

**CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC**  
**6:30pm August 12, 2014**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

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

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:** John Adams, Doris Bugdon, Roger Giberson, Donna Riegel, Craig Rummler, Kevin Wessler

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:** John Bonthron

**MAYOR:** Gary B. Giberson

**MUNICIPAL CLERK:** Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC

**ATTORNEY:** Kimberly Procopio, Esq.

Council President 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 Mainland Journal, a meeting notice setting for the time, date and locations of this meeting.

**MOTION TO APPROVE JULY 8, 2014 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

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

**YES:** Adams, Bugdon, Giberson, Rummler, Riegel, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bonthron

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE JULY 8, 2014 EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

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

**YES:** Adams, Bugdon, Giberson, Rummler, Riegel, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bonthron

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE AUGUST 2014 BILL LIST**

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

**YES:** Adams, Bugdon, Giberson, Riegel, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:** Bugdon 14-00320

**ABSENT:** Bonthron

**ABSTAIN:** Bugdon on 14-00340

Councilmember Adams questioned the bill from Mill Pond Inc; Councilmember Giberson explained that the bill is for the work preformed by Mike Turner. Councilmember Adams questioned if this was an alternate; Councilmember Giberson stated yes, it is for the well which includes new pump, new services, bladder tank, and installation. Mike Turner is the original contractor who put in all the wells and geothermal. It is a major cost savings to the city. It is not part of the original plan. The alternates are also the phone and data lines, stone bed supplying and grading, the furniture, security system lightning protection, and the cupola. Councilmember Adams questioned the 2014 budget of \$50,000 in the report that CFO Gina Simon supplied. Additionally, Councilmember Adams questioned the compactor repair bill of \$1,200 or \$1,300 for the compactor, asking if the repair is a temporary band-aid; Council President Rummler stated that the repair consisted of the pump and lines along with the additional welding work should hold for another 2 to 3 years; the new compactor for \$19,000 is no longer a consideration.

**MOTION TO PAY ALL SIGNED BILLS**

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

**YES:** Adams, Bugdon, Giberson, Riegel, Rummler, Wessler

**NO:** Bugdon 14-00320

**ABSENT:** Bonthron

**ABSTAIN:** Bugdon 14-00340

New Jersey State Police Sergeant Ambrosio gave the monthly report: There were 80 calls during the month of July. His concern is the response time for the NJSP to get to Port Republic, it can takes about 20 minutes; Sgt. Ambrosio stated that is unacceptable. He is requesting that the NJSP have a substation in the new building for the troopers which would help to reduce response time and allow the troopers the ability to do their reports. The room would need to be a locked room to house their computer system.

Presentation Gordon Dahl – Grant Writer; has over 30 years of experience with a successful track record. He would like to work with Port Republic in obtaining whatever grants they seem necessary. He does a performance based compensation. There are a number of pricing structures: fixed fee, time and materials, and contingent basis. Fixed fee is an agreed upon fixed price determined on a project by project basis. Time and materials pricing is \$40.00 per hour for grant writing and up to \$85.00 per hour for grant administration after a grant is awarded. Contingency based costs are fees that are only generated upon the success grant award. Upon a successful award of grants a management fee would be negotiated with the city and or would be placed in the project budget where permitted by the funding agency / City. Reports strategies and analyses would be performed on an agreed upon not to exceed price. This structure has proven

to provide both a high lever quality and service as well as cost certainty and value for the City. Mr. Dahl would like a list of issues from Mayor and City Council.

**Police/Emergency Management:**

Mayor Giberson introduced Sergeant Ambrosio of the New Jersey State Police. The NJSP would like to put a substation into the new city hall building. Mayor Giberson is working on getting the county to hire more sheriff officers. The radar unit has been installed for the sheriff department. The sheriffs have been in town writing tickets.

**Administrative/Personnel:**

The finance computer needs to be replaced.

**Public Works:**

Councilmember Giberson met with City Engineer, Matt Doran in regard to Blakes Lane. Matt will notify residents as to what is going to happen; a few trees will need to come down. Public Works crew is removing trees around city hall. Money is budgeted for landscaping. Hydroseeding needs to be done before a TCO is issued.

**Recreation:**

Councilmember Bugdon stated there was only one beach closing all summer. United Soccer will start August 15<sup>th</sup>, Monday – Saturday evenings until 9:00 pm. The clean team will be finished on August 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Fire and Ambulance:**

Nick Lampe gave City Clerk Campellone the information for the generator.

**Board of School Estimates:**

Mayor Giberson explained a Type 1 School district and how the Board of School Estimates is involved. Councilmember Bugdon asked if council could receive minutes from the school board meetings as received in previous years. Mayor Giberson will look into this. Superintendent McGinley resigned on July 31<sup>st</sup>, the school board will hire an interim, as well as, a kindergarten teacher, who retired, and a school nurse position is available.

**Planning Board:**

Planning Board met July 14th in regard to the Kurtz development.

**Code Enforcement:**

Code Enforcement Officer Campellone explained she sent a certified letter to the owner of Whispering woods heard nothing back.

**Construction:** During the month of July a total of 18 inspections were done by the Construction Office.

**Senior Services:**

Bugdon thanked council for the purchase of the new shed for the senior equipment.

**Finance:**

No update

**Building:**

Councilmember Giberson stated progress continues on the building and should be completed before the end of August. Paving still has to be done. The phone and data lines have been installed, still waiting for Verizon to install their lines for the court. Chairs are still needed for the council room for both the dais and public. A wireless alarm system from Front Point is planned to be installed. President Rummler has received two quotes to get the furniture moved into the new building and will need two weeks to schedule the move. Mayor Giberson is working on the mural and cannon placement. Invitations for the ribbon cutting will be going out within the week. Council is asked to submit their guest list for the invitation mailing. Mayor Giberson has photographer and videographer for the ribbon cutting at a cost of \$600 for both.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

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

Bill Smallwood, PRAF Chair, requested the lifeguards and clean team kids for help during the Shoreman race. Additionally, he asked that the soccer teams not use the fields on September 5th and 6th. Transfer station hours will need to be modified to accommodate the race; transfer station hours will be September 5th from 6 to 9 pm and September 6th from 3 to 6 pm. Road and lane closures will be in effect during the race.

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

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter from Oceana in opposing seismic airguns and offshore drilling.  
*No Action*

Letter from Township of Galloway in regard to Ordinance #1892-2014 public hearing.  
*Acknowledged*

**RESOLUTIONS:**

None

**ORDINANCES:**

**06-2014- Comcast Franchise Renewal**

*First Reading /Introduction*

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

**YES:** Adams, Bugdon, Giberson, Rummler, Riegel, Wessler

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bonthron

**ABSTAIN:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

South Jersey Gas – Council would like for South Jersey Gas to go door to door which is scheduled to take place on Friday, September 12, 2014. They will also set up a table for residents to come and get information.

**Old Garage Committee:**

No Update

**Fees for construction** (per Council President Rummler)

Mayor and Council discussed at length the fees for construction; Councilmember Adams feels that fees should not be increased due to the condition of the current economy. City Solicitor will have a draft ordinance prepared for the September City Council meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Beach closing – Mayor Giberson discussed the storm drain situation.

**PROCLAMATION:**

02-2014 Next Number

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

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

Nick Lampe, 486 Chestnut Neck Rd., advised that the fire department completed their compliance with OSHA; the fire department accumulated 4,440 hours of service in 2013 which includes fires, drills, fund raisers, etc. for all volunteers combined.

**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.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded by Councilmember Wessler to open executive session and carried.

ES 08-2014 Authorization to Enter into Executive Session Regarding

1. FAMS Debt collection
2. Old Landfill Bill
3. Gravel Mine
4. Professional Services
5. Trash Bid

On the motion to of Councilmember Wessler, seconded by Councilmember Bugdon to close Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Councilmember Riegel, seconded of Councilmember Bugdon and carried to adjourn at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC