

September 24, 2020

The Remote Regular Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 7:00pm with Mayor Lisa Jampetti present. Council Pro Temp. Joseph Ricci, Jr. opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Mattia Brown, Steve Dash, Donna Heist, Clifford Mays, Jr., Robert Ross, Robin Sefton and Scott Trythall. (Due to Covid-19 Pandemic and social distancing requirements, the meeting was held via zoom, call in and in person, five members of the Governing Body and invited guests could attend in person.)

Council Pro Temp. Ricci 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 Pro Temp Ricci stated the Remote Council Meeting is necessary do to the Covid-19 Crisis. Council President Ricci asked for a moment of silence for the recent passing of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsbug.

Mayors Presentation: Mayor Jampetti gave the Oath of Office to the following EHC Class II Officer.

- Justin Cantz

Mayor Jampetti gave the Oath of Office to the following Egg Harbor City Police Officers.

- Alex Defeo
- Thomas White Jr.
- Richard Carpo

Mayor Jampetti recognized Richard Carpo for Outstanding activity in 2019.

Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Brown and carried, the September 10, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes was approved.

Council Pro Temp. Ricci asked if anyone from the public had any comment on any item on the agenda and there was no comment from the public.

Mayor Report:

Mayor Jampetti stated Phil Sartorio the NPP Grant Coordinator was present tonight to give an update on the NPP Grant. Mr. Sartorio gave an update on the NPP Grant. Mr. Sartorio asked Council to authorize a grant application for the NPP COVID-19 Relief Program once the funding becomes available. Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #167-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved. (Brown-yes, Dash-yes, Heist-yes, Mays-yes, Ricci-yes, Ross-yes, Sefton-yes, Trythall-yes)

RESOLUTION #167-2020
AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE
NPP COVID-19 RELEIF PROGRAM

Mayor Jiampetti gave an update on the ACME Site Project. Mayor Jiampetti stated EHC resident Candace Negron is seeking permission to hold a Coat Drive at Lincoln Park on October 24th from 1pm-4pm. Ross made a motion to authorize the Coat Drive, the motion was seconded by Brown and carried by all. Mayor Jiampetti gave an update on the EHC Halloween Parade and stated the parade will be held on October 30th at 6pm. Mayor Jiampetti stated the new route will include the 500 Block of Philadelphia Avenue and continue down Philadelphia Avenue to Arago and everyone will disperse at Philadelphia Avenue and Arago Street. Mayor Jiampetti stated the Foodbank will distribute food on October 15, 2020 at 11:30am at Lincoln Park. Mayor Jiampetti stated there is a proclamation on tonight's agenda for "Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day". City Clerk Meg Steeb read the proclamation. Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Brown and carried, Resolution #168-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #168-2020
PROCLAMATION
KNOCK OUT OPIOID ABUSE DAY
OCTOBER 6, 2020

Mayor Jiampetti gave an update on the Tackle Direct Project.

Committee Chair Reports:

Council Pro. Temp Ricci stated the Safety Committee did meet to discuss the Halloween Parade and the route changes. Mayor Jiampetti stated the EHC Fire Department did receive a FEMA Grant. and the City will need to match a portion. City Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on the WIPA process. Heist stated there was a Cemetery Board meeting. City Clerk Meg Steeb gave an update on the EHC Cemetery. Mayor Jiampetti stated there will be a new roof put on the log cabin on Philadelphia Avenue on Saturday. Mayor Jiampetti stated the new roof is being paid for through the NPP Grant. Mayor Jiampetti inquired as to whether the clock on Philadelphia Avenue and in Lincoln Park could be fixed through the NPP Grant and asked for quotes to repair. City Clerk Meg Steeb stated she thought a quote to repair was obtained not long ago and she would check.

Director of Public Safety Report: The Director of Public Safety, Mark Emmer gave an update on the EHC Police Department.

CFO Report: EHCCFO Jodi Kahn stated the EHC Public Works and Utility Department needs of to hire temporary labor due to an employee retiring. Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Brown and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #169A-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown=yes,Dash=yes,Heist=yes,Mays=yes,Ricci=yes,Ross=yes,Sefton=yes,Trythall=yes)

RESOLUTION #169A-2020
HIRE PART TIME EMPLOYEE
KYLE ADAMS

Mayor Jiampetti asked Ms. Kahn if there was an update on the Bike Path and Ms. Kahn stated there was not at this time.

City Clerk Report: N/A

City Attorney Report: City Attorney Angela Costigan gave an update on property for sale in EHC and stated there was a resolution on the agenda to authorize George Frick to move forward selling certain properties. Ms. Costigan stated the WIPA agreement is being reviewed and something should be available soon and a public hearing will be scheduled.

Engineer Report: City Engineer Ryan McGowan went over the Engineer Report, a copy of the report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Mr. McGowan stated the Atlantic Avenue Transit Path Extension Phase II, FY 2018 Safe streets to Transit is ready to go out to bid. Mr. McGowan asked for authorization to advertise the bid. Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Brown and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #168B-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes)

RESOLUTION 169B-2020

**AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE THE BID FOR THE ATLANTIC AVENUE
TRANSIT PATH EXTENSION PHASE II-FY2018 SAFE STREETS TO TRANSIT**

City Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on the City Solar RFP.

Upon notion of Ross, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call, Resolution #170-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes)

RESOLUTION #170-2020

**AUTHORIZING REMINGTON & VERNICK TO GO OUT TO BID FOR
SOLAR RFP FOR A SECOND TIME**

Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Brown and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #171-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes)

RESOLUTION #171-2020

**AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER
NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE**

Upon motion of Brown, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #172-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes)

RESOLUTION #172-2020

**AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT AND PROCUREMENT OF
OFFERS FOR REAL PROPERTY**

Upon motion of brown, seconded by Heist and carried, Resolution #173-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #173-2020

RENEW LIQUOR LICENSES JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #17-2020
AMENDING THE SALARIES AND WAGES
OF BARGAINING PERSONNEL OF EGG HARBOR CITY

Ross made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #17-2020, the motion was seconded by Heist and carried. Council Pro. Temp Ricci asked if anyone from the public had any comment and there was none. Ross made a motion to close the Public Hearing, the motion was seconded by Trythall and carried. Upon motion of Trythall, seconded by Ross and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #17-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted and the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on September 30, 2020.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes)

Upon motion of Brown, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, the Bill List attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Ross-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes)

Public Comment: Ammee Cramer of Chicago Avenue asked about the City's nepotism policy. Mrs. Cramer had concerns over hiring the son of the Water and Sewer Superintendent. City Attorney Angela Costigan stated it is allowed due to the fact the position is part time/temporary.

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