stated that certain parts of Orange have FIOS.

Councilwoman Eason will initiate the meetings with Mr. Mayes regarding FOIS. Ms. Lascari stated the bill is the same as the one that Ms. Wilson referred to earlier. Council discusses item Ms. Wilson had addressed. Ms. Lascari explained that the council has the detailed bill list and the citizen's receives one with less detail. She explains the amount of the Verizon amount; questioned by Ms. Wilson.

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, and seconded by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed to close Citizen's Comments. The motion carries unanimously to close Citizen's Comments.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Councilman Abdul- Rasheed, Jan 19, 2013, there was a water main break at 5:00 am, Sat
 morning. The Orange Fire Department and the United Water were at the scene. Several
 streets and neighborhood had their water turned off. Councilman Abdul-Rasheed stated there
 was no communications. He inquired if blasts could be sent to inform the community.
- Councilwoman Williams stated that she received an email from Mr. Mobley and a text. There had been several water main brakes.
- Councilman Abdul-Rasheed_asked Mr. Mapp to again check into the non-working city hall's voice mail system and respond to him.
- Councilman Abdul-Rasheed has the PEOSHA report from the state for the library.
- He believes the library did not have to be closed from April, 2013 to current and being in this position and living in Orange for 29 years. He believes the decision to keep the library closed was not voted on by the Orange City Council, it was voted on by the Library Board of Trustees
- Councilman Corbitt_— He believes the direction the library is going good so far. It is important that it is maintained
- The mayor is having a State of the Union address tomorrow at the Orange Public Library
- He supports providing as much funding as possible. The bathrooms need work. They are not handicap assessable. The Library needs operating funds in the future; it must maintain itself.
- Councilwoman Eason stated that On Feb 15, 2014, St. Mathews will have its black history month event. Everyone is invited
- She inquired as to where is the purchase order for the car scanners
- How is the city notified if a house becomes abandoned? Mr. Hackett responded that Wendy Brown has a list of abandoned properties, there are around 300 properties.

- She asked Mr. Mayes to inquire about mones that come into Public Works and let her know where the money goes.
- There is a plan to move elections to November, 2014. Every dollar the county spends will save the City of Orange money.
- Councilman Abdul-Rasheed inquired if the Mayor is able to appoint an Acting Board President of the Library. He asked Mr. Harris if one needs to live in Orange to be in the position of Acting Board President.
- Councilwoman Gaunt- Butler_communicated a Workforce Readiness workshop being held on February 10, 2014 at St. Mathew Church.
- She noted that residents on Lincoln Avenue by Tremont are having difficulty in parking.
 They are getting tickets. She asked Director Simms and Director Mayes to check into the matter
- Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler stated the clerk's office did a good job on the OPRA report.
- Councilwoman Williams reminded residents that the Mayor's State of the City will be held on January 29, 2014. The times are 10:00 am and 7:00pm at the Orange Public Library
- Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler asked Mr. Garrett, the Essex County Liaison to Orange, if there
 is a FCC board for Orange and stated that Councilwoman Eason will be the lead person on
 the FIOS research.

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 53-2013 by title:

An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled Vehicles and Traffic", Section 200-40, Schedule IX: Stop Intersections (3-Way Stop - Lincoln Avenue and Frankfort Street) (Sponsored by Hon. Hassan Abdul-Rasheed)

The chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance 53-2013. Seeing none, the chair declared the time closed.

Motion by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed, second by Councilwoman Eason to adopt Ordinance number 53-2013.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, and Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries.

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 54-2013 by title: An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" to amend through streets.

The chair declared the time open for a public hearing on Ordinance 54-2013. Seeing none, the chair declared the time closed.

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler to adopt Ordinance number 54-2013

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, and Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 55-2013 by title: An ordinance amending Chapter 15B of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled Environmental Commission.

The chair declared the time open for a public hearing on Ordinance 55-2013.

Ms. Wilson inquired as to what is the purpose of the Environmental Commission. Mr. Harris stated the Environmental Commission exists presently under the code of the City of Orange to determine. There is no local commission. Ms. Wilson asked if this is the job of the city planner; and who would have the final authority.

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

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed to adopt Ordinance number 55-2013.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler and Williams

Navs: Abdul-Rasheed

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 56-2013 by title: An ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled Budget and Fiscal Procedures. (Sponsored by: Council Member Hassan Abdul-Rasheed)

The chair declared the time open for a public hearing on Ordinance 56-2013.

- Mr. Feld inquired as to why it had not changed in previous years when the city changed from a fiscal to a calendar year in 2011.
- Councilman Abdul-Rasheed states that this ordinance is to expedite the budget process. If this ordinance needs to be amended, it will happen.

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

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed to adopt Ordinance number 56-2013.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler and Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries.

Motion to Extend Meeting

A motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed, to extend, the meeting past 10:30pm.

The motion carries unanimously to extend the meeting past 10:30pm.

ORDINANCES TABLED FROM AUGUST 7, 2013 REGULAR MEETING

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 22-2013 by title: An ordinance setting forth an employee tuition reimbursement policy and guidelines or the City of Orange Township and amending and supplementing Chapter 23 of the Municipal Code and the appendix Titled City of Orange Township – Employee Handbook of personnel policies and procedures.

Motion to Life From Table

Motion by Council President Williams, second by Gaunt-Butler to lift from table

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler and Williams

Navs: Abdul-Rasheed

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries.

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 22-2013.

Ms. Gloria Stewart stated this ordinance may have to go back to the drawing board.

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

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed to adopt Ordinance number 22-2013

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Eason

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler and Williams

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Fails.

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 32-2013 by title: A bond ordinance providing for various capital acquisitions and improvements, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey (The "City"); appropriating \$9,826,000 therefore and authorizing the issuance of

\$8,935, 500 bonds or notes of the City to finance the costs thereof.

Motion to Life From Table

Getting no response the Chair moved the agenda forward.

Council President Williams read Ordinance 37-2013 by title: An ordinance setting outside employment guidelines for the City of Orange Township and amending and supplementing Chapter 23 of the Municipal Code and the appendix titled City of Orange Township – Employee Handbook of Personnel Policies and Procedures.

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Eason to lift from table

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Corbitt, Eason, Williams Nays: Abdul-Rasheed, Gaunt-Butler

Absent: Jones-Bell; Marable

Motion Carries:

The chair declared the time open for a public hearing on Ordinance 32-2013. Seeing none, the chair declared the time closed.

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Council Woman Eason to approve Ordinance 32-2013 for final adoption.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Ayes: Corbitt, Eason, Williams

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed Abstention: Gaunt-Butler Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries

ORDINANCE TABLED 1/7/2014 MEETING

The Deputy Clerk read ordinance 58-2013 by Title: An ordinance amending Chapter 88, "FEES", Article I, "FEES derived from code provisions", section 88-1, "Schedule of Fees: setting rates and fees for the use of water system.

Motion To Lift From Table:

Motion by Councilman Gaunt- Butler, second by Councilwoman Eason to lift ordinance 58-2013 from the table.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Yeas: Eason, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, and Williams

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Fails.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION / FIRST READING

Council President Williams reads ordinance 1-2014 by title: An ordinance establishing the November General Election Day as the date for the City of Orange Township's Non Partisan Municipal Elections.

Motion by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed, second by Councilwoman Eason that Ordinance 1-2014 be introduced on the first reading and that the public reading will be held February 4, 2014.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: None

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Deputy Clerk Read: 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 REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE OF THE AGENDA.

RESOLUTIONS: *19-2014 -* 32-2014

*19-2014

A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to a county board judgment in the amount of \$1,639.65 to Joshua D. Novin, Esq. of 96 Park Street, Montclair, NJ 07042 in c/o Bettie and Jeanie Keith, 725 Valley Street, Block 6208, Lot 5.

*20-2014

A resolution authorizing the cancellation of twelve premiums.

*21-2014

A resolution rejecting the bids for the NJDOT Way Finding Signage Phase II.

*22-2014

A resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract with Hatch Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, New Jersey 08830-4112 to provide engineering/design and construction/ inspection services for the 2013 CDBG High St./Alden St. Park irrigation system in the amount not to exceed \$10,250.00.

*23-2014

A resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers, 300 Penhorn Avenue, 3rd Floor, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094 to provide professional engineering, surveying, design and construction administration services for the 2013 CDBG A.D.A. accessible crosswalk construction in the vicinity of 300 & 400 Oakwood Avenue in the amount not to exceed \$8,875.00.

*24-2014

A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to subordinate its mortgage it holds on 232 Duane Street to permit the property owner to refinance her first mortgage with Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, DBA Greenlight Loans.

*25-2014

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 2014. *26-2014

A resolution celebrating the life and legacy of Amiri Baraka(Sponsored by: the Orange Municipal Council)

*27-2014

A resolution celebrating the life of Douglas I. Lewis (Sponsored by: The Orange Municipal Council)

- *28-2014 A resolution celebrating the life of Colin Magloire (Sponsored by: Hon. Linda Jones-Bell)
- * 29-2014 A resolution awarding a contract to Smith Boring Auto Parts, Inc., 10 Elm Street, Montclair, New Jersey 07042 for the purchase of automobile parts for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00.

(Removed for separate vote)

- *30-2014, A resolution awarding a contract to Select Auto Service, Inc., 52 Washington Street, West Orange, New Jersey 07052 for vehicle maintenance and repairs to all city owned vehicles and equipment for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in the amount not to exceed \$97,570.00 (Removed for separate vote)
- *31-2014, A resolution authorizing a contract with McEnerney Brady & Company, LLC to serve as Municipal Auditors to perform the Calendar Year 2014 audit along with Ancillary Accounting services to complete the City's annual financial statement in an amount not to exceed \$83,500.00. (Removed for separate vote)
- *32-2014, A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on January 21, 2014 Dated January 17, 2014 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$4,067,547.10). (Removed for separate vote)

Motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Corbitt, to approve the Consent Agenda (with the corrections as noted) by the Township as follows: Approval of Resolutions:

19-2014, 20-2014, 21-2014, 22-2014, 23-2014, 24-2014, 25-2014, 26-2014, 27-2014, and 28-2014.

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

Council President read 29-2014 titled: A resolution awarding a contract to Smith Boring Auto Parts, Inc., 10 Elm Street, Montclair, New Jersey 07042 for the purchase of automobile parts for

one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00.

<u>Motion</u> by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Eason to approve Resolution *29-2014

On the Motion

Mr. Abdul-Rasheed inquired if this is for all city vehicles. Mr. Mayes responded yes.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Williams

Nays: Gaunt-Butler

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries

Council President Williams read resolution 30-2014, titled: A resolution awarding a contract to Select Auto Service, Inc., 52 Washington Street, West Orange, New Jersey 07052 for vehicle maintenance and repairs to all city owned vehicles and equipment for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in the amount not to exceed \$97,570.00.

<u>Motion</u> by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Eason to approve Resolution 30-2014.

On the Motion

Councilman Abdul-Rasheed inquired to Mr. Mayes who is responsible for the City vehicles. Mr. Mayes stated this person is in control of police vehicles. There will be collaboration between himself and Fire Department.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Williams

Nays: Gaunt-Butler

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries

Council President read resolution 31-2014, titled: A resolution authorizing a contract with McEnerney Brady & Company, LLC to serve as Municipal Auditors to perform the Calendar Year 2014 audit along with Ancillary Accounting services to complete the City's annual financial statement in an amount not to exceed \$83,500.00.

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Eason to approve Resolution 31-2014.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, and Williams

Nays: None.

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries

Council President Williams read Resolution 32-2014, titled A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on January 21, 2014 dated January 17, 2014 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$4,067,547.10).

<u>Motion</u> by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Eason to approve Resolution 32-2014.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:

Yeas: Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Williams

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed

Absent: Jones-Bell, Marable

Motion Carries.

Motion to Adjourn

Councilman Corbitt moves to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt - Butler.

The Motion to Adjourn was approved by a unanimous vote.

Adjournment Time: 11:07PM

Madeline Smith

Deputy Municipal Clerk

Donna K. Williams

Council President