

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP
NEW JERSEY

THIS IS A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024, AT 7:02PM.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmember Kerry J. Coley, East Ward (*Arrived at 7:10pm*)
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 7:03pm*)
Council President Tency A. Eason, North Ward

Also Present: Joyce Lanier, City Clerk
Derrick Brown, Fire Chief
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer
Marty Mayes, Public Works Director
Aaron Mizrahi, Esq., Deputy City Attorney
Chris Mobley, Deputy Planning Director (*Arrived at 7:10pm*)
Gracia R. Montilus, Esq., City Attorney
Chris Murray, Tax Assessor
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Avram D. White, Esq. Deputy City Attorney
Vincent Vitiello, Police Chief
Tamara Robinson, Deputy City Clerk
Margarette Homere, City Clerk's Office
Trisha Scipio, City Clerk's Office

Absent: Councilmember Adrienne K. Wooten, At-Large
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Laquana Best, Planning Director
Vincent DeFilippo, Health Officer
Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector
Wendy M. Sykes, Director of Community Services
Gabrielle Sims-Shelton, City Clerk's Office

The Deputy City Clerk announced a Moment of Silence. The moment is dedicated to fallen Officer Kenneth E. McDougal "Magic", Director of Community Services Wendy M. Sykes in the passing of her father, and any resident who has suffered a loss this season.

The Deputy City Clerk announced a "SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall email their statements or questions to citizencomments@orangenj.gov no later than 7:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled public meeting. The City Council reserves the right to respond or not respond during the meeting to any citizen's submission."

The Deputy City Clerk announced 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 Star Ledger, published in the Record Transcript on July 13, 2023, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall, the Council's Website (www.orangetwpnjcc.org), the City's Website (www.orangenj.gov) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

COVID Update

Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross requested the Acting County Liaison be present at the next meeting on January 16, 2024.

Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert stated Roger Hinton was unavailable to attend tonight’s meeting for Matters of Discussion.

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.

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

24-2021 An ordinance to amend the City Code of the City of the Orange Township Chapter 4 entitled "Administration of Government", Article II entitled "City Council"; Section 15 entitled "City Clerk". (Postponed since the June 1, 2021 Council Meeting)

This Ordinance will remain postponed.

77-2023 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. (61 William Street)

Councilmember Kerry J. Coley stated this should read across from 61 William Street.

Ordinances 78-2023 through 86-2023 will be removed from the agenda to allow the Planning Board and Finance Department to review. Council will make a motion to amend the agenda to remove them. They will be added to the February 6, 2024 Council Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS NO *1-2024 THROUGH *22-2024

***15-2024 A resolution authorizing Change Order No. 2 and Change Order No. 3 to modify the contract for the project known as the Military Park Rehabilitation to S. Batata Construction, Inc.; 238 Ernston Road, Suite 1R, Parlin, New Jersey 08859 in the amount not to exceed \$49,850.00.**

This is appropriated from a grant. There are no funds from the City’s Budget allotted to this project. Councilmember Clifford R. Ross inquired about the number of change orders. Director Marty Mayes stated there has been items that needed changing but they are still under budget.

***16-2024 A resolution declaring an emergency and ratifying a contract between the City of Orange Township and W.E. Timmerman Co., Inc., P.O. Box 71, 3554 Route 22 West, Whitehouse, New Jersey 08888 for emergency repairs to the Elgin Street Sweepers in the amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. AMENDED**

The title has been amended to match a Walk-On Resolution. This should be pulled and discussed at that time.

NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

23-2024 (WO) A resolution of the City of Orange Township authorizing an emergency temporary appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 appropriating \$60,000 for the emergency repairs to the Elgin street sweepers.

This Resolution is attached to Resolution 16-2024.

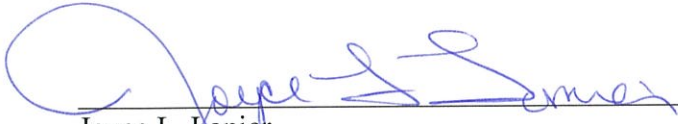
CONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Approved: January 16, 2024



Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk



Tency A. Eason
Council President