

CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC
6:00 p.m. JANUARY 2, 2014
REORGANIZATION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

Municipal Clerk Kimberly A. Campellone 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 Mainland Journal, a meeting notice setting for the time, date and locations of this meeting.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: John Bonthron, Doris Bugdon, Craig Rummeler, John Adams, Kevin Wessler

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Donna Riegel, Roger Giberson

MAYOR: Gary B. Giberson

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Kimberly A. Campellone

ATTORNEY: Kimberly Procopio, Esq.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE:

Gary B. Giberson (Mayor) Four year term 12/31/17

John Bonthron (Ward I) Three year term 12/31/16

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: John Bonthron, Doris Bugdon, Craig Rummeler, John Adams, Kevin Wessler

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Donna Riegel, Roger Giberson

MAYOR: Gary B. Giberson

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Nomination for Councilman Craig Rummeler

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

YES: Bonthron, Bugdon, Rummeler, Adams, Wessler, Mayor Giberson

NO:

ABSENT: Riegel, Giberson

ABSTAIN:

Oath Administered

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Council President Rummler appoints Councilman Roger Giberson

RESOLUTIONS

No. 1-2014 Approving Temporary Budget for 2014

No. 2-2014 Adoption of Cash Management Plan

No. 3-2014 Authorization for Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$100.00

No. 4-2014 Designation of Authorization of Signatures

No. 5-2014 Designation of Rate of Interest for Non-Payment of Taxes

No. 6-2014 Appointment of Chief Financial Officer

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

YES: Bonthron, Bugdon, Rummler, Adams, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Riegel, Giberson

ABSTAIN:

No. 7-2014 Annual Appointments

No. 8-2014 Appointment of City Solicitor

No. 9-2014 Appointment of Auditor

No. 10-2014 Appointment of Municipal Engineer

No. 11-2014 Appointment of Municipal Prosecutor

No. 12-2014 Appointment of Bond Counsel

No. 13-2014 Appointment of Conflict Municipal Attorney

No. 14-2014 Appointment of Public Defender

No. 15-2014 Appointment of Animal Control Officer

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

YES: Bonthron, Bugdon, Rummler, Adams, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Riegel, Giberson

ABSTAIN:

No. 16-2014 Establishing Rules of Order

No. 17-2014 Establishing Charges for Municipal Public Records

No. 18-2014 Designation of Official Newspaper

No. 19-2014 Designation of Secondary Newspaper

No. 20-2014 Designation of Shelter for Stray Animals

No. 21-2014 Authorization to Perform Aerial Applications for Mosquito Control

No. 22-2014 Authorizing Maintenance Contract with Edmunds & Assoc. Inc.

No. 23-2014 Authorizing Tax Assessor to Act as Agent and to File Petition(s) of Appeals to Increase Tax Assessment

No. 24-2014 Authorizing Tax Assessor to Act as Agent and to File Petition(s) of Appeals to Decrease Tax Assessment

No. 25-2014 Egg Harbor City Court Agreement

No. 26-2014 Municipal Alliance Application Resolution

No. 27-2014 Tonnage Grant Application Resolution

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

YES: Bonthron, Bugdon, Rummler, Adams, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Riegel, Giberson

ABSTAIN:

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator:

Doris Bugdon

Code Enforcement:

Kimberly Campellone

Planning Board:

Gail Haviland

Robert Haviland, 1st Alternate

Donna Riegel, City Council Liaison

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Fire & Ambulance:

Kevin Wessler

John Bonthron

Donna Riegel

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

Council President Rummler expressed his pleasure with the past year; specifically, the construction of the new city hall and the sale of gravel. Additionally, Kimberly Campellone has received her RMC and Gina Simon has received her CMFO licenses. In 2014, the City is still moving forward with South Jersey Gas. Additional residents are needed to progress further. The Comcast franchise is also moving forward. Council President Rummler thanked Councilwoman Bugdon for her hard work with the tree lighting, community day and senior services.

COMMENTS

Mayor Giberson is entering his 29th year and stated that he could not be prouder with the City's new elected official and the council's ability to work together. He further stated that the new city hall will be an historic monument for the City. He is proud of the new city hall and pound to be a mayor. Furthermore he is proud of the fact that the City has its school.

Councilman Wessler stated very happy with the new city hall and reminds everyone that Bob Haviland was part of that progress. He thanked Councilwomen Bugdon for her hard work and how the little things make the town so special.

Councilwoman Bugdon stated that it has been an excellent year and she looks forward to continuing her work in the community. Furthermore, she is very happy with the way council is frugal with its budget and expressed how mayor and council works wonderfully together.

Councilman Bonthron is happy to be back on council and glad to be part of the City and glad to be a resident of the City.

OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION

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

James Schroeder thanked mayor and council for loving the little town of Port Republic. He further stated that he continues to work diligently as the City prosecutor and he is looking forward to working in the new city hall.

CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:

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

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Wessler and carried to adjourn at 6.28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Kimberly A. Campellone
Municipal Clerk