

September 28, 2023

The Remote and in Person Regular Meeting of Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 7:00pm with Mayor Lisa Jampetti present. Council Pro Temp Heist opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Kasey Attianese (remote), Ingrid Nieves Clark, Nanette Galloway, Kim Hesse, and Mason Wright. (Not present were Dash, Timbers and Ricci)

Council Pro Temp. Heist stated the meeting has been properly advertised and posted in accordance with Public Law 75, Chapter 231.

Council Pro Temp Heist stated the meeting is being conducted via Zoom, conference call and in person. The meeting is also being recorded to air on the Egg Harbor City website, Channel 97 and Facebook.

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Galloway and carried, the September 14, 2023 Council meeting minutes were approved.

NPP Secretary Karen Adams came before Mayor and Council and gave an update on the NPP Program.

Mayors Report: In Chief Aylwin's absence Mayor Jampetti read the EHCPD Report. Mayor Jampetti spoke on the "Knock Out Opioid Abuse" Resolution on the agenda. Mayor Jampetti spoke on several grant projects in the City. Mayor Jampetti stated the City did not receive the grant to purchase a pumper truck for the EHCFD. Mayor Jampetti stated the City received a \$1,000,000.00 forestry grant. Mayor Jampetti mentioned the Atlantic County Fire Fighters 100th Anniversary Parade and Celebration being held in EHC on October 7, 2023. Mayor Jampetti stated she is working on the Strategic Plan for the City, and has an anonymous Performance Culture Survey for the Governing Body and employees to complete. Mayor Jampetti stated there will be a drop box at City Hall for your completed survey.

Committee Chair Reports: Councilwoman Galloway explained the USDA Forestry Grant and how the funds could be spent in the City. Galloway stated there will be a Green Team meeting at the Teamster Union Hall on Tuesday, October 3rd. Councilwoman Attianese gave an update EHC Schools. Attianese mentioned she toured the property located at 1100 Duerer Street, and recommends the City sells the property Councilwoman Hesse gave an update on the Rotary.

Chief of Police Report: N/A

CFO Report: CFO Jodi Kahn state she has been securing quotes for purchasing new audio equipment for the Council Room. Ms. Kahn also gave an update on the demolition of the old Weisbecker property.

City Clerk Report: N/A

City Attorney Report: City Attorney Angela Costigan attended the meeting remotely, and had no report.

Engineer Report: N/A The City Engineer was not present.

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Galloway and carried, Resolution #161-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #161-2023

KNOCK OUT OPIOID ABUSE DAY-OCTOBER 6, 2023

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Clark and carried, Resolution #162-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #162-2023

AUTHORIZE CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACT UNITS PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:11-12a

Upon motion of Galloway, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #163-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Wright-yes)

RESOLUTION #163-2023

CHAPTER 159 USDA COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT-\$1,000,000.00

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Galloway and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #164-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Wright-yes)

RESOLUTION #156-2023

CHAPTER 159 NJDEP STORMWATER MAP GRANT-\$25,000.00

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #165-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Wright-yes)

RESOLUTION #165-2023

CHAPTER 159 COMCAST TECHNOLOGY GRANT-\$12,000.00

Upon motion of Clark, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #166-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Wright-yes)

RESOLUTION #166-2023

APPROVING AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH EHC BOE FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Galloway and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #167-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Wright-yes)

RESOLUTION #159-2023

ELECTRONIC TAX SALE

Upon motion of Hesse, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #168-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Galloway-recused,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Wright-yes)

RESOLUTION #168-2023

100% DISABLED VETERAN TAX EXEMPTION

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Clark and carried by a roll call vote, the Bill List attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Atianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Wright-yes)

Mayor and Council Comments: Wright and Clark gave an update on the EHC Crusaders. Hesse thanked Jackson Senn for the birdhouses in PPP. Hesse reminded everyone that the MS Bike Run is this coming weekend.

Public Comment: Tracey Mulherin of Arago Street came before Mayor and Council.

Ms. Mulherin expressed disappointment that the City is considering removing the Gazebo in Lincoln Park, and asked the City to reconsider. Mulherin asked for an update on the bike path. Mayor Jiampetti gave an update on the bike path. Mulherin asked the City to consider a celebration to recognize the City being incorporated. Mulherin suggested the celebration be called Founders Day and be held in June. Patrick Foster of 452 London Avenue called in remotely. Mr. Foster explained his situation with pigs on his property, and why he feels his pigs are grandfathered in, and should not have to be removed from the property. Kiome Fuentes of EHC came before Mayor and Council. Ms. Fuentes asked what the rules were for political sign placement in the City. Ms. Fuentes stated election signs were placed on a property without the property owner's permission. Ms. Fuentes stated the police were called to have the signs removed. City Attorney Angela Costigan stated people should not place political signs on property without the permission of the property owner.

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