

CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC
6:00 p.m. JANUARY 5, 2016
REORGANIZATION MEETING

Deputy City Clerk Gina Simon 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.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE :

Craig Rummler (Ward I) Three year term 12/31/18

Doris Bugdon (Ward II) Three year term 12/31/18

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Doris Bugdon, Roger Giberson, Craig Rummler, Kevin Wessler, Nick Capille (late)

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Donna Riegel, John Bonthron

MAYOR: Gary B. Giberson

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Gina Simon, Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY: Raymond Went, Esq.

NOMINATION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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

YES: Bugdon, Rummler, Wessler, Giberson

NO:

ABSENT: Bonthron, Riegel, Capille

ABSTAIN:

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Craig Rummler

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

YES: Bugdon, Rummler, Wessler, Giberson

NO:

ABSENT: Bonthron, Riegel, Capille

ABSTAIN:

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE FOR PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE:

Doris Bugdon

Consent Agenda: All matters listed under Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by this City Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTIONS

- No. 1-2016 Approving Temporary Budget for 2016
- No. 2-2016 Adoption of Cash Management Plan
- No. 3-2016 Authorization for Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$100.00
- No. 4-2016 Designation of Authorization of Signatures
- No. 5-2016 Designation of Rate of Interest for Non-Payment of Taxes
- No. 6-2016 Annual Appointments
- No. 7-2016 Appointment of Electrical Inspector Namely John Kelly
- No. 8-2016 Appointment of City Solicitor Namely Salvatore Perillo, Esq.
- No. 9-2016 Appointment of Auditor Namely Leon Costello, RMA
- No. 10-2016 Appointment of Municipal Engineer Namely Matthew Doran
- No. 11-2016 Appointment of Municipal Prosecutor Namely Chris Lipari, Esq.
- No. 12-2016 Appointment of Bond Counsel Namely Joel Fleishman, Esq.
- No. 13-2016 Appointment of Conflict Municipal Attorney Namely Michael Fitzgerald, Esq.
- No. 14-2016 Appointment of Public Defender Namely Frank Lentz, Esq.
- No. 15-2016 Appointment of Animal Control Officer namely George Garbaravage
- No. 16-2016 Establishing Rules of Order
- No. 17-2016 Establishing Charges for Municipal Public Records
- No. 18-2016 Designation of Official Newspaper AC Press
- No. 19-2016 Designation of Secondary Newspaper The Current
- No. 20-2016 Designation of Shelter for Stray Animals
- No. 21-2016 Authorization to Perform Aerial Applications for Mosquito Control
- No. 22-2016 Authorizing Maintenance Contract with Edmunds & Assoc. Inc.
- No. 23-2016 Authorizing Tax Assessor to Act as Agent and to File Petition(s) of Appeals to Increase Tax Assessment
- No. 24-2016 Authorizing Tax Assessor to Act as Agent and to File Petition(s) of Appeals to Decrease Tax Assessment
- No. 25-2016 Appointment of Court Bailiff Namely Gary Oliver
- No. 26-2016 Municipal Alliance Application Resolution
- No. 27-2016 Tonnage Grant Application Resolution
- No. 28-2016 Appointing Electrical Inspector, Subcode Namely Oliver Clifford
- No. 29-2016 Appointment of Tax Collector Namely Donna O'Brien
- No. 30-2016 Authorizing submission of a strategic plan for the Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

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

YES: Bugdon, Rummler, Wessler, Giberson

NO:

ABSENT: Bonthron, Riegel, Capille
ABSTAIN:

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator Doris Bugdon
Donna Riegel City Council Liaison 1 year apt.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

John Bonthron replacing Roger Giberson as Public Works Committee Chair

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

Council President Rummler stated that the City is doing well. The revaluation is expected to start in March. The City is in good shape financially and the gravel mine operations continues to move along. Ken Moore will be missed as the auditor. However, Nancy Sbrolla will be taking his place. The Mayor, through his hard efforts, has gotten the State Police in the city. Council President Rummler thanked Doris Bugdon for work in events such as Port Day, Veteran's Day Celebration and Tree Lighting.

COMMENTS

Mayor Giberson stated that it was a banner year for the City. He is excited that the County will be working on the Route 610 bridge. Additionally, he is working on a proposal for the gravel mine site that would be more profitable than the sale of the gravel. He also, thanked council for their hard work and commitment.

Councilman Giberson thanked the Mayor, Craig Rummler, and Doris Bugdon and the rest of council for doing a fantastic job and for making the city the great place it is and hopes it will remain the same for many years to come.

Councilman Capille stated that this was his first year and he is happy to be part of council and didn't realize how much there is to do in the small town.

Councilman Wessler stated that it was a good year. There is plenty of help so everything went nice and smooth.

Councilwoman Bugdon stated that in addition to mayor and council, she would like to thank the clean team kids and lifeguards. She has been fortunate over the years to have such great kids. Additionally, she has enjoyed working with council and working with the community, especially the seniors. Working within the community gives her great pleasure and thanked everyone for allowing her to do so.

OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION

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

CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:

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

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Wessler and carried to adjourn at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Kimberly A. Campellone
Municipal Clerk