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, NEW JERSEY, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2013 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING AT 7:30 P.M.

1) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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		PRESENT	ABSENT
Hon. Hassan Abdul-Rasheed	(West Ward)	Arrived 7:35pm	
Hon. Elroy A. Corbitt	(At-Large)	X	
Hon. April Gaunt-Butler	(At-Large)	<u>X</u>	
Hon. Linda Jones-Bell	(East Ward)	<u>X</u>	
Hon. Edward B. Marable Jr.	(South Ward)	<u>X</u>	
Hon. Donna K. Williams	(At-Large)	X	
Hon. Tency A. Eason	(North Ward)	X	
Council President			

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

ALSO PRESENT

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

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.

4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

February 5, 2013 - Conference & Regular Meeting

Motion to adopt: Corbitt Second: Gaunt-Butler

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call as follows:

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

Navs: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Eason ruled the motion was carried by Six Yeas; No Nays; No Abstentions; One Absence.

February 19, 2013 - Conference & Regular Meeting

Motion to adopt: Corbitt 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 the motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nays; No Abstentions; No Absences.

5) REPORTS:

Finance Committee reports presentation by Hon. Donna K. Williams – (See Attached Report)

CONSTABLE REPORTS:

Eddie Stone: Month of March 2013 - No activities Cuthbert Harris: Month of March 2013 - No activities

OPRA REQUEST REPORTS:

Month of March 2013: 25 Completed OPRA Request and 1 outstanding.

Council President Eason directs the Municipal Clerk to file the reports.

6) COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

None

7) CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS 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.

Council President Eason recognized the following citizens for comments:

Mary L. Britt of 409 Olcott Street stated her concerns and inquires:

- Has concern with the codes and rules of the Police Patrol Officers.
- Stated Olcott Street is too narrow for double parking and traffic.
- No enforcement of Handicap Signage from the police department.
- Has handicap parking in front of her home and was not able to park. Notified police officer that was driving down the street and received no action.
- Needs additional parking permits and/or distribute visitor parking permits.
- Residents on Olcott Avenue have extreme difficulty with parking on their street when the park is hosting an event.

Jeff Feld of 268 Main Street stated his concerns and inquires:

- Commended the City Council for taking legal action against the administration.
- Would like emergency meeting agendas with resolutions available for the public in keeping with schedule for release in time for review.
- Hodges Settlement: Who are the defendants? What has the city spent in legal fees to defend action? Are any co-defendants paid into settlement?
- Transfer of \$200,000 from the Municipal Insurance Fund. Do we have enough money in the fund to cover Hodges and Conway settlements?
- Would like to see comparative analysis for RPM Redevelopment Projects.
- Revisit RPM Pilot Agreement effective dates, completion dates, etc.; Selling of condos for \$1.00????

Edith Sutterlin, Children's Librarian at Orange Library stated her concerns and inquires:

- Thanked the Clerk's Office for providing Library Board of Trustees List.
- Requested legality of Board of Trustees appointments and terms.
- Announced the closing of the Library tomorrow (4/17/2013).
- Children do not have Revel Card as adults and will not have access to neighboring libraries.
- Staff was not consulted as to relocation of staffing.
- Questions the Board of Trustees actions as it appears they do not operate or follow the Civil Service Rules and Regulations or Labor Laws.
- Communication between the Board of Trustees, Union and Staff are very difficult.
- The phone number that's listed for more information of the closing does not have a responsive person to respond to questions or concerns.

Bruce Meyers of 500 Berkeley stated his concerns and inquires:

 Oppose Ordinance 12-2013 restrictions on citizen comments and expressed if citizen comments are decreased he will notify the ACLU; as well as petition to have council members removed from the council. Also, making reference to the Jeff Conway case.

Joshua Salkosky of 393 Olcott Street stated his concerns and inquires:

- Oppose Ordinance 12-2013 for citizen comments to decrease to three minutes.
- Two Lights are out on Olcott Street.
- Parking permits are needed as well as police staff need to ticket vehicles that do not have parking permits.
- Public Safety Concern: Olcott Street is not wide enough for parking on both sides
 of street and have a flow of traffic. Ambulance and Fire vehicles cannot gain
 across to street with parking on both sides.

Murphy Wilson of 362 Heywood Avenue stated her concerns and inquires:

- Is outraged at Ordinance 12-2013 stating council themselves need to adhere and shorten their comments and take of business and not decrease Citizen Comments.
- Commented on the 4 Amigos and states there need to be further investigation.
- The public need to know more about the finances, abatements and all expenditures.

Katalin Gordon of 211Park Street stated her concerns and inquires:

- Oppose Ordinance 12-2013 for citizen comments to decrease to three minutes.
- Stated her Councilwoman Jones-Bell is not available to communicate with the public about issues that concern her.
- Resolution 155-2013: Disagree with the settlement as well as the way legal is handling such litigations.
- Comparative chart of RPM has not been provided to the Clerk Office.

Alexis Williams of 355 Thomas Blvd. stated her concerns and inquires:

Oppose Ordinance 12-2013 for citizen comments to decrease to three minutes.

Gloria Stewart of 62 Hampton Terrace stated her concerns and inquires:

- Thanked the Council for having their meeting on a different calendar night then the Board of Education monthly meetings.
- Thanked the Council Members that were able to attend the Pride Reception for Essex County Education Association and pride in public education.
- Hope the council continues to stop developers from rushing the city to pass resolutions/ordinances.
- Would like to see more retail and commercial needs of the Township of Orange instead of more housing.

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- Oppose Ordinance 12-2013 for citizen comments to decrease to three minutes.
- Advocate for Librarians and need to maintain the Library.
- States the Council need to stop bashing the Administration and work together to make Orange better.
- Inquiry into Post Office possible closing. What's the status of the rear parking lot?

Karen Wells of Highland Avenue stated her concerns and inquires:

- City of Orange Website does not provide adequate information.
- Services and Information of the City should be made available through website: Parking Tickets, Taxes, Council Questions and Comments Blogs, Water, Redevelopment Agreements, Rehabilitation of Services, Public School Impact Survey, etc.
- Transit Village: Oppose affordable/low income housing component.
- More Matters Magazine a FREE publication has no interest in posting Orange News or distributing in Orange.

Charles Coleman of Tompkins Street stated his concerns and inquires:

- Hands Iron Works has a business on 406 Tompkins, Iron Works aka "The Club House" has caused a major disturbance in the community with loud disruptive affairs with no oversight lasting until 2:00 am.
- Complained about Orange Police response to 911 calls about disturbance.
- Tax Revenue is not comparable to services received by Orange Township.
- The Police Officer is not enforcing the law as it relates to the disturbances
- Alleged the police officer stated "it's not his job to respond to such disturbances."

Tisa Singleton of 147 N. Day Street stated her concerns and inquires:

- Would like to know the status of the Library?
- Orange Township students are in the process of their 25 book challenge and cannot go to their neighboring library.
- Children are not allowed to use a revel card because it's for adults.
- Local library charge for computer services and the likes. How are the neighboring libraries accommodating Orange resident/students when they have to service their own residents.
- How can the library close without ample notice to Council, Board of Education Superintendent, etc.?
 - Tyshammie Cooper, President of the Board of Trustees for the Library stated the library is closed due to extremely dangerous conditions and 13 Violations cited from the State of New Jersey. As such, asbestos in the floor and walls, glass flooring on second floor unstable and cracking, ceiling leaking, etc. Violations have to be mitigated by May 1, 2013.

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William Lewis stated his concerns and inquires:

Oppose Ordinance 12-2013 for citizen comments to decrease to three minutes.

Motion to Close Citizen Comments:

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

8) COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council President Eason recognized the following Council Members for comments:

Councilman Abdul-Rasheed:

 Expressed he's not in favor of Ordinance 12-2013 and suggests the citizens research the initiator of the ordinance.

Councilman Marable Jr.:

- Commented on Iron Works / Hands disturbance and complaints.
 Councilman Marable and Council Members Corbitt and Williams along with Marty Mayes have visited Iron Works and are working together to resolve disturbance.
- Restated his sentiment on motions to extend council meeting. If three
 council members prior to him vote to not extend future meetings he will be
 the fourth vote to not extend with the notion to give the council what they
 want; Not that he doesn't want to handle the business of the city It's
 unfortunate the Council is taking this position as a way to curtail the time
 and length of the Council Meeting... It's not the way to do it.
- Resolution 152-2013: Unless he finds more information on the company in question "4 Amigos LLC" he will vote to NOT pass the resolution.
- Library Closing: Found out today the library is closing from a resident.
 Stating there needs to be a better effort to communicate city entities to Council.

Councilman Corbitt:

- Received calls about the department of recreation van seen in East Orange.
- Recommends if citizen comments are decreased to three minutes then Council Comments should also decrease to the same amount of time. Offering five minutes for both instead of three minutes.
- Reminded the council and public of two programs: 1) Information and Resource event on Saturday, April 20, 2013. 2) Expungement Seminar, Saturday, April 27, 2013.

Councilwoman Jones-Bell:

- Would like for City Council and the Administration to get along.
- Commend the Police Department for placing a speed parameter on Park Avenue to curtail the speeding of vehicles on Park Avenue near the Elementary School.
- Suggested Yield to Children Crossing Signage or Device.
- Expressed her disturbance with the Library Closing adding two-three years earlier the Library faced challenges with asbestos and assumed it was addressed.
- Is in total agreement with Councilman Corbitt regarding Ordinance 12-2013 in that both the Council Comments and Citizen Comments should reflect the same time of five minutes.
- Made reference to Olcott Street needing street lights and additional parking permits.

Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler:

- Stated "Whatever rules and regulations you place on the public you must also place on yourself". It is her belief as a Councilwoman that one needs to listen more and talk less. Also believing in thorough and efficient government. Suggesting Council President Eason reprioritize the Agenda and its format in making the meeting run more efficiently.
- Is in agreement with Councilman Corbitt regarding Ordinance 12-2013 in that both the Council Comments and Citizen Comments should decrease to five minutes.
- Would like the list of Library Violation from the State distributed to all Council Members.

Councilwoman Williams:

- The Library's Union (CWA), is not in agreement with the Library Board of Trustees and has had several communications between the two.
 Recommending a Liaison on Council for the Library to keep the Council knowledgeable of information and developments within the Library.
- Council constantly request information to be posted on the website for public view and will continue to do their due diligence to work on behalf of the public.

Council President Eason:

 Invited the community and staff to a change in venue for the next Council Meeting to respond to question of the City Council on business decisions they have made as to why the Council votes yea or nay on resolutions and/or ordinances.

- The change in venue was voted on agreed upon by Council for the next Council Meeting to address such matters.
- Commented on constant need to persuade the City Council to Extend the Council Meetings.
- In agreement with and asks the support of Council to approve Ordinance 12-2013 to amend Citizen Comments to reduce the time to five minutes.

9) ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

8-2013 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township authorizing the execution of a Financial Agreement with Orange Condominium Urban Renewal, L.P., and granting a Tax Exemption for Phase 1B of the Tony Galento Transit Village Project.

a) Second reading by title

Murphy Wilson stated:

• Concern with the fiscal and school impact statement, 30year tax abatement, time line and economic impact plan.

Jody Light stated:

- Would like to see more attractive retail. As such, Farmers Market, Gymnasium Facilities, Cafes', and/or New Schools.
- Feels as though the Council is rushing into approving the project.

Karen Wells stated:

- Inquired as to how Council can vote to approve Ordinance 8-2013 if they don't have the Redevelopment Plan.
- Stated Orange Township needs market rate housing to generate income.
- Would like to see the township website updated to provide information and services to the public.

Council President Eason motion to Extend the Meeting at 10:30pm.

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed Second: Jones-Bell

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed Abstentions: None Absences: None Council President Eason ruled the motion was carried by Six Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and No Absences.

Olander Peters stated:

- Council cannot approve tax abatement.
- Who brought in appraiser? Did the Council receive appraiser comparable's?

Jeff Feld stated:

- More transparency is needed on project.
- Pilot Agreement: There are two major drafting differences on Minimum Payments...Read Document.
- Section 2.02: Compare Walter G, SEA Agreement and Reock Street Agreements Two sentences were added that implies limitations of profits / template. There should be cross fault sections.
- Review percentage of revenue...Why is the City receiving less than 10%?

Katalin Gordon stated:

- Public Forum: Not well advertised; Two day notice and Not on website until the last minute.
- Disagrees with thirty year "Tax Abatement" Pilot.... Unacceptable.

Gloria Stewart stated:

Encourage the Council to not support this ordinance.

b) Motion to close public hearing:

Motion: Corbitt VOICE VOTE Second: Gaunt-Butler

c) Motion for final adoption:

Motion: Corbitt Second: Jones-Bell

On the motion, Councilwoman Williams asked Amelia Rideau, Attorney for McManimon, Scotland and Baumann on behalf of Re-Development to provide information on RPM proposed pilot to counter and clarify the concerns of the residents.

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, William and Eason

Nays: Corbitt Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Six Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and No Absences.

9-2013 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township authorizing the amendment of Ordinance 9-2012 – a financial agreement with Station Partners Urban Renewal, L.P., originally passed on April 17, 2012 granting a modified tax exemption for Phase 1 of the Tony Galento Plaza Project.

a) Second reading by title

Jeff Feld stated:

Review Section 2.2 Walter G Alexander

Karen Wells stated:

- No other Transit Village is putting affordable housing in their village.
- Currently four to five affordable housing developments are in the Transit Village.

Murphy Wilson stated:

- Corridor is currently saturated with affordable housing.
- Stated the city is building a new "Ghetto".

b) Motion to close public hearing:

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

c) Motion for final adoption:

Motion: Corbitt Second: Abdul-Rasheed

On the motion, Councilwoman Williams stated several residents have had to leave the City of Orange because they cannot afford the current housing. Councilwoman Williams asked Mr. Martoglio of RPM to define "Affordable Housing" from the perspective of RPM and "Who is the face of Affordable Housing"?

Mr. Martoglio stated applicants have to meet the Income Restrictions and astringent Credit and Criminal Standards are look upon as affordable recipients. The prospective face of the Tony Galento Project are professionals: Teachers, Police and Firemen, and hard-working families.

On the motion, Council President Eason responded to Murphy Wilson comment of the Tony Galento Plaza Project being a "Ghetto Development" because of the affordable housing component. Council President Eason stated Orange unemployment rate is 9.4% and that hard working residents of Orange should be able to have the opportunity to live in a newly develop mixed dwelling as any other six figure salary resident.

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Jones-Bell, Marable, William and Eason

Nays: Corbitt

Abstentions: Gaunt-Butler

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; One Abstention and No Absences.

Council President Eason ruled a Motion to RECESS for five minutes at 11:17pm.

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

Council President Eason ruled a Motion to RECONVENE at 11:25pm.

Motion: Corbitt VOICE VOTE Second: Abdul-Rasheed

10) ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION /FIRST READING

The Municipal Clerk announced that Ordinance 13-2013 will be brought from the floor, and placed on the Agenda. The Municipal Clerk then reads it into the record by title.

13-2013 An ordinance of City of Orange Township Essex County, New Jersey Calendar Year 2013 Ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation limits and to establish a Cap Bank (NJSA. 40A:4-45.14).

Council President Eason entertained a motion to Suspend the Rules of the agenda to add Ordinance 13-2013 to the Agenda.

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed Second: Jones-Bell

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Jones-Bell, Marable, William and Eason

Nays: Corbitt

Abstentions: Gaunt-Butler

Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; One Abstention and No Absences.

- 11-2013 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" Section 200-38 One Way Streets.
 - a) Motion to adopt on the first reading:

On the motion, Councilman Corbitt requested additional information on Ordinance 11-2013 before approving.

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed Second: Jones-Bell

The Municipal Clerk announced motion to adopt on first reading is WITHDRAWN.

The Municipal Clerk announced Ordinance 11-2013 has been WITHDRAWN BY COUNCIL.

- 12-2013 An ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Entitled Administration of Government dealing with the Public comments portion of City Council Meeting.
 - a) Motion to TABLED by Council

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed Second: Williams

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Jones-Bell, Marable Jr. and William

Nays: Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Eason

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Four Yeas; Three Nays; No Abstentions and No Absences.

The Municipal Clerk announced that this ordinance will be addressed to lift at the next Council Meeting.

- 13-2013 An ordinance of City of Orange Township Essex County, New Jersey Calendar Year 2013 Ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation limits and to establish a Cap Bank (NJSA. 40A:4-45.14).
 - a) Motion to adopt on first reading:

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed **Second:** Williams

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, William

and Eason

Nays: None

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nay; No Abstention and No Absences.

b) Public Hearing May 21, 2013

11) CONSENT AGENDA

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.

The Municipal Clerk stated tonight's Agenda will be combined with the Addendum Resolutions because they were not acted upon during the April 2, 2013 Council Meeting. The first group will be tonight's Agenda 148-2013 thru 157-2013 followed by the Addendum Resolutions 126-2013 thru 139-2013.

The Municipal Clerk state these resolutions have been REMOVED FOR A SEPARATE VOTE as follows: 155-2013 and 157-2013.

The Municipal Clerk announced Resolution 152-2013 has been <u>WITHDRAWN</u> by the COUNCIL.

*152-2013 A resolution authorizing the sale of tax sale certificates held by the City of Orange Township to 4 Amigos, LLC.

RESOLUTIONS: *148-2013 - *157-2013

- *148-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to state board judgments in the amount of \$133,170.54.
- *149-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of water/sewer paid due to overpayment in the amount of \$2,000.00.
- *150-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to state board judgments in the amount of \$37,137.15.
- *151-2013 A resolution authorizing the Finance Department of the City of Orange Township to allow redemption by installment agreement of taxes owing to

the City of Orange Township for property known as Block 2501, Lot 010 more commonly known as 570 Main Street in the name of 570 Main LLC.

- *153-2013 A resolution of the City of Orange Township in the County of Essex, New Jersey authorizing execution of a first amendment to the redevelopment agreement for the redevelopment of the proposed Tony Galento Plaza Transit Village Project.
- *154-2013 A resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 to modify the contract for the project known as the Metcalf Park Improvements Phase II in the amount not to exceed \$9,020.63.
- *156-2013 A resolution authorizing settlement of litigation entitled the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. Et Al, V. Occidental Chemical Corporation, et al. Docket No. ESX-L-9868-05 (PASR), substantially in accordance with the terms of a proposed consent judgment and any related documents.

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion: Corbitt Second: Gaunt-Butler

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, William

and Eason Nays: None

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nay; No Abstention and No Absences.

The Municipal Clerk announced the resolutions that were <u>REMOVED FOR A SEPARATE</u> VOTE.

*155-2013 A resolution authorizing settlement in the matter of Jeffrey W. Conway v. City of Orange, et al.

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed Second: Jones-Bell

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

On the motion, Councilman Marable Jr. states how unfortunate the Council is entertaining this resolution. And is not in favor of compensating a dime; however, in the event this matter goes to court it will cost the City of Orange a lot more; with that being said, he will regrettably vote yes.

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

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed Abstentions: Eason Absences: None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; One Abstention and No Absences.

*157-2013 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on April 16, 2013 dated April 10, 2013 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$460,379.62).

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed **Second:** Gaunt-Butler

On the motion, Councilman Corbitt made a previous inquiry as to why the City of Orange is paying taxes to West Orange?

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

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

Nays: Abdul-Rasheed and Marable Jr.

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Five Yeas; Two Nay; No Abstention and No Absences.

Council President Eason entertained a motion to Suspend the Rules and Add Addendum Resolutions 126-2013 thru 139-2013 to the Consent Agenda that NO ACTION was taken upon on April 2, 2013.

Motion: Corbitt Second: Gaunt-Butler

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, William

and Eason Nays: None

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nay; No Abstention and No Absences.

The Municipal Clerk announced Resolution 140-2013 has been WITHDRAWN by Administration.

*140-2013 A resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract with Birdsall Engineering, 611 Industrial Way West, Eatontown, New Jersey 07724 for professional engineering services for construction management services of the city's contract with Scafar Contracting for the Chestnut Street Pump Station Rehabilitation Project in the amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 (WITHDRAWN BY ADMIN.)

The Municipal Clerk state these resolutions have been **REMOVED FOR A SEPARATE VOTE** as follows: **137-2013 and 138-2013.**

- *126-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to county board judgment in the amount of \$2,198.68 to Budd Larner, PC, 313 Highland Avenue, Block 4803, Lot 016.
- *127-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to county board judgment in the amount of \$1,676.54 to Powell, Timothy W., 221 North Center Street, Block 1006, Lot 043.

- *128-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to county board judgment in the amount of \$2,259.07to Hunter, Stafford, L. & Janet R., 676 Tremont Court, Block 6602, Lot 024.
- *129-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel second quarter of 2012 and third quarter of 2012 tax billing for Housing Authority City of Orange, 207 Oakwood Avenue, Block 3303, Lot 033 in the amount of \$781.44 plus interest.
- *130-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel fourth quarter of 2011, second quarter of 2012 and third quarter of 2012 tax billing for Housing Authority City of Orange, 211 Oakwood Avenue, Block 3303, Lot 035 in the amount of \$1,156.82 plus interest.
- *131-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel second quarter of 2012 and third quarter of 2012 tax billing for Housing Authority City of Orange, 209 Oakwood Avenue, Block 3303, Lot 034 in the amount of \$610.47 plus interest.
- *132-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel fourth quarter 2011, second quarter of 2012, and third quarter of 2012 tax billing for Housing Authority City of Orange, 205 Oakwood Avenue, Block 3303, Lot 032 in the amount of \$949.75 plus interest.
- *133-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel second quarter of 2012, third quarter of 2012 and fourth quarter of 2012 tax billing for Housing Authority City of Orange, 219 Oakwood Avenue, Block 3303, Lot 039 in the amount of \$5,448.92 plus interest.
- *134-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel third quarter of 2012 tax billing for Housing Authority City of Orange, 215 Oakwood Avenue, Block 3303, Lot 037 in the amount of \$178.55 plus interest.
- *135-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel second quarter of 2012 and third quarter of 2012 tax billing for Housing Authority City of Orange, 213 Oakwood Avenue, Block 3303, Lot 036 in the amount of \$781.44 plus interest.
- *136-2013 A resolution authorizing the tax collector to cancel taxes on 124 South Essex Avenue, Block 3501, Lot 029 due to existing quarterly bills as per agreement concerning the implementation of the "Pilot" effective July 5, 2011 under Resolution No. 180-2011.
- *139-2013 A resolution to allow filing of the 2012 year recycling tonnage grant.

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed Second: Jones-Bell

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, William

and Eason Nays: None

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nay; No Abstention and No Absences.

The Municipal Clerk announced the resolutions that were <u>REMOVED FOR A SEPARATE</u> VOTE.

*137-2013 A resolution ratifying and confirming the continued employment of John H. Watson, Jr., Esq., 63 Washington Street, East Orange, New Jersey 07017 to handle conflict workers compensation matters in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Motion: Abdul-Rasheed Second: Williams

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, William

and Eason Navs: None

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nay; No Abstention and No Absences.

*138-2013 A resolution rejecting the bids for the construction of the High and Alden Street Park Project.

Motion: Corbitt Second: Abdul-Rasheed

The Municipal Clerk announced the roll call:

Yeas: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, William

and Eason Nays: None

Abstentions: None **Absences:** None

Council President Eason ruled that the Motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nay; No Abstention and No Absences.

- 12) OTHER PENDING BUSINESS
- 13) MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

Adjournment Time: 12:00 A.M.

Dwight Mitchell Toncy A Facon

Dwight Mitchell Tency A. Eason
Municipal Clerk 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.