

October 17, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers, located at 500 London Avenue with Mayor Lisa Jiampetti present. Council President Robert Ross opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Donna Heist, Stefania Kuehner, Angelo Lello, Clifford Mays, Jr., Pat Moran, Joseph Ricci, Jr. and Robin Sefton.(not present Carol Kienzle)

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. Mays and carried, the Council Meeting minutes of September 26, 2019 were approved.

Upon motion of Mr. Mays, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried, authorized a proclamation recognizing, October 10, 2019 as Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day. Proclamation – Put the Brakes on Fatalities – Mayor Jiampetti read the proclamation. Mayor Report:

Mayor Jiampetti introduced Mr. Anthony Ashley, Sr. of 648 Liverpool Avenue. Mayor Jiampetti stated Mr. Ashley submitted a letter to the City requesting to purchase City owned land known as Block 211, Lot 4.03 adjacent to his property. Mayor Jiampetti stated the City sent out letters to all the adjacent property owners asking if they were interested in purchasing the City owned property and if they were interested, to submit an offer. Mayor Jiampetti stated Mr. Ashley was the only person to respond, with an offer of \$3,000.00. Mr. Mays made a motion to accept the offer of Mr. Ashley, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Kuehner and carried by all. City Clerk Meg Steeb stated an Ordinance would need to be introduced to sell the City own land.

Introduce Ordinance:

ORDINANCE #15-2019

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 211, LOT 4.03

Upon motion of Mr. Mays, seconded by Mrs. Kuehner and carried, Ordinance #15-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mr. Mays and carried, the Introduction of Ordinance #15-2019 will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette of October 2, 2019 for a Public Hearing on October 17, 2019.

Mayor Jiampetti stated Greater Egg Harbor Regional School Superintendent Mr. Keenan would like to attend a meeting of Common Council. Mayor Jiampetti stated the

proposed developer of the Tower Site would like to attend the October Council Meeting to talk about the proposed development. Mayor Jiampetti stated she is trying to set up a meeting with DOT regarding Route #30. Mayor Jiampetti stated the Tax Collector Laura Shaw has prepared a list of properties that have liens on them dating back to 1989. Mayor Jiampetti stated the list has been emailed to the Council. Mayor Jiampetti asked if members of Council would be interested in making scarecrows to be placed on Philadelphia Avenue. Mayor Jiampetti stated she would like to start making them in October.

Committee Chair Report:

Highway Department Chairwoman Kuehner stated the F450 state body truck has rotting metal and is going to be taken to Swenson Welding for them to look at and give a price to repair. Ms. Kuehner stated F-350 pickup truck's body is collapsing and needs to be repaired and the City is currently getting prices to repair it. Councilman Lello stated he wanted to let everyone know that the City is not holding up Luby's from reopening. Mr. Lello stated the property suffered extensive damage in the fire and the bar cannot be open for safety reasons. Councilwoman Kuehner stated the City is getting prices to repair the ceiling in City Hall. Ms. Kuehner stated the City should consider removing the pavilion from Lincoln Park and placing it in Peace Pilgrim Park. Councilman Lello stated he met with the Eyren Hafen president Todd Warker. Mr. Lello stated the City owned land that the City turned the development rights over to Lakewood, NJ needs to be turned over to Eyren Hafen. Upon motion of Mr. Mays, Seconded by Mrs. Sefton and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #164-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #164-2019

TURN OVER CITY OWNED LAND TO EYREN HAFEN

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

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

City Clerk Report:

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

Engineer Report: EHC Engineer Ryan McGowan updated Mayor and Council on ongoing projects in EHC.

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mr. Mays and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #165-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #165-2019

UTILITY CREDIT FOURTH QUARTER 2019

Upon motion of Mr. Lello, seconded by Mrs. Kuehner and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #166-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #166-2019

APPROVING ACCUMULATED ABSENSE-CRYSTAL CZERWINSKI

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #167-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Heist-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #167-2019
AMENDING THE SALARY RESOLUTION OF 2019-PT FINANCIAL ASSISTANT

Introduce Ordinance:

ORDINANCE #14-2019
AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 195 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF
EGG HARBOR DESIGNATED "PARKING" TO ADD ADDITIONAL RULES AND
RESTRUCTIONS REGARDING RESIDENTIAL
HANDICAPPED PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried, Ordinance #14-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Mr. Mays, seconded by Mrs. Kuehner and carried, the Introduction of Ordinance #14-2019 will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on October 2, 2019 for a Public Hearing on October 17, 2019.

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #11-2019
AMEND CHAPTER 170-IMPLEMENT AND ENACT CHANGES TO CHAPTER 170
OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR WITH RESPECT TO THE
ELIMINATION OF A ZONING DISTRICT

Mrs. Kuehner made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #11-2019, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried. Council Pres. Ross asked if anyone from the public had any comment and there was none. Upon motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mrs. Kuehner and carried, the public hearing was closed. Upon motion of Mrs. Kuehner, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #11-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted and the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on October 2, 2019.(Heist-yes,Kuehner-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Ross-yes)

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

Mayor Comments:

Council Comments: Councilman Ricci gave an update on the 335 Boston Avenue property. Mr. Ricci stated after doing some research he feels the best thing for the City to do is go out for RFQ for a realtor to sell City own properties. Upon motion of Mr. Lello, seconded by Mrs. Heist and carried, Resolution # 169-2019, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #168-2019
PREPARE RFQ FOR A REALTOR TO SELL CITY OWN LAND

Public Comment: Mary Campbell of Rittenberg Manor came before Mayor Council. Ms. Campbell expressed her concerns over pedestrian safety. Ms. Campbell expressed her displeasure with the walking conditions in EHC. Ms. Campbell stated there is overgrowth of vegetation on many sidewalks in the City. Markus King, President of Teamsters 331 came before Mayor and Council. Mr. King stated he was very unhappy about the way the EHC Court matters are being handled and he hoped the City would keep him informed as to what is happening with the court. Mr. King also cautioned Council members about doing work in the City that could be done by the Public Works Department. Mr. King stated if this continues, grievances will be filled. Lynne Kienzle, 400 St. Louis Avenue came before Mayor and Council. Ms. Kienzle expressed concerns over a street light being removed from her block. Ms. Kienzle stated her block is very dark and she would like the light replace.

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