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, APRIL 3, 2018, FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

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

# ROLL CALL

Hon. Tency A. Eason (North-Ward)

Hon. Christopher Jackson (At-Large)

Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr. (West-Ward)

Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson (South-Ward)

Hon. Donna K. Williams (At-Large)

Hon. Adrienne Wooten (At-Large)

Hon. Kerry J. Coley (East -Ward)

**Council President** 

#### ALSO PRESENT

Madeline Smith, Deputy City Clerk
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Eric S. Pennington, City Attorney
Deputy Chief Almendinger, representing the Fire Director
Adrian Mapp, Finance Director
Marty Mayes, Planning/Public Work Director
Todd Warren, Police Director
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer (arrived @ 7:38)
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Margarette Homere, Senior Clerk, Clerk's Office

Lisette Sanchez, Records Support Technician

The Deputy 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

**January 23, 2018 Conference Minutes** 

Motion to adopt as amended the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from January 23, 2018 by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilman Jackson.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Navs: None.

Abstain: Williams. Absent: None.

#### **Motion Carries.**

February 20, 2018 Conference & Regular Council Meeting Minutes. (Hon. Wooten cannot vote, because she was not present.)

Motion to adopt the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from February 20, 2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

#### **Motion Carries.**

March 6, 2018 Conference & Regular Council Meeting Minutes. (Hon. Summers-Johnson & Wooten cannot vote, because they were not present.)

Motion to adopt the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from March 6, 2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

# **Motion Carries.**

#### **REPORTS:**

#### DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION

City Clerk's Office – Month of March 2018 – Total \$388.01

Department of Planning & Economic Development – Month of March 2018 Total \$66,531.00

Historic Preservation Commission – Month of March 2018 – Total \$70.00

#### **CONSTABLE REPORTS - None**

**OPRA REPORTS** – Requested items 89, items completed 57, 31 pending, 56 pending as of March 29, 2018

# **COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Finance:** 

Councilwoman Williams reported on the attendees at the Finance Committee meeting. She reported that the budget consultant provided a report on Resolution 108-2018. Upon passage of the resolution it should carry the temporary budget to mid-June 2018. There was also a payroll report for Calendar year 2016 and 2017 by the budget consultant. Street improvement reports to be given by the Business

Administrator at the next Council meeting. For the 2020 Census the Business Administrator stated he was going to put together a compliance committee. The Finance Committee suggested that Resolution 89-2018 should be withdrawn. Resolution 98-2018 there is a new legal matter. 99 and 101-2018 there are recommendations which were handed out. The Business Administrator provided information on the TIPS purchasing cooperative and how it would benefit the city. He also explained the additional funds needed for Resolution 104-2018. Councilwoman Williams stated that the committee recommends passage of Resolution 105-2018. Resolution 106-2018 the committee does not recommend passage in its current form at this time. After the executive session it may be passed. 109-2018 was suggested that it be removed so it can be discussed in executive session. The Business Administrator reported that the ASF had been filed that day. The Annual Debt Statement was filed on March 15th and the budget is being prepared and the goal is to have the budget ready for the next Council meeting. The Business Administrator will meet with the City Clerk regarding the FDS forms going forward.

**Planning:** 

Councilwoman Eason stated that the board met and most of the applicants were rescheduled for the April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. She suggested that the Council pass the resolution on redevelopment. When asked about the Master Plan she commented that anything that would be done would be included in the Master Plan.

**A.**B.C. No report.

**Library:** Councilman Jackson reported that he had some e-mails with Dr. Sharp and she reported that she would be appearing here however the Councilman's e-mail had not been up and running. He hoped that when she does come she will bring the

reports that he had requested.

**Housing:** Councilwoman Wooten reported that on March 21<sup>st</sup> the Housing Authority

celebrated Women's History month.

DPW: Ms. Katelin Gordon gave a positive report on the last snow removal effort by DPW. She reported that the committee met on March 28<sup>th</sup> and they discussed vacant and abandoned properties. She spoke of electronic searches for vacant and abandoned

properties which would improve the handling of the properties. Ms. Gordon stated

that the committee would be reviewing the Master Plan draft.

Mr. Walker, the Essex County Liaison to Orange, provided an update on the Council's request at the last meeting. Scotland Road is being repaired. With regard to the street light lens being replaced, it is the job of the city to replace the lens. The tree limbs in Orange Park have been trimmed. Councilwoman Williams reported that there were more broken limbs and Mr. Walker took down that information. As far as determining which trees belong to the County he suggested that the Director of DPW meet with the County and mark the trees that belong to the city. Council President Coley asked for written agreements with regard to street lights and what the County is responsible for when there is a problem with them. Mr. Walker reported that the repairing of the basketball courts in Orange Park are scheduled for May. He also reported that the reopening of the parking lots near the basketball courts for the tournament this summer is on their agenda. Councilwoman Eason stated that she had spoken to the County and the city engineers are working on the details for a four way stop for a bad intersection. Councilwoman Williams commented that Essex and Central Ave street lighting shuts off after mid-night and it is really dark. He will see if the dimmers can be set back. The Liaison and Councilwoman Williams spoke about the paving of Park Avenue and Main Street.

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Councilman Johnson Jr. reported that the Housing Authority was having a meeting on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Police:

Director Warren reported on the arrest that had been made in the city. He reported on the PAL in the city and the MIT medical training. He thanked Councilwomen Wooten and Summers-Johnson for their help in starting the PAL for girls. The 13 new officers will be riding alone next week and the total officers in the department equals 123 employees. Councilwoman Williams and Director Warren discussed the Special Police ordinance. Councilwoman Williams and Business Administrator Hartwyk discussed the phone system. Councilman Jackson asked Director Warren about traffic management specifically on Main Street and exit 12 coming off Rt. 280 and traffic issues. Director Warren stated that there are check points and when cars make the illegal turn they are pulled over. The parking issues are being handled. Councilwoman Williams commented that the parking meters need to have the correct time on them and some signs do not have the correct times on them Councilwoman Eason commented that when patrol cars go down narrow streets they should put their flashers on especially when they go down the wrong way.

Fire:

Deputy Chief Almendinger reported on the smoke detector program in the city and reported that the Fire Department have certification classes for Fire Inspectors.

Council President directs Clerk to file reports.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS - None**

#### CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS

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. Brandon Matthews commented on the financial statements and debt statement that was not on the agenda. He asked the council about removing personnel who do not perform their jobs. He spoke about his concern regarding the late budget. He commented on the School Board election and some misdeeds that were taking place. He spoke about information for a recent law suit and a possible conflict of interest. He spoke of his concerns regarding the WYCA and items that were not adopted correctly. Mr. Matthews asked about the 2017 budget report and why it had not been published for the residents along with other audits and reports that he felt should be made available to the residents. He asked when the Master Plan would be available.

• Mr. Jeffery Feld he stated that the Annual Financial Statement was delivered today and he wanted to know when it would be available for the residents. He spoke about the 3<sup>rd</sup> confirming order and that it had been changed; how did that occur and why the changes so late. He spoke about the water payments and how are they getting paid.

- Mr. Michael Scott spoke about his concern with Ordinance 12-2018 and that residents would be excluded from some committees.
- Ms. Katlyn Gordon commented that Ordinance 17-2018 does not approve of the ordinance. Residents should be on the Finance Committee. She asked what had changed in the Ordinance 12-2018 since it was last introduced. She asked if there was a repair person employed by the city for emergency repairs on city vehicles in the city. She commented on resolution 106-2018 saying that she feels that certain cases that the residents should know about would be settled without their knowledge if the City Attorney was allowed to settle them.
- Ms. Tarver spoke about Citizen Sponsored Ward Council Debates. She said that some citizens would like to have independent citizen debates for candidates that are running for City Council. She provided literature and stated that the debates will start the following Sunday and all Sundays in April. It would be broadcasted on 95.1 F.M.
- Mr. Rossi he said he had a website bellaorange.com he said that he set the website up to chronical illegal activities within the city. He spoke about corruption by the administration that he had sent to the Business Administrator and asked who runs the city website.
- Mr. Alford he commented on the November Council meeting which the city auditor spoke and the \$600,000, that was not booked, the \$50,000.00 paid to vendors without their business certifications and other issues that the auditor spoke of. He spoke about the Finance Committee and that according to the ordinance they should have four residents on that committee.
- Mr. Henry spoke about the poor looking condition of the YWCA property. He spoke about what the Mayor had said the YWCA would be for the residents and that it now looks like it is shut down. He stated that he would like to join the public Works Committee.

Motion to Close Citizen Comments by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

The Business Administrator commented that the redevelopment of the YWCA will be discussed with the Council perhaps in May or June.

Director Mapp Could not answer questions from Mr. Alford because he did not have the factual information.

Council President Coley provided information on the Finance Committee selections.

The Business Administrator addressed the question on who runs the city website by stating the website is run by the Communication Officer. The Business Administrator stated that he would responding to Mr. Rossi's memo as soon as all the documents were gathered. The Business Administrator spoke about the repair of vehicles that are beyond the scope of the city technicians and that cost.

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Council President Coley stated that Resolution 106-2018 was to be pulled and discussed in Executive Session. The Budget will be presented at the second meeting in April or the first meeting in May. The Business Administrator reported that if they stick to the plan the water and sewer utility should be self-liquidating by the end of 2018. The Business Administrator provided information on other issues that were asked during the meeting.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson spoke about the single parent event that she had hosted. She commented on Martin Luther King Day and how he had spoken at a church in Orange. She reported that on April 14<sup>th</sup> is the date for Autism Day to be held at Heyward School. She will continue to collect Bed in a Bag for the college students into May. She spoke about having a way to see when events are scheduled for the same day in the city to avoid multiple events on the same day.

Councilwoman Wooten stated that there would be a 4<sup>th</sup> grade Essay Contest on why Branch Brook Park is important. The deadline is April 11<sup>th</sup> for students that would like to enter the contest. She reported that there would be a celebration in Newark for Dr. King's Day. She stated that the single parents event was a wonderful success. She provided other information on events to come. She commented on how great Orange was to live in and how proud she was to live in America

Councilwoman Williams thanked the citizen for their thoughts on the Finance Committee. She reported that on April 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Rosa Parks is doing the play You're a good Man Charlie Brown. She reported on the turnout for the proposed WA-WA store and there will be another meeting April 16<sup>th</sup> or the 30<sup>th</sup>, the developer will let us know.

She spoke about rules and regulations regarding elections. Attorney Pennington also spoke about electioneering on public property. She spoke about an event she attended at the Irvington Library and spoke about the speaker Dr. Stephanie Wilson. Councilwoman Williams provided information on other upcoming events.

Councilman Johnson, Jr commented that he had spoken to a black studies professor from the City University about funding for black studies in the school districts. Councilwoman Williams stated that there is some funding and online curriculum for teachers.

Councilman Jackson commented that there was an opening in the Citizens budget advisory committee and he asked residents that were interested to get in touch with him.

With regard to current events he stated that the calendar on the website should be the most up to date. He thanked all the organizers and candidates that were participating in the election.

Councilwoman Eason spoke about the family of Dr. King and how they are still healing. She spoke about the Orange history being lost and one reason is that it is not taught in the schools. There is no Black History in the high schools, it should be a matter of having it added to the curriculum. She commented on Mr. Felds letters to the city and that some of the information is inaccurate and she made statements on some of the inaccurate information.

Council President Coley spoke about poor looking properties and asked that the Business Administrator and City Attorney take over the matter to have the owner respond.

Councilwoman Eason asked for a report on salaries so they can reconcile each month. Mr. Mapp stated that the finance department provided a report of the expended amount by each department for salaries versus what was budgeted.

## Motion to extend the meeting past 10:30 by Williams, seconded by Johnson, Jr.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

## **Motion Carries.**

## ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

4-2018 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic," Section 200-42, Schedule XI, Loading Zone (215 Watchung Avenue) POSTPONED FROM 02/20/18, 03/06/18 and 3/20/2018 MEETINGS

Councilwoman Eason explained that the owner has a parking lot for big truck deliveries but the residents park to close the driveway so the trucks cannot move into the lot.

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 4-2018.

Seeing no one, the Chair declared the time closed.

Motion to close the public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 4-2018 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten. (Councilwoman Williams had left the room)

## **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

## **Motion Carries.**

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 12-2018 by Title.

12-2018 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 4, entitled "City Council", to revise the membership on the Finance Committee (Sponsored by Councilwoman Donna K. Williams)

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 12-2018.

Mr. Feld did not approve of the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Ms. Gordon did not approve of the ordinance providing her reasons why.

Mr. Hathaway commented that he did not approve of the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Mr. Alford did not approve of the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Mr. Scott did not approve of the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Mr. Henry did not approve of the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson commented that she is speaking as a citizen and commented that she does not support the ordinance providing her reasons why.

Seeing no one else, the Chair declared the time closed.

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

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 12-2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

On the Motion: Councilwoman Wooten commented that the people have commented that they do not support the ordinance and the Council works for those people. Councilwoman Williams

thanked the citizens for their comments and commented that the Council meeting packet is reviewed by the Finance Committee on the Mondays before Council meetings and at that meeting many times the public is invited to attend; however, issues with contracts at times cannot be discussed in public. The Councilwoman provided examples for the exclusions from these meetings. She provided information on what the Finance Committee does to help move things forward.

Councilwoman Eason commented that committees are supposed to have residents on them. She commented that she was told that the Finance Committee is not supposed to make recommendations on resolutions and ordinances. Councilwoman Eason does not support the ordinance.

Councilman Johnson, Jr. commented that there are no secret things going on during the Finance Committee meetings only Council Members doing their due diligence. He remarked that the committee does not do anything to sway the other Council Members on resolutions or ordinances by the report that is given by Councilwoman Williams during the Council's Regular meetings. The privacy factor regarding contracts is considered when the Business Administrator and the contractor are involved.

Councilwoman Wooten commented that when she was appointed to the Finance Committee and she had written a recommendation for a resident to join the committee which was sent to all Council Members and the Clerk's office it was ignored. She spoke about the City and State law regarding privacy issues during the committee meetings and how it does not apply.

City Attorney Pennington and Councilwoman Williams discussed the Sunshine Law. Councilwoman Williams will have the Administrative Research Officer review when the Sun Shine Law applies to Council Members. She would like research done on other city ordinances and how they are written up relating to Committee meetings. If you have a committee meeting and the public is there with a minority of the Council; would an executive session be appropriate.

Councilman Jackson commented that the residents do not trust the Finance Committee, the Council or the Administration will do the right thing. He could understand their concerns because of the volume of litigation and unanswered questions about where money had gone. He felt that there should be a medium reached. He commented that perhaps if residents took oaths regarding privacy may help. He also commented that he appreciated the reports that are coming from the Finance Committee but he feels that when it comes to the city spending their money there is more scrutiny. In order to get the resident's trust there must be a medium position where citizens can participate and held accountable for the confidential matters.

Councilman Johnson commented that it was the most debated ordinance that they had as a Council. He supported Councilman Jackson's ideas.

Councilwoman Williams commented that in 2016 she did ask Council Members to provide names and she would see if she could get the Council tape. She also stated that she will make a motion to table until the Research Officer provides the answers to her questions.

# Councilwoman Williams made a Motion to table Ordinance 12-2018 and then made a motion to rescinded the motion.

Council President Coley spoke about the hours the Finance Committee dedicates and then asked if the Business Administrator felt that the work was beneficial to the Governing Body. The Business Administrator felt that the work the Finance Committee and Department of Public Works do is beneficial to the Governing Body in their decision making.

Councilman Johnson spoke about residents joining the Finance Committee after having been sworn in. It was stated by Councilwoman Williams that the Research Officer should also research sworn statements for the public that want to join the Finance Committee.

Councilwoman Wooten asked what determines the work that the City Attorney's Office would do regarding research and the Legislative Research Officer. What determines who gets the research.

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City Attorney Pennington stated that the Legislative Research Officer does not have to be an attorney in that case they cannot give legal advice. The Law office can give legal advice to the Administration and to the Council.

Councilwoman Eason stated that she felt that the real question was does the Council want to eliminate the residents. She does not want to do that.

Motion to table Ordinance 12-2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

## **Roll Call:**

Ayes, Johnson, Jr., Williams, Coley,

Nays: Eason, Jackson, Summers-Johnson, Wooten

Abstain: None. Absent: None.

# **Motion Fails**

Motion of Ordinance 12-2018 for final adoption.

#### **Roll Call:**

Ayes, Williams

Nays: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Wooten, Coley

Abstain: None. Absent: None.

# **Motion Fails**

Councilwoman Williams still wanted the Research Officer to do the research on her questions. She also commented that resident members should be appointed sooner rather than later.

### ORDINANCES INTRODUCTION/ FIRST READING

**16-2018** An ordinance to amend and supplement the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 26, Article 1, to authorize the establishment of a minimum number of temporary special police officers. (Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams) (**Withdrawn till budget**))

17-2018 An ordinance to amend and supplement the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 4, Article XIV, to prohibit resident employees from serving on municipal boards. (Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams)

Motion that Ordinance 17-2018 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held May 1, 2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Council man Jackson.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

### **Motion Carries.**

18-2018 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. (39 Hampton Terrace)

Motion that Ordinance 18-2018 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held May 1, 2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

## **Motion Carries.**

## The Deputy 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.

# The Deputy Clerk reported that Resolution 89-2018 was withdrawn.

89-2018 A resolution appointing Deborah Upchurch as a member of the Citizen's Budget and Advisory Committee for calendar year 2018 municipal budget process. (Appointed by Council President Kerry J. Coley) (POSTPONED FROM 3/20/2018 meeting)

### RESOLUTION NUMBERS \*93-2018 through\*109-2018

- \*93-2018 A resolution to honor all library staff and the valuable contributions that they make in the City of Orange Township on National Library Workers Day April 10, 2018. (Sponsored by Council Member Adrienne Wooten).
- \*94-2018 A resolution celebrating the life of Wilberdean Hill. (Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams)
- \*95-2018 A resolution recognizing June as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. (Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams)
- \*96-2018 A resolution appointing Carol Perkins as a Member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2018 Municipal Budget Process. (Sponsored by Council Member Harold J. Johnson, Jr.)
- \*97-2018 A resolution appointing Mary M. Meade as a Member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2018 Municipal Budget Process. (Sponsored by Council Member Harold J. Johnson, Jr.)
- \*98-2018 A resolution authorizing the services of David C. Stanziale, Esq., to represent City of Orange Township and Orange Police Department in the matter "Staci Baldwin v. the City of Orange Township, et al" in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00
- \*99-2018 A resolution authorizing the Planning Board to conduct an investigation to determine if parcels designated as Block 2902, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20; Block 2802, Lot 1; Block 2102, Lot 34; Block 2603, Lot 4, 5, 6, 7, 14, 15; Block 2602, Lot 16; Block 2201, Lots 1, 24, 25; within the City of Orange

Township should be found to be an area in need of redevelopment and/or rehabilitation.

- \*100-2018 A resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract to Pennoni Associates, Inc., 24 Commerce Street, Suite 300, Newark, New Jersey 07102 for professional engineering, surveying, design and construction administration services for the 2018 NJDOT roadway improvements to McChesney Street, Stetson Street, Burnside Street and Lakeside Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$112,900.00.
- \*101-2018 A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a voluntary cooperative pricing system with The International Interlocal Purchasing Systems (TIPS) for the purchase of goods and services.
- \*102-2018 A resolution amending Resolution 195-2017 authorizing and requesting the Planning Board to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether Block 5202 satisfy the criteria for designation as an area in need of redevelopment and/or rehabilitation to include an additional parcel Block 4902, Lot 17 in the preliminary investigation.
- \*103-2018 A resolution authorizing the awarding of a contract for the NJDOT '17 roadway improvements to Berwick Street (between Lincoln Avenue and Berkeley Avenue) to A&J Contractors Group, Inc., 105 Federal Road, Monroe Township, New Jersey 08831 in an amount not to exceed \$210,048.15.
- \*104-2018 A resolution authorizing additional funds for Select Auto & Truck Repair Inc., 52 Washington Street, West Orange, New Jersey 07052 for emergency vehicle maintenance and repairs for all city owned vehicles and equipment in the amount not to exceed \$16,437.38.
- \*105-2018 A resolution to accept grant award from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities (ROID) Grant.
- \*106-2018 A resolution to grant City Attorney for the City of Orange Township limited authority to enter into settlement agreements up to \$50,000.00. (Withdrawn)
- \*107-2018 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on April 3, 2018 dated March 29, 2018 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$10,271,032.12).
- \*108- 2018 A resolution for Emergency Temporary Appropriations to the Calendar Year 2018 budget. (Removed for a separate vote)
- \*109-2018 A resolution of the City of Orange Township authorizing the payment of all confirming orders made through March 31, 2018 not covered from Resolution 367-2017 in addition to requisitions and purchase orders that are result of operating under a temporary budget and continuing to put all department directors and staff making future confirming orders on notice that they may be personally liable for such orders and will

be subject to discipline. (The Business Administrator removed the items that needed further review from the resolution.)

Motion to adopt the consent agenda by Councilwoman Williams, seconded Councilman Johnson, Jr.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

### **Motion Carries.**

## The Deputy Clerk read the resolution by title.

108-2018 A resolution for Emergency Temporary Appropriations to the Calendar Year 2018 budget.

# Motion to approve Resolution 108-2018 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Wooten.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

#### **Motion Carries.**

## The Deputy Clerk read the resolution by title.

109-2018 A resolution of the City of Orange Township authorizing the payment of all confirming orders made through March 31, 2018 not covered from Resolution 367-2017 in addition to requisitions and purchase orders that are result of operating under a temporary budget and continuing to put all department directors and staff making future confirming orders on notice that they may be personally liable for such orders and will be subject to discipline. (The Business Administrator removed the items that needed further review from the resolution.)

Motion to approve Resolution 109-2018 as amended by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

## **Motion Carries.**

### NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS

The Council President directed the Clerk's Office to take a poll to determine a date for the Executive Session. After some discussion the Council decided on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April at 6:30. The Clerk's Office will poll the Council the next day to confirm. Councilwoman Williams wanted the legal notice to include the wording "Action may be taken".

# **OTHER PENDING BUSINESS** - None.

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

By consensus the regular meeting adjourned at 11:35 P.M.

Approved:

Madeline F. Smith
Deputy City Clerk

Kerry Coley
Council President