

**CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC**  
**6:30 p.m. DECEMBER 8, 2015**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Adequate notice of this meeting was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act. On the motion of Council President Rummler, seconded by Councilmember Bugdon, and carried to close the workshop portion of the meeting.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:** John Bonthron, Doris Bugdon, Nick Capille, Craig Rummler, Kevin Wessler, Donna Riegel

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:** Roger Giberson

**MAYOR:** Gary Giberson *Absent*

**MUNICIPAL CLERK:** Kimberly A. Campellone, Municipal Clerk

**ATTORNEY:** Ray Went, Esq.

**INVOCATION:** Pastor Frank Brown

Council President Craig Rummler called the meeting to order and lead the flag salute. This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the minutes, in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act". The Municipal Clerk of the City of Port Republic posted at City Hall, 143 Main Street, Port Republic and mailed and/or faxed to the Atlantic City Press and the Current Newspaper, a meeting notice setting for the time, date and locations of this meeting.

**MOTION TO APPROVE NOVEMBER 10, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Riegel and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE DECEMBER 2015 BILL LIST**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Bonthron and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO PAY ALL SIGNED BILLS**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Bonthron and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**Special Presentation:**

Robert Adams, Volunteer of the Year

Councilwoman Bugdon presented Robert Adams with a plaque for his 60 Years of Volunteer Service and reminisced of those years serviced. Robert Adams was appreciative of the recognition.

**Police/Emergency Management:**

Mayor's report advised that he is attending the 911 centralized dispatch meeting and is addressing the costs associated with the 911 centralized dispatch for Port Republic. He also stated that the NJSP have been using the substation and he has been receiving messages from the ACORN system.

**Administrative/Personnel:**

No report.

**Public Works:**

No report

**Recreation:**

Councilwoman Bugdon stated that the tree lighting event was wonderful and thanked council and their spouses for their contributions, as well as, John Bonthron for the music.

**Fire and Ambulance:**

Councilman Wessler stated that everyone is invited back to the firehouse for coffee and dessert. A firetruck had a fender bender with a state trooper car on a call on the parkway.

**Board of School Estimates:**

No report.

**Planning Board:**

There was no December meeting. January's meeting will be the public hearing for the Master Plan.

**Code Enforcement:**

Letters sent to the following 106 Main St. regarding trash, Peter Lumber for overweight vehicle on 610 bridge and 201 Clarks Landing Rd regarding condition of building. Follow up on 5 Whispering Woods, matter still pending and 191 Chestnut Neck Rd has been resolved.

**Construction:**

A total of 19 inspections were done; the following 9 permits were issues: 7 alterations and 2 co for resale

**Senior Services:**

Councilwoman Bugdon stated that physical health aids continue to be lent out; next month she will meet with some seniors to get some new ideas for senior services.

**Building:**

Video tape of sewer pipe is in the hands of the architect.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded by Councilmember Bonthron and carried.

Bob Haviland 316 English Creek Road stated that while walking through the Environmental Park he noticed some debris, old tire and a fallen tree. He requested if Public Works can go out and clean up the area.

**CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:**

Hearing nothing from the public, Councilmember Bugdon moved, seconded of Councilmember Riegel and carried to close the public portion.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mill Pond Trail Issues

*There has been non-passive activity such as off road vehicles and activity from the gunning club along the trails. Mr. Creighton has several ideas to curtail the motorized vehicles from going into the area and may be asking the city to supply some of the items needed. Council President Rummler stated he could have an Eagle Scout help out.*

2016 Court Calendar from Court Administrator Deanna Bruckler  
*Acknowledged*

Letter dated November 10, Clarks Landing Road Project  
*Acknowledged*

Memo from Tax Collector Donna O'Brien  
*No interest from the City.*

Minutes from the Port School  
*Acknowledged*

Emails from Port School Business Administrator  
*No Action.*

**ORDINANCES:**

**09-2015** Special Emergency Appropriation for the Revaluation of Real Property  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption*

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION:**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded by Councilmember Riegel and carried.

**CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:**

Hearing nothing from the public, Councilmember Bugdon moved, seconded of Councilmember Riegel and carried to close the public portion.

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Riegel and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**10-2015** Amend Construction Fees

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption*

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded by Councilmember Riegel and carried.

**CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:**

Hearing nothing from the public, Councilmember Bugdon moved, seconded of Councilmember Riegel and carried to close the public portion.

On the motion of Councilmember Wessler, seconded of Councilmember Bugdon and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**77-2015** Concerning Operation and Maintenance of a Road Salt Storage and a Crew Staging Facility at Property Identified as Block 38, Lot 2 in the City of Port Republic

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Wessler and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**79-2015** Special Emergency for the Revaluation of Real Property

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Bonthron and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**80-2015** Award Contract to Professional Property Appraisers

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Bonthron and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**81-2015** Appointing Fund Commissioner

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Wessler and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**82-2015** Appointing Risk Management Consultant namely John D'Agostino Jr

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Wessler and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**83-2015** Refund to Block 26 Lot 9 2012

On the motion of Councilmember Wessler, seconded of Councilmember Riegel and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**84-2015 Budget Transfer 2015**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Capille and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**85-2015 Calendar for City Council Meetings**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Capille and carried.

**YES:** Bonthron, Bugdon, Riegel, Capille, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Boat ramp fees/Beach Badge Fee Update

*Councilwoman Bugdon to provide update in January*

ACIA Redevelopment Initiative

*Recommendation acknowledged and accepted as proposed*

Whispering Woods

*The developer has letter of credit. The letter of credit is renewed automatically. City should be on lookout for any letter stating that the bank may cancel, if the bank were to take that action. Council President Rummler stated that the storm drain grate is missing and should be replaced, as well as, pot holes filled. Ray Went, Esq. to contact developer regarding both issues.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Unregistered Vehicles

*Council to review ordinance and have suggestions for January council meeting.*

**PROCLAMATION:**

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded by Councilmember Riegel and carried.

**CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:**

Hearing nothing from the public, Councilmember Bugdon moved, seconded of Councilmember Wessler and carried to close the public portion.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

ES 12-2015 Authorization to Enter into Executive Session Regarding

1. Curbing Issue
2. Zoning

On the motion of Councilmember Wessler, seconded of Councilmember Capille and carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Bonthron and carried to adjourn at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC  
Municipal Clerk