

June 27, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers, located at 500 London Avenue. Council President Robert Ross opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Donna Heist, Carol Kienzle, Stefania Kuehner, Angelo Lello, Pat Moran, Joseph Ricci, Jr. and Robin Sefton. (not present were Mayor Lisa Jiampetti and Clifford Mays, Jr.)

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

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mr. Moran and carried, the Council Meeting minutes of June 13, 2019 were approved.

Committee Chair Reports:

Councilwoman Heist stated everyone has received a copy of the Ordinance Regulating Vacant and Abandoned Commercial Properties and Storefronts in Egg Harbor City for their review. Councilwoman Heist asked Council members to look it over and if they have any comments to let her know.

Police Department Report: Lt. Hutton gave an update on the EHCPD.

CFO Report: N/A Jodi Kahn on maternity leave.

City Clerk Report: City Clerk Meg Steeb stated she needed to add a liquor license to #11 on tonight's agenda. Ms. Steeb stated she needed to add Jodaz Beverage, LLC. Upon motion of Mrs. Sefton, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried, Resolution #121-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #121-2019

RENEW LIQUOR LICENSES FOR JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020

Ms. Steeb stated the Notice of Sale of Municipal Lands, Block 523, Lot 8.03 was advertised July 3, 2019 for a Public Auction at the July 18th Council meeting.

City Attorney Report: City Attorney James Carroll commented on the ordinance regulating vacant and abandoned commercial properties and storefronts in EHC. Mr. Carroll stated the ordinance is a combination of other towns. Mr. Carroll cautioned Council members about this ordinance being controversial. Mr. Carroll explained the ordinance on tonight's agenda for adoption and Mr. Carroll reminded everyone about the 2nd Annual Food Truck Festival in EHC on August 18, 2019.

Engineer Report: EHC Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on ongoing projects in the City. Mr. McGowan stated the City received a complaint from a resident at 630 Chicago Avenue. The resident was not happy with the recent work done on the 600

Block of Chicago and has submitted a bill for work she had to have done to correct the problem. Mr. McGowan stated the resident never notified anyone they were unhappy and did not give the City a chance to look into the problem. Mr. McGowan stated he would contact the contractor to see if they would cover the bill.

Mr., McGowan gave an update on the EHC Neighborhood Preservation Program Grant the City recently received. Mr. McGowan stated Mr. Sartorio has agreed to administer the grant for the City. Mr. McGowan stated he received a request from the property owner of 1109 Philadelphia Avenue to have a street vacated that runs through the property. Mr. McGowan stated if the City decides to fully vacate the terrace that a utility easement through that area should be established to preserve the City's rights to install and maintain utilities through the area. Mr. McGowan stated that would take some additional time to prep the easement and file with the County. Mr. McGowan stated alternatively, it may be possible to do a partial vacation of the terrace and give him approx. 2', so that the building would be on his property and the City could maintain a passable terrace width. There was discussion over what the cost would be to vacate the terrace in this area. Frank Maione, the owner of 1109 came before Council. Mr. Maione was asked if he would cover the cost for the street vacation and Mr. Maione stated he would cover the cost if it was reasonable. City Engineer Ryan McGowan stated the cost would primarily be for the City Attorney to write the vacation ordinance and to update the tax maps. Mr. McGowan stated the owner should provide the City with a current survey. Mr. Maione stated he would contact a surveyor. City Attorney Ryan McGowan gave an update on the solar projects. Mr. McGowan also spoke on the subdivision around the middle school. Mr. McGowan stated lots are going for from between \$20,000.00 to \$35,000.00. Councilman Ricci asked Mr. McGowan if there was anyway the fee that R & V is charging for the three NJDOT Grant Applications could be lowered. Mr. McGowan stated the fees have not been raised for many years but he would check with his boss.

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mr. Lello and carried, Resolution #122-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #122-2019
AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #3-CHARLES MARANDINO LLC
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES–
ATLANTIC AVENUE TRANSIT PATH EXTENSION

Upon motion of Mr. Lello, seconded by Mr. Ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #123-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kienzle-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #123-2019
INCREASE HOURLY WAGE OF EHC MUNICIPAL COURT PART TIME
EMPLOYEE – MARIELA MONDRAGON

Upon motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #124-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kienzle-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #124-2019

AUTHORIZE R & V TO SUBMIT STATE AID APPLICATION THROUGH NJDOT-
MUNICIPAL AID

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mrs. Sefton and carried, by a roll call, Resolution #125-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kienzle-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #125-2019

AUTHORIZING R & V TO SUBMIT STATE AID APPLICATION THROUGH
NJDOT – BIKEWAYS

Upon motion of Mr. Lello, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #126-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kienzle-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Moran-yes,Sefton-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #126-2019

AUTHORIZING R & V TO SUBMIT STATE AID APPLICATION THROUGH
NJDOT – SAFE STREETS TO TRANSIT

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #127-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kienzle-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Moran-yes,Sefton-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #127-2019

RESOLUTION TO HIRE EMPLOYEE

ATHENA ROEHNERT – PART TIME TAX & UTILITY CLERK - \$13.50 PER HOUR

Introduce Ordinance:

ORDINANCE #9-2019

AMENDING EGG HARBOR CITY CODE CHAPTER 213 ENTITLED “PROPERTY
MAINTENANCE’, ARTICLE III ENTITLED “MAINTENANCE OF
VACANT/ABANDONED PROPERTIES

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mr. Moran and carried, Ordinance #9-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mr. Lello and carried, the Introduction of Ordinance #9-2019 will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on July 3, 2019 for a Public Hearing on July 18, 2019.

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

Mayor and Council Comments: Council Members wished everyone a Happy 4th of July. Councilwoman Heist commented on how great the lake was doing and how good it looked. Councilman Ricci stated he will be presenting Reed Cramer of the EHC

Neighborhood Watch with a check at the July 18th Council Meeting. Councilman Ricci shared safety & precautions for Independence Day.

Public Comment: Marie John's expressed her concerns over the conditions at the EH Boat. Ms. Steeb stated she would pass her concerns along to Code Enforcement.

Upon motion of Mrs. Heist, seconded by Mr. Ricci and carried, the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully Submitted, Meg Steeb/City Clerk, RMC