

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

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

5) REPORTS:

Finance Committee reports by Hon. Donna K. Williams.

CONSTABLE REPORTS:

None

OPRA REQUEST REPORTS:

None

President directs Clerk to file reports

6) COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Petition for changes to Public Parking – 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 Williams recognized the following citizens for comments:

Jeff Feld of 268 Main Street stated the following:

- Transparency: Hearing Litigation between Administration and Council made available to the public.
- Made inquiry into the Bond Ordinance.
- Resolution 239-2013: Tax Relief: Review schedule and terms. Also, Reock Street: What are the basis and findings?

Darlene Sample of 92-94 Park Street stated the following:

- Park Street needs speed bumps to deter speeding.
- Street Repair: Park Street, Police Department and Main and Park Avenue.
- Notified Council of big hole in ground diagonal from Park Street on New Street.

Rod Patriot of 449 Linton Place stating the following:

- Made inquiries into parking permit for Linton Place.
- Recommended additional parking permits for Scotland Road and Central Avenue.
- Requested Spanish/English literature.

Marcia Guzman of 449 Linton Place stated the following:

- Although she has a Parking Permit; she received 3 parking tickets because she cannot park in her allotted space due to it being taken.
- Speeding and children playing in the street on Linton Place is a problem as well with fear that someone particularly a child will get hurt.

Motion to Close Citizen Comments:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

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8) COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council President Williams recognized the following Council Members for comments:

Councilwoman Eason:

- Thanked Council Members for supporting efforts while serving as Council President.
- Apprised the Council Members and residents of the North Ward Cleanup Initiative seeking merchant and resident participation.
- Shared information on 2nd Chances from the County regarding her Street Cleaning Initiative.
- Requested Jeffrey Feld to stop making negative remarks about the previous Mayor Mimms Hackett and his family.

Councilman Marable:

- Stated the Signage at the tip of Orange Park remains unchanged. Noting the intersection/street is very dangerous. Requesting an update/status at the next Council Meeting.

- Expressed concern with the Administrations constant Walk-ons of Resolutions and Ordinances with significant amounts of money's. Stating it doesn't allow the Council Members the opportunity to adequately review and research said information.
- Requested clarity Resolution 243-2013 and the usage of the \$750,000.00.

Councilwoman Jones-Bell:

- Will review and ensure follow-up of street repairs on Park Street.
- Updated the Council and Residents on renaming Williams Street after Doris Langley-Clark.
- Announced she has for distribution to Council Members and Residents free basketball tickets to see the Lady Liberty New Jersey Team play at the Prudential Center in Newark, NJ.

Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler:

- Wished everyone a safe holiday.

Councilman Corbitt:

- Would like to thank Council Members for the opportunity to serve as Council Vice President.
- Congratulated Donna Williams on her confirmation as the new Council President.
- Looks forward to more efficient Council Meetings.

Council President Williams:

- Thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve as President.
- Elaborated on the importance and need of Resolution 240-2013.
- Echoed Council Vice President Corbitt desire for increased Council Meeting efficiency.

9) ORDINANCES–SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING
None

10) ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION /FIRST READING

Council President Williams entertained a motion to Suspend the Rules to ADD Ordinances 31-2013 to the agenda.

Motion: Corbitt **Second:** Gaunt-Butler

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

Council President Williams entertained a motion to Suspend the Rules and ADD Ordinances 32-2013 to the agenda.

Motion: Gaunt-Butler **Second:** Corbitt

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

26-2013 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking Spaces. (218 Hickory Street).

a) Motion to adopt in first reading:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

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

b) Public Hearing August 7, 2013

27-2013 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking Spaces. (116 N. Essex Avenue – East Side)

a) Motion to adopt in first reading:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

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

b) Public Hearing August 7, 2013

28-2013

An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking Spaces. (572 Forest Street – South Side).

a) Motion to adopt in first reading:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

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

b) Public Hearing August 7, 2013

29-2013

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 in first reading:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

Yeas: Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Williams and Eason
Nays: Marable
Abstentions: None
Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

b) Public Hearing August 7, 2013

30-2013

An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-46, Schedule XV: Prohibited Turns at Intersections. (Recommended by Councilman Hassan Abdul-Rasheed).

a) Motion to adopt in first reading:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

Yeas: Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, Williams and Eason
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

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

b) Public Hearing August 7, 2013

31-2013

Refunding Bond Ordinance of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey (The “City”) providing for (i) The refunding of outstanding and callable water-sewer utility bonds, Series 2003A, and (ii) Authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$8,000,000 aggregate principal amount of water-sewer utility refunding bonds, Series 2013 of the city to effect such refunding and appropriating the proceeds thereof.

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

Yeas: Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Williams and Eason
Nays: None
Abstentions: Marable
Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; No Nays; One Abstention and One Absence.

32-2013 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 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$8,935,500 Bonds or Notes of the City to finance the costs thereof.

Motion: Corbitt **Second:** Gaunt-Butler

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

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.

Council President Williams entertained a motion to **Suspend the Rules and ADD Resolutions 242-2013, 243-2013 and 244-2013** on the Consent Agenda.

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

***242-2013 A resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$1,820,000 of Calendar Year 2013 Tax Anticipation Notes of the City of Orange Township in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey.**

Motion to ADD to Consent Agenda: Eason Second: Corbitt

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

***243-2013 A resolution of the City of Orange Township in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey authorizing the submission of (1) An application to the Local Finance Board requesting approval of a Bond Ordinance under the provisions of the Municipal Qualified Bond Act, NJSA 40A:3-1 and a waiver of down payment pursuant to NJSA 40A:2-11(c) and NJSA 40A:2-7 (d) and (2) an application to the Local Finance Board requesting approval of an exception to the "CAP LAW" pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-45.3 dd.**

Motion to ADD to Consent Agenda: Corbitt Second: Jones-Bell

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

***244-2013 A resolution for Emergency Temporary Appropriations to the Calendar Year 2013 Budget for the Month of July.**

Motion to ADD to Consent Agenda: Corbitt Second: Jones-Bell

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

Yeas: Corbitt, Jones-Bell, Williams and Eason

Nays: Marable and Gaunt-Butler

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion CARRY by Four Yeas; Two Nays; No Abstentions and One Absence.

Deputy Municipal Clerk Smith announced resolutions **232-2013 and 241-2013** have been **WITHDRAWN by Administration.**

***232-2013** A resolution authorizing the sale of tax sale certificates by assignment.

***241-2013** A resolution adopting the Calendar Year 2013 Municipal Budget (January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013).

Deputy Municipal Clerk Smith stated the following resolutions have been **Removed for a Separate Vote: 240-2013, 242-2013, 243-2013 and 244-2013.**

RESOLUTIONS: *233-2013 – *239-2013

- *233-2013** A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to State Board Judgments in the amount of \$71,173.64.
- *234-2013** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund first quarter of 2013 for the Housing Authority City of Orange, 105 Wilson Place, Block 3302, Lot 001.03 in the amount of \$2,592.96 due to an existing pilot agreement.
- *235-2013** Authority City of Orange, 98 Parrow Street, Block 3302, Lot 001.01 in the amount of \$2,166.72 due to an existing pilot agreement.
- *236-2013** A resolution authorizing a refund of \$300.00 to Mary Finney of 678 Berkley Avenue, Orange, NJ 07050 for a Certificate of Occupancy Inspection at 284 Ogden Street, Orange, New Jersey.
- *237-2013** A resolution authorizing a refund of \$200.00 to Cuthbert Harris of 678 Haxtun Avenue, Orange, NJ 07050 for a Certificate of Occupancy Sales Inspection at 678 Haxtun Avenue, Orange, NJ

- *238-2013** A resolution authorizing the sale of Block 1701, Lot 2 to the highest bidder for a minimum of \$102,600.00
- *239-2013** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township supporting Reock Urban Renewal, LLC and its application to the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency for the redevelopment of 263 Reock Street and 48 South Day Street located in the City of Orange, New Jersey.

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

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

Deputy Municipal Clerk Smith stated the resolutions that were removed will now be considered for a Separate Vote.

- *240-2013** A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on July 2, 2013 dated June 26, 2013 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95.
(Grand Total: \$5,282,902.99)

Motion to amend and adopt revised Grand Total to \$5,282,752.99:

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

- *242-2013** A resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$1,820,000 of Calendar Year 2013 Tax Anticipation Notes of the City of Orange Township in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey.

Motion: Corbitt **Second:** Gaunt-Butler

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: Marable

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; One Nay; No Abstentions and One Absence.

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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Abstentions: None

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

Yeas: Corbitt, Jones-Bell, Williams and Eason

Nays: Marable and Gaunt-Butler

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed

Council President Williams ruled the motion DID NOT CARRY by Four Yeas; Two Nays; No Abstentions and One Absence.

12) OTHER PENDING BUSINESS

Council President Williams requested of Council Members to be prepared at the August 7th, 2013 Council Meeting to discuss and vote on a Public Question for the November Election. Council would like to add a Public Question on the Ballot for the City of Orange (1) Would you prefer to continue with an Appointed School Board or Elected School Board? (2) Would you prefer a Part-Time or Full-Time Mayor?

Councilwoman Eason asked the Council Members if they would like to go into a Closed Executive Session to update Council and discuss Personnel Matters of the City Municipal Clerk?

Council President Williams entertains a motion for an Executive Closed Session to discuss Personnel Matter of the Clerk.

***245-2013**

A Resolution to Hold an Executive (Closed) Session.

Motion: Corbitt **VOICE VOTE** **Second:** Jones-Bell

Councilwoman Eason provided an update on Dwight Mitchell continued employment. Stating Mr. Mitchell confirmed a conversation with Mayor Dwayne Warren emphasizing the importance on his longevity pay. Further stating, Mr. Mitchell does not want to return.

Council President Williams requested City Attorney, Dan Smith to setup a meeting with all parties involved. A Rice Notice will be prepared for August 7, 2013 Council Meeting at 6:00pm.

Council President Williams entertained a motion to close the Executive Closed Session:

Motion: Eason **VOICE VOTE** **Second:** Jones-Bell

Council President Williams entertained a motion to Reconvene into the Regular Meeting.

Motion: Corbitt **VOICE VOTE** **Second:** Jones-Bell

13) MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

Adjournment Time: 10:10PM

**Madeline F. Smith, RMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk**

**Donna K. Williams
Council President**

MINUTES APPROVAL

Passed on August 7th, 2013

Conference & Regular Meeting on July 2nd, 2013

Hon. Abdul-Rasheed cannot vote because he was not present.

Motion to Adopt: Corbitt **Second:** Gaunt-Butler

The roll call by Council President Williams was as followed:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: Abdul-Rasheed

Absences: Eason

Council President Williams ruled the Motion was carried by Five Yeas; No Nays; One Abstention and One Absence.