MINUTES CITY COUNCIL CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY

THIS WAS A CONFERENCE 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, JUNE 18, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.

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
Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large
Council-president Kerry Coley, East Ward

Also Present:

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Gracia R. Montilus, Acting City Attorney (Arrived @ 7:20)
Deputy Chief Digger, representing Fire Director
Captain Vitiello, representing Police Director
Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector (Arrived @ 7:10)
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Lisette Sanchez, Records Support Technician

Absent:

The City Clerk asked all to stand for a Moment of Silence.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall sign one (1) book. Each person signing the book will be allowed to speak for a maximum of five (5) minutes.

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 12, 2018 posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Orange Housing Authority by Dr. Walter D. McNeil, Jr.

Mr. Walter D. McNeil, Jr., Executive Director; Commissioners Earnest Williams and Dr. Joseph Juliano, and Board Member Betty McLeod of the Orange Housing Authority were all present.

Mr. Earnest Williams, Chairman gave the Council a background of his years in Orange, NJ.

Mr. Walter D. McNeil, Jr. gave the Council a brief history and details about the accomplishments of the Orange Housing Authority. In addition, he advised the Council that housing is in demand in the City of Orange. He presented to the Council the 2018 Annual Report for the Housing Authority of the City of Orange.

Council Member Williams asked Mr. McNeil questions regarding the fair market of bedrooms in Orange.

Council President requested from the Executive Director the 1938, 1952 and 1970 minutes he referenced from the Housing Authority.

Mr. McNeil advised the Council that there are some deadlines approaching for which the Housing Authority must apply for funds.

Mr. McNeil answered question from the Council Members and their suggestions.

The Clerk made the following statement:

The resolutions and ordinances to be presented at tonight's meeting are listed on the attached Regular Meeting Agenda. If any Council Member wishes to discuss any resolution or ordinance, it may be discussed at this time.

The Clerk reported that Resolution 216-2019 had been amended and the bill list had been amended.

Councilwoman Eason asked the BA to explain the amendment on 216-2019. The dollar amount on the tax levy for 2019 was off by 129 billion. Which affected the tax calculations for the estimated tax rate.

Council President Coley regarding Ordinance 31-2019 asked the Governing Body to support the ordinance providing his reasons why. They discuss changes that needed to be made. Council Member Eason suggested the ordinance be amended to 7:00 p.m. City Clerk advised that paragraph D should be amended to say permits are being issued by the Department of Planning. Council Member Williams wants to come back before the Council to discuss the transportation vehicles.

The Clerk reported that two items will be postponed till the next meeting, Ordinance 26-2019 and Resolution 182-2019.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilwoman Wooten, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 7:50 P.M.

Approved:

Joyce L. Lanier

City Clerk

Tency A. Eason Council President