

**CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC**  
**6:30 p.m. MARCH 8, 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, Nick Capille, Roger Giberson, Craig Rummler, Kevin Wessler, John Bonthron, 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 JANUARY 26, 2016 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE FEBRUARY 9, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE FEBRUARY 9, 2016 EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE MARCH 2016 BILL LIST**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO PAY ALL SIGNED BILLS**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**Tax Assessor Bill Johnson Update for Revaluation**

Mr. Johnson advised that 297 homes have been inspected to date. Once all the initial inspections are completed a letter will be sent out to those homes where an internal inspection still needs to be completed so that homeowners may schedule an appointment; evening and Saturday appointments will be available. The inspectors' ID badges and vehicle information has been posted on the City's website.

**ORDINANCE 02-2016 CAP RATE**

*First Reading/Introduction*

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**BUDGET 2016**

*First Reading/Introduction*

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**Police/Emergency Management:**

Mayor Giberson reported that the troopers have been using the facility and that he has been in contact with Matt Doran regarding beach replenishment.

**Administrative/Personnel:**

Everything is going smooth.

**Public Works:**

Councilman Bonthron reported that the lifeguard stand has been moved inside so that on days when they can't work outside they have something to do. They have been working on the vehicles and just completed a fire inspection by the State. There are additional odds and ends being addressed.

**Recreation:**

No report.

**Fire and Ambulance:**

Knox Box registration is complete the next step is to order the boxes. The fire department is pricing out the 5" hose. Blood borne pathogens and harassment training was just completed.

**Board of School Estimates:**

Meeting March 22<sup>nd</sup> to finalize their budget.

**Planning Board:**

No Report

**Code Enforcement:**

The following issues are being addressed: 201 Clarks Landing Rd. regarding gutter and other issues, 300 Chestnut Neck Rd regarding hanging wires and 57 Pomona Ave has several broken windows. Resident of 385 English Creek Road has responded to prior letter sent.

**Construction:**

A total of 19 inspections were completed; the following permits were issued: 5 for alterations, 1 fence, 1 zoning for a total of 7.

**Senior Services:**

No Report

**Building:**

No Report

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

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

Bill Smallwood, 122 Clarks Landing Rd, the race this year is May 21<sup>st</sup> which is the same day as the fire department dinner. He asked that a message board be in place that would read "Expect delays Saturday morning" as to not interfere with the dinner. A new map is in place for the kids' race which will keep them off Pomona Rd. Tilton Fitness will be taking over the kids' portion of the race. Councilman Wessler expressed his concern that radios would not be available at the bridge to control traffic. Mr. Smallwood stated that he would confirm with the Sheriff's department.

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

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Award from Statewide Insurance for the City's commitment to safety.  
*Acknowledged*

Letter dated February 19, 2016 from Atlantic County Mosquito Control  
*Acknowledged*

Letter dated February 22, 2016 from Carmela Pogranicy regarding the Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.  
*Councilman Giberson offered to donate through Red Wing Campground on behalf of the city.*

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**36-2016 Adopting Hazard Mitigation Plan**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**37-2016 Shared Service Agreement with ACIA**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**38-2016 Close Municipal Alliance Bank Account**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**39-2016 Close Clean Communities Bank Account**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**ORDINANCES:**

**03-2016 Beach Fees**

*(First Reading Intro)*

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

**04-2016 Salary Ordinance**

*(First Reading /Intro)*

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Bugdon

**ABSTAIN:**

Council President Rummler noted that the Cub Scout pack 21 will be dissolved effective March 21<sup>st</sup> due to lack of participation.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Proposal from James Rutala

*Tabled*

**Redevelopment (Mayor Giberson)**

*The professionals chosen by the ACIA met to discuss the project. It was discussed that keeping the post office is a priority; additional ideas were a general store, maybe a welcome area to the city and park.*

**Solar Panels (Mayor Giberson)**

*The NJDEP has two stipulations for the area regarding a solar field; one is and brownfield and the other a landfill. Mayor Giberson will be composing a letter to Commissioner Bob Martin for assistance.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PROCLAMATION:**

Mayor Giberson took a moment to remember Nancy Reagan.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

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

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

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded of Councilmember Bonthron and carried to adjourn at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC  
Municipal Clerk