

A CONFERENCE 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, APRIL 16, 2013 AT 7:12 PM.

1) ROLL CALL	PRESENT	ABSENT
Hon. Hassan Abdul-Rasheed (West Ward)	_____	_____X_____
Hon. Elroy A. Corbitt (At-Large)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. April Gaunt-Butler (At-Large)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Linda Jones-Bell (East Ward)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Edward B. Marable, Jr. (South Ward)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Donna K. Williams (At-Large)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Tency A. Eason (North Ward)	_____X_____	_____
Council President		

The Municipal Clerk announced that Council President Eason has a quorum.

ALSO PRESENT

Dwight Mitchell, Municipal Clerk	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Mayor	_____	_____X_____
Dan S. Smith, Esq., City Attorney	_____X_____	_____
Kevin D. Harris, Legislative Research Officer	Arrived 7:15pm	_____
Antoinette Dismukes, Clerk's Office	_____X_____	_____

PLEASE STAND FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE –

Council President Eason requested a special moment of silence for the healing of the State of Boston, the victims and their families of the Boston Marathon Bombing.

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

- 2) **The 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 5, 2012, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.**

3) **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

- **Presentation of Plaque by Hon. Elroy A. Corbitt**
 - Councilman Corbitt requested a delay for the presentation because recipients were not present.

- **Presentation by Curtiss Webb - Code Enforcement Zoning Official**
 - Presentation was postponed to May 7th, 2013 Council Meeting.

Council President Eason announced to move the agenda stating the Council can readdress Matters of Discussion Plaque Presentation once the recipients arrive.

Municipal Clerk Mitchell stated proper formality to readdress Matters of Discussion is to recess then reconvene. The council cannot stop then go backwards.

Council President Eason announced to the Councilmember's that the meeting will most likely be extended. Further asking is everyone prepared to stay past 10:30pm for the extension? If not, maybe they can rearrange the agenda to take care of the business of Orange.

Councilman Marable Jr. noted should three council members vote to not extend the meeting he will also vote no under the pretense the members do not want to stay.

4) RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

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.

Municipal Clerk Dwight Mitchell announced because the Council has not gone into the Resolutions, Council can address the Matters of Discussion without the previous noted recess.

Council President Eason entertained a motion to address "Matters for Discussion Plaque Presentation" presented by Councilman Corbitt.

Motion: Gaunt-Butler **VOICE VOTE** **Second:** Jones-Bell

Councilman Corbitt presented a mounted plaque containing Resolution 122-2013 to Police Officer Anthony Holmes and Aida Vasquez for their act of heroism and bravery. On February 17th, 2013, a fire arisen at 374 Reock Street claiming the lives of three people who were trapped upstairs. However, without the intervention of Officers Holmes and Vasquez whose action went above and beyond the call of duty without regard to their own health and safety, there may have been a forth fatality as well as severe injury to, and perhaps loss of life on the part of the officers.

Police Director Hakeem Simms and Deputy Director Todd Warren briefly spoke on behalf of the Police Department. As well, Officer Holmes and Vasquez briefly thanked Councilman Corbitt for his honor and recognition.

Municipal Clerk Dwight Mitchell restated 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.

Council President Eason recognized Councilman Marable Jr.

Councilman Marable Jr. made inquiry into Resolution 140-2013, although withdrawn inquired into the cities position with Birdsall due to Birdsall filing for Bankruptcy.

Council President Eason asked the Clerk to move the agenda.

5) MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION: Corbitt **VOICE VOTE** **SECOND:** Jones-Bell

ADJOURNMENT: 7:33pm

Dwight Mitchell
Municipal Clerk

Tency A. Eason
Council President

MINUTES APPROVAL

Passed on May 21, 2013

Conference & Regular Meeting on April 16, 2013

Motion to Adopt: Corbitt **Second:** Williams

The roll call by Municipal Clerk was as followed:

Yeas: Corbitt, Gaunt-Bell, Jones-Bell, Marable Jr., Williams and Eason

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Eason ruled the Motion was Carried by Six Yeas; No Nays; No Abstentions; and One Absent.