

March 8, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers, located at 500 London Avenue with Mayor Lisa Jampetti present. Council Pro Temp Stefania Kuehner opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Donna Heist, Carol Kienzle, Angelo Lello, Clifford Mays, Jr., Pat Moran, Robert Ross and Mason Wright . (Not present Edward Dennis)

Council President Ed Dennis called the meeting to order and made the following announcement:

1. In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Egg Harbor City Common Council was provided in the following manner:

- a. Advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Egg Harbor City Hall Bulletin Board.
- b. Advance written notice of this meeting was sent to the Hammonton Gazette, the News, the Press and the Current

2. I direct the City Clerk to enter into these minutes this public announcement.

Council President Dennis stated the meeting is being videotaped to air on Channel 97 and the City Website.

Upon motion of Mr. Lello, seconded by Mr. Wright and carried, the Council Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2018 were approved.

Committee Reports & Comment:

Mayor Jampetti stated there will be a South Jersey Youth & Family Drug Awareness Summit on April 28, 2018 from 10am-3pm at the Wildwood Convention Center.

Councilman Moran thanked EHC resident Tom Ade for the snow removal work he did in the last storm at no cost to the city.

Councilman Robert Ross spoke about food trucks being allowed in the City. Councilman Ross stated he was not for it and he visited the local businesses and they are also not in support of allowing food trucks in EHC. Councilman Ross stated he is in support of a Food Truck Festival. Councilman Ross asked for a straw vote from the Governing Body regarding pursuing allowing food trucks in EHC. (Heist-yes, Kienzle-yes, Kuehner-yes, Lello-no, Mays-no, Moran-yes, Ross-no, Wright-no, Mayor Jampetti-no)

Council Pro Temp Stefania Kuehner read the Tax & Utility Reports, a copy of the reports is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

EHC Police Department: Lieutenant Hutton gave an update on the EHCPD.

CFO Report: CFO Jodi Kahn stated there is a Budget Workshop on March 13, 2018 at 7:00pm.

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mr. Ross and carried, approval was given to City Clerk Report: N/A

City Attorney Report: City Attorney Ben Brenner was in attendance for the James Carroll Law Firm and he had no report.

Engineer: EHC Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on projects in EHC and he also gave an update on the handicap parking request that was made at the January 25, 2018 Council Meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Heist and carried, Resolution #48-2018, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #48-2018
APPOINT MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COORDINATOR

Upon motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #49-2018, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved. (Heist-yes, Kienzle-yes, Kuehner-yes, Lello-yes, Mays-yes, Moran-yes, Ross-yes, Wright-yes)

RESOLUTION #49-2018
RENEW CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF A BASIC LIFE SUPPORT
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE "EMS"
RESPONSE AND TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #2-2018
AMENDING CHAPTER 22 ARTICLE II "PUBLIC NUISANCES" OF THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Mr. Ross made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #2-2018, the motion was seconded by Mr. Lello and carried. Council Pro Temp Stefania Kuehner asked if anyone from the public had any comment. The following members of the public spoke out in support of the ordinance.

- Bill Stuemfig, of Tuckahoe, Upper Twp., a retired boat captain and member of the Surfrider Foundation. Mr. Stuemfig stated this ordinance sends a good message about balloons, that you should be responsible with them.
- Carol Jones of Tuckerton agreed and stated balloons are litter. Mr. Jones stated when you release a balloon in the air they travel very far and last a long time. Ms. Jones stated sea creatures and birds are vulnerable. Ms. Jones stated we share the oceans with them, and they need our protection.
- Lee Campbell of Galloway Township stated he volunteers at the Marine Mammal Stranding Center. Ms. Campbell stated he has seen balloons that came from as far as Ohio and Pennsylvania, Ms. Campbell stated she has seen firsthand the damage that balloons can do. Ms. Jones stated it is a terrible way for these creatures to die.
- Steve Dejecki of Margate spoke about the adverse effects balloons have on the ocean.
- Megan Egerbee of Marmora stated there are other ways to mark occasions, such as releasing butterflies or paper lanterns.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Ross and carried, the Public Hearing was closed.

Councilman Ross stated balloons also cause AC Electric problems. Councilman Mays and Lello spoke out against the ordinance. Councilman Mays and Lello had concerns on how the ordinance would be enforced.

Upon motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Moran and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #2-2018, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted. And the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on March 14, 2018.(Heist-yes,Kienzle-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-no,Mays-no,Moran-yes,Ross-yes,Wright-yes).

Upon motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Wright and carried by a roll call vote, the Bill List attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Kuehner-yes,Kienzle-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Moran-yes,Ross-yes)(Mrs.Kuehner abstained from EHC Municipal Court and Mr. Moran abstained from bills from the EHC Municipal Court and Lynkris Hardware.)

Mayor Comments: Mayor Jiampetti thanked everyone who came out in support of the balloon ordinance.

Council Comments: Councilman Wright gave an update on the EHC Crusaders.

Public Comment: Steve Fedler of Galloway came before Mayor and Council. Mr. Fedler stated there was a cleanup at Gloucester Landing over the past weekend and 12000 lbs of plastic and trash was removed. Mr. Fedler stated Gloucester Landing was a great resource in our area. Reed Kramer of Chicago Avenue came before Mayor and Council. Mr. Kramer gave an update on the EHC Neighborhood Watch and stated the next meeting will be on March 28th at 6:30pm at the Moravian Church. Mr. Kramer asked about repairing the gazebo in Lincoln Park. Mr. Kramer stated he would like to do the repairs. Councilman Mason Wright stated he would meet with Mr. Kramer to discuss further. Mr. Kramer stated he was pleased that the Balloon Ordinance was passed and thought it was a no brainer to pass it. Patti Colon of Mullica Twp. came before Mayor and Council. Ms. Colon expressed displeasure at the way her recent OPRA request was handled. Robin Sefton of Philadelphia Avenue, EHC thanked everyone for the Clean Up on Clarks Landing.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Lello and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Meg Steeb/City Clerk, RMC