

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP
NEW JERSEY

THIS IS A RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023 AT 7:04 P.M.

Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmember Kerry J. Coley, East Ward
Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert, West Ward
Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large
Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross, At-Large
Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, South Ward *(Arrived at 7:06pm)*
Councilmember Adrienne K. Wooten, At-Large *(Arrived at 7:06pm)*
Council President Tency A. Eason, North Ward

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Laquana Best, Planning Director
Derrick Brown, Fire Chief
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer
Vincent DeFilippo, Health Officer
Marty Mayes, Public Works Director
Aaron Mizrahi, Esq., Deputy City Attorney
Gracia R. Montilus, Esq., City Attorney
Tamara Robinson, Deputy City Clerk
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Vincent Vitiello, Police Chief
Margarette Homere, City Clerk's Office
Trisha Scipio, City Clerk's Office

Absent: Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector
Chris Murray, Tax Assessor
Wendy M. Sykes, Director of Community Services
Gabrielle Sims-Shelton, City Clerk's Office

The City Clerk announced that the requirements 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, published in the Star Ledger on July 13, 2022, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and on the Council's website (www.orangetwpnjcc.org), the City's website (www.orangenj.gov) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

The City Clerk announced this is a Reorganization Meeting Per Administrative Code, Chapter 4, Article 2 - City Council Annual Election of Officers.

APPOINTMENT OF THE TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON

A motion to appoint Councilmember Kerry J. Coley as Temporary Municipal Council Chairperson was made by Councilmember Tency A. Eason and seconded by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross.

Roll Call:

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert, Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

NOMINATIONS OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A motion to nominate Councilmember Tency A. Eason for Council President was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley.

A motion to close nominations was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross.

All Councilmembers rescinded their votes.

Councilmember Clifford R. Ross rescinded his motion.

A motion to close nominations was made by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley and seconded by Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert.

Motion Adopted

Roll Call for Council President Nominees

262-2023 A resolution electing Council Member Tency A. Eason as Council President for the Orange Municipal Council.

A motion to adopt Resolution 262-2023 was made by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley and seconded by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross.

Roll Call:

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert, Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten, and Hon. Tency A. Eason.

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

NOMINATIONS OF COUNCIL-VICE PRESIDENT

A motion to nominate Councilmember Clifford R. Ross as Council Vice President was made by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley and seconded by Council President Tency A. Eason.

A motion to nominate Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert as Council Vice President was made by Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert there was no second.

Motion Failed.

A motion to close nominations was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley.

Motion Adopted

Roll Call for Council Vice President Nominees

263-2023 A resolution electing Council Member Clifford R. Ross as Council Vice President for the Orange Municipal Council.

A motion to adopt Resolution 263-2023 was made by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley and seconded by Council President Tency A. Eason.

Roll Call:

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert, Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten, and Hon. Tency A. Eason

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

NEW BUSINESS

264-2023 A resolution to adopt the Annual City Council Meeting Schedule.

A motion to adopt Resolution 264-2023 was made by Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley.

Motion Adopted

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley and seconded by Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The next City Council Conference and Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 virtually at 7:00 p.m.

Approved: August 2, 2023


Joyce L. Larner
City Clerk


Tency A. Eason
Council President