

CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC
6:30 p.m. MAY 10, 2016
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: Doris Bugdon, John Bonthron, Nick Capille, Roger Giberson, Craig Rummler, Kevin Wessler, Donna Riegel

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:

MAYOR: Gary Giberson

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Kimberly A. Campellone

ATTORNEY: Ray Went, Esq.

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 FEBRUARY 23, 2016 BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

Corrections have been made.

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO APPROVE APRIL 12, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Corrections have been made.

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO APPROVE MAY 2016 BILL LIST

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO PAY ALL SIGNED BILLS

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Tax Assessor Bill Johnson Update for Revaluation

Revaluation is on schedule; 2nd and 3rd call back inspections have been completed.

RESOLUTIONS:

40-2016 Resolution to Amend 2016 Budget

Public Hearing

OPEN PUBLIC PORTION

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

CLOSE PUBLIC PORTION

Hearing none, on the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Bonthron and carried.

Adoption

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

42-2016 Governing Body Certification of the Annual Audit

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

43-2016 Authorizing the Budget Be Read By Title Only

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

BUDGET 2016 Adoption Only

Mayor congratulated all involved in preparing the budget for zero tax increase on both the local purpose tax and local school tax

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

44-2016 Accepting the resignation of Councilmember Rummler and authorizing the Appointment to fill vacancy.

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

YES: Capille, Rummler, Wessler, Giberson, Bugdon, Bonthron

NO: Riegel

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Three names submitted by Republican Committee:

Steve Allgeyer

John DiMario

Brad Hooper

FLOOR OPENED TO THREE CANDIDATES AND PUBLIC

Steve Allgeyer stated that he would like the opportunity to serve the community.

Councilwoman Bugdon read letter submitted by Brad Hooper stating his desire to serve.

FLOOR CLOSED TO THREE CANDIDATES AND PUBLIC

OPENED TO COUNCIL FOR CANDIDATE VOTE

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

YES: Capille, Rummler, Wessler, Riegel, Giberson, Bonthron

NO: Bugdon

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mayor presented to Council President Craig Rummler a plaque on behalf of Mayor and Council.

Police/Emergency Management:

The court's April report had 3 DWI and 45 total tickets. There was vandalism at the parking area near the tennis courts. The video shows someone doing a figure eight in the parking area at 3:15pm on Saturday. The video was put on a disc and provided to the NJSP. Mayor Giberson proposes getting a camera in the future to point at the putting green area and historic cemetery.

Administrative/Personnel:

Everything is going good. Council President Rummler thanked all the employees for their dedication to the City.

Public Works:

Goodwill has advised that several items have been deposited in the container that is not permissible. Report submitted by Public Works. Councilman Bonthron advised that there are some areas at the garage that need to be cleaned up. Councilman Giberson advised that Charles Auchter provided a quote of \$6500 for the brush pile.

Recreation:

Dane Colton has installed the dock. The beach replenishment has been completed. Three bids have been received for the roof on the pavilion with the lowest bid being \$4,782.00. Beach badges are now being sold. The April 30th, Community Clean-up has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

Fire and Ambulance:

Fire Department is working on the radios which need to be updated and the 5" hose. The roast beef dinner is May 21st.

Board of School Estimates:

It is expected that a superintendent be selected sometime soon.

Planning Board:

Mayor Giberson was reminded that he will need to find a replacement for Steve Allgeyer on the planning board. Planning board met on May 9th. Jim VanDaly appeared informally, his sign conforms with the Right to Farm Act. Mr. VanDaly was advised of issues with parking. Although Mike Fitzgerald was not at the meeting, the planning board would like to have the Port Store condemned.

Code Enforcement:

Continue to follow-up with 178 Clarks Landing Rd.

Construction:

For the month of April 16 total inspections were completed. The following permits were issued: 8 for alteration, 1 zoning, 2 CO resale for a total of 11 permits.

Senior Services:

Health aid items continue to be lent out. The shed used to store these items is currently full. Councilwoman Bugdon reported that she and Mayor Giberson presented to Gurine Isaksen the proclamation and cake for her 100th birthday. Additionally, she received a letter from Governor Christie, Congressman Lobiondo and the 9th district and should be receiving a greeting from the President.

Building:

A cut in was done for a new clean out which will allow for snaking from the outside in. Video Pipe Service will be doing the video service.

OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION

On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded by Councilmember Wessler and carried.

Bill Smallwood Clarks Landing Rd., advised that the insurance expires May 30th. Additionally, Mr. Smallwood discussed the preparation of Jersey Genesis on May 21st.

Mark Evans 107 Central Ave., expressed his concerns and condition of 144 Pomona Ave. Additionally, he stated that the poor drainage on the corner of Central and Pomona Ave is causing the water to back up onto his property.

Dave Ablett with FPD Inc., advised that they are under contract with the Port Store. They are interested in restoring the store and displaying as much history as possible. All other ideas are on hold as to not compete with the development across the street.

CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:

On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded by Councilmember Reigel and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter dated April 18, 2016 from NJDOT regarding Mill Street.

Acknowledged

Invitation to Eagle Scout ceremony for Vincent Matthew Rando on Saturday June 4, 2016 at 3:00 pm St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

Acknowledged

Letter dated May 2, 2016 from City Engineer Matt Doran, regarding Performance Guarantee for Block 34, Various Lots (Mike Turner)

Tabled

Letter dated May 2, 2016 from Atlantic County Dept. of Regional Planning & Development.
Acknowledged

Email dated April 28, 2016 from the 9th District regarding Clarks Landing Rd Project
Acknowledged

RESOLUTIONS:

45-2016 Authorizing the City of Port Republic Planning Board to conduct a preliminary investigation to establish a condemnation redevelopment area and to prepare a redevelopment plan

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

46-2015 Approving Discharge of Fireworks

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

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

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ORDINANCES:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Redevelopment

No further discussion

Gravel Site Redevelopment

Meeting to be set up with Richard Mroz, BPU Chairman

Generator

Councilman Giberson is obtaining information on generators

Adoption of Master Plan

Acknowledged

Proposal for Bog Trails

Councilman Giberson expressed concerned that the bike trails will grow into motorized vehicle use.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gravel Mine – Letter dated April 28, 2016 from Tom Annecharico
Councilman Giberson to reach out to Dave Goddard.

PROCLAMATION:

Proclaims the Month of May Craig Rummler month in Port Republic.

OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION

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

Nick Lampe, President of Port Republic Volunteer Fire Department acknowledged Council President Rummler and presented him with a fire department patch.

CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:

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

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded of Councilmember Bugdon and carried to adjourn at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC
Municipal Clerk