

AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY ON THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2013 AT 6:51PM.

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	_____
Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Mayor	_____	X
Dan S. Smith, City Attorney	X	_____
Kevin Harris, Legislative Research Officer	_____	X
Antoinette Dismukes, Clerk's Office	X	_____

2) 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 Record Transcript and the Star Ledger on April 3, 2013, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

3) RESOLUTION 143A-2013

A resolution to hold an Emergency Meeting

MOTION TO ADOPT: Gaunt-Butler

Second: Jones-Bell

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion Carried by Seven Years; No Nays; No Abstentions and No Absences.

PURPOSE: To address Budgetary & Payroll Issues.

4) PUBLIC HEARING:

Council President Eason recognized Jeff Feld for comments.

Jeff Feld stated the following:

- Apologized to the Municipal Clerk Office for his conduct in the Clerk's office toward the staff.
- He visited the Municipal Clerk Office today three times and the agenda was not available and the Municipal Clerk was not in the office.

Council President Eason directed Mr. Feld to limit his comments to the items on the Emergency Meeting Agenda.

After several outbursts from Jeff Feld and his unyielding determination to talk over the Council President Eason...

Municipal Clerk Mitchell motions for a recess to defuse additional outbursts by Jeff Feld.

Council President Eason entertained a motion to recess for two minutes.

Motion: Jones-Bell

Second: Williams

Yeas: Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Williams

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed, Marable Jr. and Eason

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion Carried by Four Years; Three Nays; No Abstentions and No Absences.

Council President Eason entertained a motion to reconvene the Emergency Meeting.

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed

Second: Gaunt-Butler

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion Carried by Seven Years; No Nays; No Abstentions and No Absences.

Point of order, Council President Eason stated for Citizen Comments the only thing Council will be entertaining at tonight's Emergency Meeting are items specifically outlined on the agenda. Any comments outside of the Agenda Items are to be reserved until the Regular Council Meeting on April 16th, 2013.

Council President Eason recognized Murphy Wilson for comments.

Mrs. Murphy Wilson stated the following:

- Resolution 143-2013: Why did amount change?
- Resolutions 145-2013, 146-2013, and 147-2013: What is the emergency to pass?

Council President Eason recognized Jeff Feld for comments.

Jeff Feld stated the following:

- Resolution 141-2013 and 143-2013: States are the same Resolution. Why the change? Is it for April?

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING:

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed **VOICE VOTE** **Second:** Jones-Bell

5) RESOLUTIONS: *142-2013, *143-2013, *144-2013, *145-2013, *146-2013 and *147-2013

The Municipal Clerk announced resolutions 141-2013, 144-2013 and 147-2013 have been WITHDRAWN.

- 141-2013** A resolution for computation of reserve for uncollected taxes – 2013 Budget (WITHDRAWN by Administration via CFO).
- 144-2013** A resolution authorizing the sale of Tax Sale certificates held by the City of Orange Township to 4 Amigos, LLC (WITHDRAWN by Council).
- 147-2013** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Premiums. (WITHDRAWN by Administration via CFO).

The Municipal Clerk stated that these resolutions have been removed for a separate vote as follows: 142-2013, 143-2013, and 145-2013

142-2013 A resolution approving the Bill List for Council Meeting vote on April 2, 2013 dated March 27, 2013 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95. (Grand Total: \$791, 938.41)

On the motion, Municipal Clerk Dwight Mitchell announced Public Works Rodent Spray and West Orange Taxes was removed from the Bill List. New Grand Total: \$771,008.73.

MOTION TO ADOPT: Abdul-Rasheed **Second:** Williams

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call as follows:

Yeas: Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Williams and Eason

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed and Marable Jr.

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion Carried by Five Years; Two Nays; No Abstentions and No Absences.

143-2013 A resolution for Emergency Temporary Appropriations for the Calendar Year 2013 Budget for the Month of April for \$7,970,841.00.

MOTION TO ADOPT: Corbitt **Second:** Williams

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable Jr.

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion Carried by Six Years; One Nay; No Abstentions and No Absences.

145-2013 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of prior year unexpended balances in the current fund to be credited to surplus.

MOTION TO ADOPT: Williams **Second:** Gaunt-Butler

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable Jr.

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion Carried by Six Years; One Nay; No Abstentions and No Absences.

146-2013 Resolution to enter into an agreement with the County of Essex to participate in the Essex County Aggregate Energy Procurement Cooperative Program ID# 198ECAEPC.

MOTION TO ADOPT: Williams **Second:** Abdul-Rasheed

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion Carried by Seven Years; No Nays; No Abstentions and No Absences.

5) MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION: Abdul-Rasheed **VOICE VOTE** **SECOND:** Jones-Bell

ADJOURNMENT TIME: 7:25 P.M.

Dwight Mitchell
Municipal Clerk

Tency A. Eason
Council President

MINUTES APPROVAL

Passed on May 21, 2013

Conference & Regular Meeting on April 2, 2013

Motion to Adopt: Jones-Bell **Second:** Corbitt

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.