

THIS WAS 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, DECEMBER 19, 2017, FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

The Chair led all assembled in a Salute to the American Flag.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Tency A. Eason, North Ward
Councilman Christopher Jackson, At-Large
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward
Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large
Council-president Kerry Coley, East Ward

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Eric Pennington, City Attorney
Marlin Townes, Acting Legislative Research Officer
Margarette Homere, Senior Clerk, Clerk's Office
Lisette Sanchez, Records Support Technician
Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director,
Marty Mayes, Director of Planning/Public Work
Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer

Absent: Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large

The City 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 13, 2017, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES MEETINGS

- **September 19, 2017 Conference and Regular Minutes**

**Motion to adopt the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from September 19, 2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.
The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

REPORTS:

DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION

- **Department of Planning & Economic Development**
- **Month of September 2017- Total amount- \$38,802.00**

- **Month of October 2017- Total amount- \$73,669.00**
- **Month of November 2017- Total amount- \$91,312.00**

CONSTABLE REPORTS -

- **Richard Noisy- November 10, 2017 – Pro-Cops-Security, November 15, 2017 Meeting and November 30, 2017 Pro-Cops-Security.**
- **Darnel Brodi-Month of November 2017-No activity**
- **Cory Perkins-Month of November 2017-No activity**

OPRA REPORTS

- **100 OPRA received, 83 completed 17 pending: Total 53 pending from January as of December 13, 2017**

COUNCIL REPORTS

Finance: Councilwoman Williams gave her report on the Finance Committee meeting that had taken place the night before. They had an update on the Vose Avenue Project. She reported on ordinances and resolutions that had been discussed at the meeting.

Planning: Councilwoman Eason reported on the meeting that took place the Wednesday before and reported that they are finalizing the resolution for the Central Orange Development.

Library No report.

Housing Councilman Johnson, Jr. reported that the next meeting is December 21st.

DPW: No report.

Fire: Director Douglass provided a report on upcoming events and spoke about the success of the Toy Drive.

Police: No report

Council President directs Clerk to file reports.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS – None

The City Clerk made the following statement:

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 Five (5) 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.

The following residents and business owners made comments.

- Mr. Jeffery Feld spoke about current events. He spoke about the Corrective Action Plan. He spoke about the Feld court cases and upcoming court cases he will file against the city. He spoke about the late bill list. He spoke about his concern with the outside lawyers and their bills.
- Ms. Nickie Brown spoke about her son that was not allowed back in school. The issue was not his fault. She reported that she had gone to the Board of Education. Councilwoman Eason will look into the matter.
- Ms. Katalin Gordon provided the Council Members with a list of her issues. She spoke about Ordinance 86-2017 and the amount of it and which locations were affected. Resolution 403-2017 did not have backup documentation. She commented on the Corrective Action Plan and wanted to review prior year's plans. She commented that the same issues came up year after year she wondered if it was a surprise to the Finance Department.
- Mr. Mark Larson representing Local 210, the Fireman's Association made a statement regarding the Fire Chief position that was being removed and the firemen's contract. He spoke about having a Fire Chief as the leader of the Fire Department. He asked the Council to vote no on the ordinance.
- Mr. Marquis Bonds the President of the FBA Local 10 of the Orange Fire Department. Stated that they do not see it being in their best interest to take away the Fire Chief position in Orange providing the reasons why.

Motion to close Citizen Comments by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

- The Business Administrator spoke about accounting corrections on a grant that was received in 2014. He stated that if Ms. Gordon wants a list of structures that will be demolished, she can see it in Director Mayes's Office. The Business Administrator addressed the outside attorneys that may be hired and why it was necessary. The Business Administrator reported that he cannot go back to audit old items. As far as the statement made by Local 210 and the arbitration, he suggested that they ask their attorney. With regard to Mr. Feld, the Business Administrator stated that he had read Mr. Feld's letter and will answer it at the January meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Councilwoman Summers-Johnson Spoke about the trip to Disney World. She spoke of meetings she had with Valley Arts. They will meet with other Valley vendors to address some of the crime in the Valley. The Police and the Business Administrator have a plan and there will be neighborhood watches. This will start in the Valley but will be expanded to other sections of Orange. She spoke about taking 25 children to the White House Nursing Home. In October instead of doing a community meeting she went door to door to listen to the concerns and comments of the residents. She reported that her son will be having his final surgery early 2018.
- Councilwoman Williams congratulated the Lady Bengles. She asked about the signs and traffic plan and the loading zone on Main and Cleveland. The Business Administrator said that the signs have been ordered and a report is coming in from the engineer and the police regarding the traffic

plans. In January he hopes to resolve those issues. She asked for clarification on side jobs for utility work on the roads. The Business Administrator stated they can use State Police besides Orange Police. The City tries to get them to use Orange Police. Councilwoman Williams asked the Business Administrator if the city hires outside counsel, their agreement with a resolution will come back to the Council asking for permission. The Business Administrator said that was his understanding. She asked the City Attorney if that was his understanding as well. City Attorney Pennington said that it was his hope the Council had confidence in him. If the Council wants that he will do so. Councilwoman Williams brought up the fact that the resolutions do not have “not to exceed rates” on them and that can lead to things getting out of hand. She suggested that next year having legislation that has guide lines for outside attorneys. The Business Administrator said that once there is a limited amount on contracts they will have the certification of funds with supporting documents if an attorney is hired. She provided information on upcoming events.

- Councilwoman Eason asked if the sign on High Street gets changed by the city or the County. Director Mayes will look into that. She reported on new events that took place in her Ward. She questioned that one of the attorneys in Resolution 409-2017 is also the Rent Leveling Attorney. Is that a conflict? The City Attorney stated it was not at this time.
- Councilman Jackson spoke about the missed filing deadline by the Board of Education for the Special Election.

Motion to extend the meeting past 10:30 P.M. by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

- Councilman Johnson, Jr. wished everyone a safe and happy holiday and thanked Councilwoman Summers-Johnson for being a dream maker, teacher and mom.
- Council President Coley commented that he believes that Orange will be a model city one day.

ORDINANCES—SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

- 77-2017** An Ordinance to transfer a portion of 29 Park Street (the east side of Canfield Street) Block 1902, Lot 4 to Canfield Developers, LLC for the new construction of four-story commercial building with retail and thirty dwelling units with parking.
(Postponed till January 2nd 2018 meeting)

The Clerk read the ordinance by title.

- 79-2017** An Ordinance of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, appropriating \$2,350,000 from the Water Utility Capital Improvement Fund to fund certain improvements in connection with the City’s water, storm water and waste water systems.

The Clerk reported that the name of the fund is the Water Utility Capital Surplus Fund

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 79-2017.

Seeing no one, the Chair declared the time closed.

Motion to close the public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 79-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read the ordinance by title.

85-2017 An ordinance to mandate direct deposit for Municipal Employees by the City of Orange Township pursuant to C.52:14-15f et seq.

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 85-2017.

Seeing no one, the Chair declared the time closed.

Motion to close the public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 85-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCTION/ FIRST READING

The Clerk read the ordinance by title.

86-2017 Capital ordinance appropriating \$325,000 from the Capital Fund to pay for the demolition and disposal of unsafe buildings, in and by the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey.

Motion that Ordinance 86-2017 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 16, 2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten,

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read the ordinance by title.

- 87-2017** An ordinance authorizing the City of Orange Township and Municipal Council to accept the Planning Board's recommended amendments to the Central Orange Development Plan.

Motion that Ordinance 87-2017 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 16, 2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten,

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk reported the following:

On the November 8th 2017 meeting Resolution 347-2017 was passed, it was sent to HUD and they sent it back and asked that amendments be made. The Clerk read the title and amendments into the record. The changes were minor so the resolution did not have to be adopted again.

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Clerk read the following statement.

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 request, in which event, the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence of the agenda.

RESOLUTION NUMBERS *386-2017 through*426-2017

- *386-2017** A resolution to approve the Corrective Action Plan for the Calendar Year 2016.
- *387-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Planning & Development approved by the Division of Local Government Services on March 7, 1995.
- *388-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for City Clerk's Office approved by the Division of Local Government Services on November 1, 1999.
- *389-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Police approved by the Division of Local Government Services on April 5, 1988.
- *390-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Recreation approved by the Division of Local Government Services on November 7, 1984.
- *391-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Planning & Development approved by the Division of Local Government Services on October 19, 1993.
- *392-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Finance approved by the Division of Local Government Services on April 5, 1988.

- *393-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Administration approved by the Division of Local Government Services on April 5, 1988.
- *394-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Fire approved by the Division of Local Government Services on April 5, 1988.
- *395-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Health & Welfare approved by the Division of Local Government Services on March 21, 1978.
- *396-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for City Clerk approved by the Division of Local Government Services on April 5, 1988.
- *397-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for Public Works approved by the Division of Local Government Services on April 5, 1988.
- *398-2017** A resolution rescinding petty cash fund for City Attorney approved by the Division of Local Government Services on August 15, 1984.
- *399-2017** A resolution establishing a new centralize petty cash fund in the Finance Department for all departments at City Hall.
- *400-2017** A resolution establishing a new centralize petty cash fund at the Fire Department.
- *401-2017** A resolution establishing a new centralize petty cash fund at the Police Department.
- *402-2017** A resolution ratifying, authorizing and approving an agreement between the City of Orange Township and Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC to represent the City of Orange Township with regards to appraisals on real property in tax appeal matters in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 (2017).
- *403-2017** A resolution adopting a flexible benefits plan for employees of the City of Orange Township via AFLAC Insurance Company and Wageworks.
- *404-2017** A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township and Municipal Council accept the Planning Board's resolution for review and consideration for the properties known as 205 and 217 Mount Vernon Avenue as areas in need of redevelopment or rehabilitation.
- *405-2017** A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to support the New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Project and the application for funding to make infrastructure improvements that will improve the walking and biking environment for students.
- *406-2017** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of outstanding checks.

- *407-2017** A resolution authorizing Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC to represent the City of Orange Township as an expert in regard to appraisal and valuation on real property in tax appeal matters in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for a period from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018.
- *408-2017** A resolution designating a representative and an alternate to the Essex County Community Development Block Grant Committee for the year 2018.
- *409-2017** A resolution authorizing the law firms of Jeanette Calderon-Arnold and Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, to represent the City of Orange Township in regard to tax appeal matters.
- *410-2017** A resolution authorizing the law firms of Eric Bernstein & Associates, Belotta Law Firm, LLC, Jeanette Calderon-Arnold, Clarence Barry-Austin, Scarinci & Hollenbeck, LLP, Lamb Kretzer, Michael Armstrong, Greenbaum Rowe, John Watson, David Stanziale, LLC., Mizrahi Partners And Weiner Law Group to participate on an as needed basis in the pool of qualified defense counsel on behalf of the City, its officers and employees.
- *411-2017** A resolution authorizing the law firms of Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC., Scarinci & Hollenbeck, Genova Burns, LLC., Michael Armstrong, Greenbaum Rowe and Weiner Law Group, to participate on an as needed basis in the pool of qualified labor Counsel on behalf of the City, for a one (1) year period.
- *412-2017** A resolution authorizing the law firm of Waters, McPherson & McNeill, Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer And McManimon & Scotland, LLP, to participate on an as needed basis in the pool of qualified Bond Counsel on behalf of the City, for a one (1) year period.
- *413-2017** A resolution authorizing the law firms OF Murphy Partners, Gluck Walrath, LLP., McManimon & Scotland, LLP, and Michael Armstrong to participate on an as needed basis in the pool of qualified redevelopment counsel on behalf of the City, for a one (1) year period.
- *414-2017** A resolution for the transfer of appropriation for the Calendar Year 2017.
(Removed for separate vote)
- *415-2017** Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 for overtime costs incurred by the Police Department and authorizing the issuance of emergency notes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51. **(Removed for separate vote)**
- *416-2017** Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 for legal cost associated with Special Council for labor matters and authorizing the issuance of emergency notes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51. **(Removed for separate vote)**

- *417-2017** Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 for payment of water purchases in the Water/Sewer Utility Fund and authorizing the issuance of emergency notes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51. **(Removed for separate vote)**
- *418-2017** **Resolution reserving funds for salary settlements.**
- *419-2017** **A resolution to cancel 2017 current fund budget appropriation balances.**
- *420-2017** **A resolution approving the City of Orange Township's participation in the 1033 program established by the United States Department of Defense.**
- *421-2017** **Resolution authorizing the cancellation of premiums.**
- *422-2017** **Resolution authorizing the use of Rapid Pay Card as an alternative to traditional direct deposit.**
- *423-2017** Resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to negotiate and enter into a pilot program agreement with the East Orange Water Commission for the bulk sale and purchase of water for a period of six (6) months. **(Removed for separate vote)**
- *424-2017** Resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a new agreement with Suez Water Environmental Services, Inc., to provide continuing operation and maintenance of the water supply, transmission and distribution system, wastewater collection system, storm water system, and customer service, billing and collection system in an amount not to exceed \$1,649,000.000 annually. **(Removed for separate vote)**
- *425-2017** **A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on December 19, 2017 dated December 15, 2017 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$4,291,475.95).**
- *426-2017** **A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to submit certain project applications received from the Orange Community for inclusion within the County of Essex Community Development Block Grant application for the year 2018.**

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

Resolutions to be voted on separately.

The Clerk read the resolution by title.

414-2017 A resolution for the transfer of appropriation for the Calendar Year 2017.

Motion to approve Resolution 414-2017 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read Resolution 415-2017 by Title. She read the amendments to the resolution.

415-2017 Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 for overtime costs incurred by the Police Department and authorizing the issuance of emergency notes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51

Motion to adopt amended Resolution 415-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read the resolution by title. The Clerk read the amendment.

416-2017 Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 for legal cost associated with Special Council for labor matters and authorizing the issuance of emergency notes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51.

Motion to adopt amended Resolution 416-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: Jackson

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read the resolution by title. The Clerk read the amendment.

417-2017 Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 for payment of water purchases in the Water/Sewer Utility Fund and authorizing the issuance of emergency notes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51.

Motion to adopt amended Resolution 417-2017 by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read the resolution by title.

423-2017 Resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to negotiate and enter into a pilot program agreement with the East Orange Water Commission for the bulk sale and purchase of water for a period of six (6) months.

Motion to adopt amended Resolution 423-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

On the Motion: Councilman Johnson, Jr. asked about the saving for doing this. The Business Administrator stated that for the first 5 months of 2016 this city paid New Jersey American Water \$6,150.00 per million gallons. In June of 2017 the city paid \$9,033.00 per gallon due to a price increase. The new contract is for \$2,875.00 per million gallons. Council President Coley stated that he review the contract and saw that there were some water quality reports and he wanted to know if the Council will be getting those reports. The Business Administrator said those reports are public documents. The Business Administrator and the Council President discussed the points of delivery meters. Councilman Johnson, Jr. asked the Business Administrator when all the development within the city is completed what will be the impact be the water wells. The Business Administrator said that if all the wells are repaired and maintained there is ample water.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read the amended title.

424-2017 Resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a new agreement with Suez Water Environmental Services, Inc., to provide continuing operation and maintenance of the water supply, transmission and distribution system, wastewater collection system, storm water system, and customer service, billing and collection system in an amount not to exceed \$1,649,000.000 annually.

Motion to adopt amended Resolution 424-2017 by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.**NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS****The Clerk read each resolution by title into the record.**

427-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 375-2017 AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING A CONTRACT WITH LERCH & HIGGINS, LLP, TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS BUDGET CONSULTANTS TO THE ORANGE MUNICIPAL CONUNCIL AND THE ADMINISTRATION TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF SERVICES AND INCREASE THE AMOUNT AUTORIZIED BY \$50,000.00 TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000.00 FOR 2017.

428-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING THE AWARDDING OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO HORIZON HEALTHCARE SERVICES INC. D/B/A HORIZON BLUE CROSS BLUE SHEILD OF NEW JERSEY, 3 THREE PENN PLAZA EAST, NEWARK, NJ 07105 FOR AN EMPLOYEE ASSITANCE PROGRAM (EAP) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.

429-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A VOLUNTARY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM WITH THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, OFFICE OF PURCHASING FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES.

430-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL UNCOLLECTED AND/OR FORGIVEN OFF DUTY ESCROW TRUST FUND NEGATIVE BALANCES IN THE AMOUNT OF <\$23,627.25>.

431-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WITH PULSE MEDICAL TRANSPORATION FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$195,000.00.

Motion for walk-ons to be added to the agenda by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk asked if anyone would like to speak on these resolutions.

Mr. Jeffery Feld commented on Resolution 427-2017 and 431-2017. The Business Administrator answered his questions on Resolution 427-2017. As to Resolution 431-2017 he found errors in the name of the company. The Business Administrator explained the issue.

Motion to close citizen comments by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilman Jackson.

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Councilwoman Williams had the Business Administrator explain the agreement associated with Resolution 428-2017.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title again.

427-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 375-2017 AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING A CONTRACT WITH LERCH & HIGGINS, LLP, TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS BUDGET CONSULTANTS TO THE ORANGE MUNICIPAL CONUNCIL AND THE ADMINISTRATION TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF SERVICES AND INCREASE THE AMOUNT AUTORIZIED BY \$50,000.00 TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000.00 FOR 2017.

Motion to adopt Resolution 427-2017(WO) by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title again.

428-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING THE AWARDING OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO HORIZON HEALTHCARE SERVICES INC. D/B/A HORIZON BLUE CROSS BLUE SHEILD OF NEW JERSEY, 3 THREE PENN PLAZA EAST, NEWARK, NJ 07105 FOR AN EMPLOYEE ASSITANCE PROGRAM (EAP) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.

Motion to adopt Resolution 428-2017(WO) by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title again.

429-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A VOLUNTARY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM WITH THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, OFFICE OF PURCHASING FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES.

Motion to adopt Resolution 429-2017(WO) by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

On the Motion: Councilman Jackson asked what goods and services are they providing? The Business Administrator stated that they would mainly be providing the salt. They also provide other items that the city may need.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,
Nays: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title again.

430-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL UNCOLLECTED AND/OR FORGIVEN OFF DUTY ESCROW TRUST FUND NEGATIVE BALANCES IN THE AMOUNT OF <\$23,627.25>.

Motion to adopt Resolution 430-2017(WO) by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,
Nays: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title again.

431-2017(WO) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WITH PULSE MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$195,000.00.

Motion to adopt Resolution 431-2017(WO) by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

On the Motion: The Business Administrator was asked about the services. The Business Administrator had the President of Pulse Medical Transportation come to the podium and he answered questions about the services that the city will receive. He also stated that there will be monthly reports on their timing and locations of transport given to the city

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,
Nays: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Business Administrator made a statement regarding the statement made by the President of Local 210 earlier that evening, disputing comments by the President regarding the arbitration and facts that were left out.

OTHER PENDING BUSINESS It was determined that the Council meeting will be held January 9th and January 23rd .

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.
By consensus the regular meeting adjourned at 11:34 P.M.

Approved:

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Kerry Coley
Council President