

November 21, 2024

The Remote and in Person Regular Meeting of Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 7:00pm. Council President Ricci opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Ingrid Clark, Steve Dash, Nanette Galloway, Donna Heist, Kim Hesse, Karl Timbers(Zoom) and Mason Wright.(Mayor Lisa Jiampetti and Councilwoman Kasey Attianese were not present)

Council Pres. Ricci called the meeting to order and made the following announcement:

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:

1. Advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Egg Harbor City Hall Bulletin Board.
2. Advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Egg Harbor City website.
3. Advance written notice of this meeting was sent to the Hammonton Gazette and the AC Press.

Council Pres. Ricci 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.

Council Pres. Ricci asked if there was any comment from the public on any agenda item and there was no comment.

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Ricci the October 17, 2024 Council meeting minutes were approved.(Councilwoman Galloway abstained)

Committee Reports: Council Pres. Ricci gave an update on Finance and Code Enforcement. Council Pres. Ricci stated the City is still in negotiations with the PBA. Heist gave an update on DPW. Councilwoman Hesse stated the last day for the coat donation box at City Hall will be November 29, 2024. Hesse stated the Rotary is looking for new members. Councilwoman Galloway gave an update on EHC Sustainable and mentioned the City was awarded its certification at the NJLM on November 19th.

Chief of Police Report: Chief Marcella Aylwin gave an update on the EHCPD.

CFO Report: CFO Jodi Kahn reported on the Best Practice Checklist.

Clerk: The City Clerk was not present, Deputy Clerk Jacki Young filled in at the meeting.

Engineer's Report: City Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on ongoing projects in the City.

City Attorney Report: Costigan gave an update on 2 lots in the Industrial Park that Costa Marine would like to purchase.

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Clark and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution 159-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-no,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #159-2024

REMOVE DEED RESTRICTIONS

1420 MOSS MILL ROAD/1500 MOSS MILL ROAD

City Attorney Angela Costigan explained the resolution on the agenda (#36), approving the second amendment to the agreement of sale between the City and Atlantic Motion Picture Studios LLC by Jonathon Sachar. Costigan explained the Resolution on

the agenda (37), authorizing a Public Auction, 1500 Liverpool Avenue / Block 220, Lot 1. The City Engineer explained why the City should not sell the property due to a basin being located on the property. After discussion and deliberation Hesse made a motion to table the resolution, the motion was seconded by Galloway and carried. Costigan explained the ordinance induction on the agenda (38), authorizing the public sale of real property to contiguous property owners pursuant to NJSA 40A:12-13(b)(5). After discussion and deliberation, Hesse made a motion to table the introduction of the ordinance, the motion was seconded by Heist and carried.

Neighborhood Preservation Program Update: NPP Grant Administrator Karen Adams gave an update on the NPP.

Motion to Approve: Upon motion of Clark, seconded by Wright and carried, approval was given for the use of the EHC Lake for the Scouting America Jersey Shore Council Klondike Derby, January 17-19, 2025 and the Cub Scout Camp, August 4-8, 2025.

Upon motion of Hesse, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #160-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #160-2024

RENEW STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND

JANUARY 1, 2025 TERMINATING JANUARY 1, 2028

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Dash and carried, Resolution #161-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #161-2024

ADOPTING GOVERNMENT RECORDS COUNSEL

PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST FORM

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #162-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #162-2024

**CHANGE ORDER #1 – ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS, INC. PROJET NJDOT
FY2023 RECONSTRUCTION OF LIVERPOOL AVENUE**

Upon motion of Hesse, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #163-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #163-2024

**CHANGE ORDER #1-KEYSTONE SPORTS CONSTRUCTION EGG HARBOR CITY
TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL COURTS PROJECT**

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #164-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #164-2024

KEYSTONE SPORTS CONSTRUCTION EGG HARBOR CITY TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL COURTS PROJECT

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #165-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #165-2024

AUTHORIZE REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS TO DESIGN, PREPARE BIDS/SPECS, AND INSPECT A PROJECT TO UPGRADE THE HVAC SYSTEM AT CITY HALL

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #166-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #166-2024

AUTHORIZE REMINGTON VERNICK ENGINEERS TO PREPARE ARCHWAY GREENE PARK IMPROVEMENTS FINAL DESIGN, BID DOCUMENTS AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #167-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #167-2024

AUTHORIZE REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EGG HARBOR CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Upon motion of Hesse, and seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #168-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #168-2024

AUTHORIZE REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS TO PREPARE THE NJ I-BANK STORMWATER IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN SERVICES

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #169-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #169-2024

PRELIMINARY COSTS FOR ENGINEERING EXPENSES FOR STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000.00

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #170-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #170-2024
BUDGET TRANSFERS**

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Clark and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #171-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #171-2024
AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER
NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE**

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Dash and carried, Resolution #172-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #172-2024
REFUND EHC MUNICIPAL LAND USE APPLICATION FEE AND ESCROW
BEN RISLEY-\$600.00**

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Hesse and carried, Resolution #173-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #173-2024
AUTHORIZING PURCHASING ROCK SALT THROUGH A COOPERATIVE
AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC**

Upon motion of Galloway, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #174-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist -yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #174-2024
CHAPTER 159 LEAFING OUT EDUCATION GRANT**

Upon motion of Clark, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #174-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.)Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #175-2024
ADOPT AND ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR AN OUTDOOR FITNESS COURT AS
PART OF THE 2025 NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN**

Upon motion of Galloway, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #176-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #176-2024
SUPPORT FROM LOCAL GOVERNING BODY AUTHORIZING THE
SUSTAINABLE JERSEY CLIMATE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION**

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #177-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #177-2024
CANCEL GRANTS**

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Clark and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #178-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #178-2024
CANCEL MUNICIPAL TAX LIEN-853-859 LIVERPOOL AVENUE**

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Dash and carried, Resolution #179-2024, attached here to and made apart of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #179-2024
100% DISABLED VETERAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION**

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #180-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #180-2024
APPROVE TAX EXEMPT STATUS BY TAX ASSESSOR
NO1HUNGRYINEHCLLC-231 PHILADELPHIA AVENUE**

Upon motion of Clark, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #181-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

**RESOLUTION #181-2024
APPROVING SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT OF SALE
BETWEEN ATLANTIC MOTION PICTURE STUDIOS LLC BY JONATHAN
SACHAR AND THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY**

Public Hearing

ORDINANCE #12-2024

REPEALING THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 178-9
CONSTRUCTION SITES AND ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 178-9 TITLED SAFE
CONSTRUCTION WORKSITES WITHIN THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR

Heist made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #12-2024, the motion was seconded by Wright and carried. Council Pres. Ricci asked if anyone from the public had comment, and there was not comment. Wright made a motion to close the Public Hearing, the motion was seconded by Clark and carried. Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Wright, carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #12-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted, and the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on November 27, 2024.

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

Council Comments: Council wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and congratulated NO1HUNGRYINEHCLLC for their tax-exempt status. Council also thanked Karen Adams for all she does with the NPP and EHCEDC. Council encouraged everyone to attend the Wimberg Tree Lighting and Winter Bazaar on December 7th. Councilwoman Galloway gave an update on the Peace Pilgrim statue repair. Ms. Galloway stated the City has received a commitment from a local foundation to fund the Peace Pilgrim statue repair.

Public Comment: Ben Risley asked if there is funding for the pickleball courts being installed in the City. Council Pres. Ricci stated no tax payer funds are being used, the City has a grant and is using proceeds from the sale of the EHC Water Treatment Facility. Mr. Risley asked what Atlantic Motion Picture Studios is paying for the land and the City Attorney stated \$10,000.00 an acre. Risley asked for an update on the comment the Mayor made at the EHC Land Use Board regarding a third retail cannabis license. Council Pres. Ricci stated Council knows nothing about a third retail cannabis license and suggest Mr. Risley and Mr. Vikani attend an EHC Land Use Board meeting to express their concerns. Kuldip Vikani owner of Med Leaf, 200 Philadelphia Avenue came before Council and asked about the comments the Mayor made at an EHCLUB meeting regarding a third retail cannabis license. Council Pres. Ricci stated the Mayors comments were premature. Council Pres. Ricci stated the current Council is against a third retail cannabis license, and two were enough. Councilwoman Galloway stated at one time the City had six liquor stores. Councilwoman Galloway stated the EHC Land Use Board approved their Land Use Board application and this Council gave a resolution of support to them for retail cannabis. Council Pres. Ricci stated it was a resolution of support not approval. Councilwoman Heist stated the two current businesses should have time to get established before a third license should be considered. Councilman Dash stated the City approved two retail licenses and it is unfair to consider a third. EHC resident Mike Sheridan spoke via Zoom. Mr. Sheridan thanked the EHCDPW for all their work on the Sibbel Shaler gravesite restoration.

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