

A SPECIAL 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 WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2013 AT 7:00PM.

1) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2) ROLL CALL

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

ALSO PRESENT

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| Madeline F. Smith, Deputy Municipal Clerk | <u> X </u> | <u> </u> |
| Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Mayor | <u> </u> | <u> X </u> |
| Tyshammie Cooper, Acting Business Admin. | <u> X </u> | <u> </u> |
| Dan S. Smith, City Attorney | <u> </u> | <u> X </u> |
| Avram White, Assistant City Attorney | <u> X </u> | <u> </u> |
| Kevin Harris, Legislative Research Officer | <u> X </u> | <u> </u> |
| Dieter Lerch, Budget Consultant | <u> X </u> | <u> </u> |
| Antoinette Dismukes, Clerk’s Office | <u> X </u> | <u> </u> |

3) 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 published in the Star Ledger on July 20, 2013, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

4) CITIZEN COMMENTS

Council President Williams after Jeffrey Feld request Suspended the Rules to allow Dieter Lerch the Budget Consult to make a brief summation on Resolution 248-2013 for transparency.

Motion: Jones-Bell

Voice Vote

Second: Gaunt-Butler

Dieter Lerch, Budget Consultant of Lerch, Vinci & Higgins LLP; provided a brief summation of the previous introduced, its amendments and budget purpose of revisions on said amendments and its need to amend the appropriations of over expenditures, etc. Further stating, if the Budget passes it then negates the need for future Emergency Temporary Appropriations. If not, the City will be faced with an August Emergency Temporary Appropriation.

Council President Williams resumed citizen comments recognizing the following:

Jeffrey Feld of 258 Main Street stated the following concerns:

- Language needs to be clarified pertaining to dates.
- Conflict of information provided on July 2, 2013 verses information provided at tonight’s meeting.
- Made inquiry into the CAP Fund.

Katalin Gordon of Park Place stated the following concerns:

- Is it legal to take 10 years payment and use it in one year?
- Made inquiry into percentage of tax.

Murphy Wilson of Heywood Avenue stated the following concerns:

- Concern with disparity of information as it relates to the \$750,000.00.

5) MOTION TO CLOSE CITIZEN COMMENTS

MOTION: Eason **VOICE VOTE** **SECOND:** Gaunt-Butler

6) RESOLUTION

248-2013 A resolution to amend the City of Orange Township Calendar Year 2013 Municipal Budget.

MOTION TO ADOPT: Corbitt **SECOND:** Eason

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: None

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Seven Yeas; No Nays; No Abstentions and No Absences.

7) MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION: Corbitt **VOICE VOTE** **SECOND:** Gaunt-Butler

ADJOURNMENT TIME: 8:10PM

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

**Donna K. Williams
Council President**

MINUTES APPROVAL

Passed on September 3, 2013

Conference & Regular Meeting on July 24th, 2013

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

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

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

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed, Eason and Marable

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Four Yeas; No Nays; No Abstentions and Three Absent.