

January 23, 2020

The Budget Workshop and Regular Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, January 23, 2020 with the Budget Workshop beginning at 6:00pm in Council Chambers, located at 500 London Avenue with Mayor Lisa Jiampetti present. Council President Angelo Lello opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Mattia Brown, Steve Dash (6:35pm), Donna Heist, Clifford Mays, Jr., Joseph Ricci, Jr., Robin Sefton, Scott Trythall and Robert Ross.

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

Budget Workshop:

CFO Jodi Kahn reviewed "Budget Draft" she prepared and provided to Council, a copy of the budget draft is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

The Budget Workshop was adjourned at 6:50pm upon motion of Trythall and seconded Heist.

Regular Council Meeting:

Upon motion of Mays, seconded by Trythall and carried, the January 2, 2020 Reorganization Minutes and the Executive Session minutes of August 22, 2019 and December 12 2019 were approved.

Mayor Report and Comments:

Mayor Jiampetti stated there will be a Public Information Meeting to discuss the proposed Cedar Creek/Egg Harbor Lake Pedestrian connection at City Hall on February 12, 2020 from 4:00pm to 6:30pm. Michael Troncone of Consulting & Municipal Engineers will be giving hosting the Public Information Meeting. Mayor Jiampetti stated the Public Information Meeting will be followed by a presentation to City Council at its meeting on February 13, 2020. Mayor Jiampetti spoke on the cops grant. Mayor Jiampetti stated the EHC Tax Collector Laura Shaw will be coming to the second meeting in February to explain the foreclosure and accelerated tax sale procedure to Council members. Mayor Jiampetti also commented on the new ordinance regarding group homes in EHC. Mayor Jiampetti asked if the City Attorney could find out if the ordinance could be retroactive. Mayor Jiampetti stated she spoke to someone at the DCA who told her it could be. The City Attorney stated she would find out.

Council Comments and Chari Reports:

Councilwoman Heist stated she forwarded the dates for meetings for the committees she chairs to Mayor, Council and the Clerk's Office. Councilman Ricci suggested in an effort to cut down on meeting time the Governing Body should consider only having the professionals give at the second meeting of the month. Councilman Trythall stated he is

the Chair of the School Board Committee and since there is only one other member of Council on the committee that they will not be scheduling quarterly meeting. Council Pres. Lello stated the Highway Committee will be meeting to discuss equipment repairs. Councilman Dash read the Construction and Code Enforcement Reports, a copy of the reports is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Councilman Dash stated the City has recently hired an additional Pat Time Code Enforcement Officer. Councilman Ross stated there were three responses to the RFQ for the sale of the EHC City Water. Councilman Ross stated there was a meeting at City Hall on Wednesday January 22nd with those who responded. Council Pres. Lello stated the License and Ordinance Committee is reviewing license fees and will be reporting back to Council. Councilman Ross gave an update on the EHC Land Use Board. Councilman Ross stated the board chose there professionals for 2020.

Upon motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #30-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved. (Brown-yes, Dash-yes, Heist-yes, Lello-yes, Mays-yes, Ricci-yes, Sefton-yes, Trythall-yes, Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #30-2020
APPOINTING THE ATTORNEY
EHC MUNICIPAL LAND USE BOARD FOR YEAR 2020

Upon motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mrs. Sefton and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #31-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved. (Brown-yes, Dash-yes, Heist-yes, Lello-yes, Mays-yes, Ricci-yes, Sefton-yes, Trythall-abstain, Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #31-2020
APPOINTING THE ENGINEER
EHC MUNICIPAL LAND USE BOARD FOR YEAR 2020

Councilman Trythall stated the EHC Schools After School Program has returned thanks to a grant secured by the EHC Schools. JIF representation Meg Steeb stated she would be meeting with the new JIF on February 3rd along with CFO Jodi Kahn. EHC Police Department: Lt. Hutton gave an update on the EHCPD. Lt. Hutton spoke on the Cop Grant. Councilman Ricci asked how long the grant would pay for the police and Lt. Hutton stated for 3 years.

CFO Report: N/A

City Clerk Report: Meg Steeb stated she had an add on for a refund in utility.

Upon motion of Ricci, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #32-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved. (Brown-yes, Dash-yes, Heist-yes, Kienzle-yes, Lello-yes, Mays-yes, Ricci-yes, Sefton-yes, Trythall-yes, Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #32-2020
UTILITY OVER PAYMENT-124 HAVANA AVENUE - \$55.75

City Attorney Report: City Attorney Angela Costigan gave a report, see the attached for items she reported on. Councilman Dash had concerns with the proposed recreation ordinance as it pertains to service dogs. Ms. Costigan assured Councilman Dash that the

wording in the ordinance concerning service dogs was allowed. Ms. Costigan also stated the proposed buyer of 335 Boston is requesting an additional 90 days for closing on the property to secure financing. Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #33-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #33-2020

GRANT 90 DAY EXTENSIONF OR THE PURCHASE OF 335 BOSTON AVENUE

Engineer Report: City Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on projects in EHC. Councilman Ricci asked about the paving of Bremen Avenue between Route #30 and Atlantic Avenue. Mr. McGowan stated the City was holding off paving that area of Bremen Avenue until the NJDOT improvements were complete on Rt. #30. Mr. McGowan encouraged the City to create a list of streets for repair based upon their need. Mr. McGowan stated he would submit a proposal to prepare such an inventory of streets in EHC.

Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #34-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-no,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #34-2020

SALARY RESOLUTION OF 2020
NON-BARGAINING PERSONNEL

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #35-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minu8tes was approved.(Brown-yes, Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #35-2020

APPOINTING LAURA SHAW TAX COLLECTOR OF EHC

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Sefton and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #36-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #36-2019

AMENDING PART TIME UTILITY CLERK SALARY

Upon motion of Trythall, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #37-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-ys,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yesRoss-yes)

RESOLUTION #37-2020

BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS

City Clerk Meg Steeb stated the City advertised for Real Estate Broker Services and has received two (2) responses. Mrs. Steeb stated the responses were received from Century 21 Frick Realtors and Re/Max Atlantic - The Sherwood Team. Ms. Steeb stated she will do a roll call and asked Council to state their choice, when their name is called.

Upon motion of Trythall, seconded by Ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #38-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-Re/Max,Dash-Century 21,Heist-Century 21,Lello-Century 21,Mays-Century 21,Ricci-abstain,Sefton-Re/Max,Trythall-Century 21,Ross-Century 21)(Century 21-6,Re/Max-2,Abstain-1)

RESOLUTION #38-2020

AWARD CONTRACT FOR REAL ESTATE BROKER SERVICES

Upon motion of Mays, seconded by Sefton and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #39-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #39-2020

AWARD PROPOSAL TO PREPARE AND ADMINISTER AN RFP TO PROVIDE SALAR ELECTRICITY TO THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR THROUGH A THIRD-PARTY POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Upon motion of Trythall, seconded by Sefton and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #40-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #40-2020

RENEW ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 2020

Upon motion of Sefton, seconded by ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #41-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Moran-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #41-2020

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FINAL-ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEM NJDOT FY18-500 BLOCK CHICAGO AVENUE

Upon motion of Ricci, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #42-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #42-2020

HIRE PART-TIMEEMPLOYEES

Upon motion of Mays, seconded by Trythall and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #43-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #43-2020

UTILITY OVERPAYMENT-708 CAMPE STREET-\$193.60

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Mays and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #44-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #44-2020

UTILITY OVERPAYMENT-411 PHILADELPHIA AVENUE - \$455.67

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Ross and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #45-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #45-2020

REFUND TAX OVER PAYMENT-254 WASHINGTON AVENUE-\$1,317.15

Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #46-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #46-2020

TAX OVER PAYMENT-210 WASHINGTON AVENUE - \$1,317.15

Upon motion of Trythall, seconded by Ricci and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #47-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #47-2020

UTILITY CREDIT 1ST QUARTER 2020-814 ARAGO STREET-\$201.50

Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Mays and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #48-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #48-2020

UTILITY CREDIT 1ST QUARTER 2020-1251-1259 HAVANA AVENUE-\$2404.25

Upon motion of Sefton, seconded by Heist and carried, Resolution #49-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #49-2020

SUPPORT FROM LOCAL GOVERNING BODY AUTHORIZING THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRAT APPLICATION

Upon motion of Mays, seconded by Trythall and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #50-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

RESOLUTION #50-2020

AUTHORIZE THE REFUND BUILDING PERMIT FEE-RYAN TAYLOR-\$816.00

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Mays and carried, Resolution #51-2020 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #51-2020

2020 MUNICIPAL AERIAL MOSQUITO CONTROL AGREEMENT

Introduce Ordinance:

ORDINANCE #2-2020
AMEND THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR, PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 241 TITLED TAXATION TO ADD ARTICLE III, SECTION 241-14 TITLED TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN AND SURVIVING SPOUSE TAX EXEMPTION

Upon motion of Ricci, seconded by Heist and carried, Ordinance #2-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Ricci, seconded by Heist and carried, the Introduction of Ordinance #2-2020 will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on January 29, 2020 for a Public Hearing on February 13, 2020.

Introduce Ordinance:

ORDINANCE #3-2020
AMEND THE GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR PART II-GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 170 TITLED LAND USE DEVELOPMENT, ARTICLE X, GENERAL REGULATIONS TO ADD SECTION 170-98 TITLED SETBACK EXCEPTIONS FOR HANDICAP/WHEELCHAIR RAMPS ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Ricci and carried, Ordinance #3-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Ross, seconded by Trythall and carried, the Introduction of Ordinance #3-2020 will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on January 29, 2020 for a Public Hearing on February 13, 2020

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #1-2020
ESTABLISHING A SINGLE JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT WITH THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON; REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 30 OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR; AND APPROVING A JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT WITH THE TOWN OF HAMMONNTON

Trythall made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #1-2020, the motion was seconded by Ricci and carried. Council Pres. Lello asked if there was any comment from the public. Karl Timbers, 210 London Avenue came before Mayor and council. Mr. Timbers expressed his concerns about EHC merging Municipal Court Services. Ms. Costigan stated the State is encouraging municipalities to merging of services in an effort to save tax payers money. Mary Campbell of Rittenberg Manor came before Mayor and Council. Ms. Campbell stated she is relieved that the City decided to merge with Hammonton rather than Hamilton Twp. Ms. Campbell stated it is easier to get to Hammonton on public transportation then Hamilton Twp. Upon motion of Trythall, seconded by Ricci and carried, the Public Hearing was closed. Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Trythall and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #1-2020, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted and the Notice of Adoption will be

advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on January 29, 2020.(Brown-yes,Dash-yes,Hesit-yes,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

Upon motion of Mays, seconded by Trythall 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,Lello-yes,Mays-yes,Ricci-yes,Sefton-yes,Trythall-yes,Ross-yes)

Mayor and Council Comments:

Public Comment: Marie Johns of Liverpool Avenue came before Mayor and council. Ms. Johns expressed her displeasure with the Code Enforcement Department. Ms. Johns stated there are many properties that could be looked into due to violations. Ms. Johns expressed concerns over drug activity in the her neighborhood. Ms. Johns asked if the NNP money could be used to improve the Log Cabin on Philadelphia Avenue and Mayor Jiampetti stated the NNP Grant Coordinator is looking at different options. Kath Timbers of London Avenue came before Mayor and Council Mr. Timbers spoke on the WIPA Process and stated EHC is the first in NJ to use the WIPA process. City Engineer Ryan McGowan stated that was true. Mr. McGowan gave an update on the WIPA process. Scott Senn, 310 Washinton Avenue came before Mayor and Council. Mr. Senn had questions regarding the sale of the EHC Water & Sewer treatment Facility. City Engineer McGowan addressed all Mr. Senn's questions. Keith Adams, 520 Boston Avenue came before Mayor and Council. Mr. Adams expressed his pleasure with the return of the after school program in the EHC. Mr. Adams thanked Mayor Jiampetti for all her hard work with the program. Mr. Adams stated he use to work for the EHC Utility Department full time and now works part time in the department. Mr. Adams stated he is very upset with the proposed sale of the EHC Water & Sewer Treatment Facility. Mr. Adams stated EHC has a state of the art facility, the department currently provides top notch service and has home rule. Mr. Adams questions what kind of service the EHC residents will have once the utility is sold. Teddy W, 158 San Francisco Avenue cam before Mayor and Council. Mr. W was very upset with an EHC Site on social media and asked if there was anything the City could do to shut down the site. Mr. W. stated horrible things are posted on the site about EHC. Mr. W. stated when you search EHC on the internet this particular site is the first to come up. Mr. W stated the person who runs the site is a resident of EHC and members of Council are on the site. He questioned why members of Council would be on the site and asked them to speak to the administrator of the site. City Attorney Angela Costigan stated there is not much you can do due to freedom of speech. Members of the Public suggested an injunction, Mr. W asked if the City IT person could do something and the Mayor stated she would ask. Anthony DaGrosso of St. Louis Avenue came before Mayor and Council. Mr. DaGrosso stated he was unhappy with the house next to him. Mr. DaGrosso stated there is construction being done on the home all hours of the day and there are no permits to do the work. Council Pres. Lello stated he would notify Code Enforcement. Reed Cramer of 137 Chicago Avenue came before Mayor and Council. Mr. Cramer stated he was very upset over comments Councilman Mays made at the January 3, 2020 Re Organization meeting. Mr. Cramer stated these comments were made to the press and published in the paper. Mr. Cramer stated the comments were about him and he is contemplating legal action against the City and Councilman Mays. Mr. Cramer stated he has suffered due to the comments. Mr. Cramer stated he wants a public apology from the Councilman Mays or he will take legal action. Amy Cramer of 137 Chicago Avenue came before Mayor and

Council. Ms. Cramer stated Reed Cramer is her husband and the comments made by Councilman Mays have caused her husband great anguish.

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