

CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC
6:30 p.m. January 8, 2019
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 Wessler, seconded by Councilmember Bugdon and carried to close the workshop portion of the meeting.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Steven Allgeyer, Doris Bugdon, Roger Giberson, Stanley Kozlowski, Thomas Kurtz, Donna Riegel, Kevin Wessler

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:

MAYOR: Gary Giberson

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC

ATTORNEY: Ray Went, Esq.

Council President Wessler 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 DECEMBER 11, 2018 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

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

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO APPROVE DECEMBER 11, 2018 EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES:

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

YES: Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN: Allgeyer

MOTION TO APPROVE JANUARY 2019 BILL LIST

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

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO PAY ALL SIGNED BILLS

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

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Emergency Management:

Mayor Giberson reported everything running smooth, he will have more information regarding the court at the next city council meeting. Mayor Giberson is writing letters to several politicians.

Administrative/Personnel:

No report

Public Works:

Councilmember Wessler was pleased with Public Works employee Dan Giberson regarding the dam, he took very good care of it during Jimmy's vacation. The salt dog parts are in to repair it.

Recreation:

Councilmember Bugdon questioned how to go about hiring life guards for this year. She would like City Council's opinion on this issue. Councilman Wessler would like the life guards to be paid.

Fire and Ambulance:

Councilman Wessler stated that the Pole Barn is up at the fire house, doors are on, waiting on the concrete. Councilman Wessler brought up that the fire department may have to purchase a new fire truck. Conversation ensued regarding the next step. Giberson questioned what their regulations for a new truck is, and if this is a serious inquiry. Councilman Wessler stated it is a recommendation. Councilman Giberson stated if it is serious this would have to be a bond and to plan for the future.

Board of School Estimates:

Mayor Giberson reported the administrator of the Port School scheduled the school for construction and rehabbing for the three months that the school is closed. The school superintendent is getting along with the facility and the students.

Planning Board:

No report.

Code Enforcement/Construction:

During the Month of December, a total of 5 inspections were done by the Construction Office: Alterations (5) New (0) Addition (0) Zoning Permits (2) CO Inspections (1)
Total of (8)

Councilmember Bugdon reported that Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Cain needs to address the situation on Chestnut Neck Road regarding the trash that is all over the property.

Senior Services:

Councilwoman Bugdon reported she had 5 requests for physical aids. She stated what a wonderful program this is for the residents.

Building:

Councilman Giberson reported that they are still waiting on the architect to return their call. The maintenance is every week, regarding the septic situation. Councilman Giberson suggested going through the builder then Kisby Mechanical.

OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION

On the motion of Councilmember Allgeyer seconded by Councilmember Riegel and carried to open public portion.

Resident Bob Haviland mentioned the stream that comes through the Barille property a pipe was clogged and several dams were clogged, he spoke with a gentleman from the Mosquito Control Commission and they had the whole stream cleaned out and unclogged the dams, he would like for a thank you to go out to Dennis Levinson along with the Mosquito Control Commission.

At the Gravel Pit near the scale building there is a portion of the ground that is gullied out and should be looked at by the city engineer, also the fence that is up around the Gravel Pit he believes Ole Hansen should be required to remove that fence since they are done the mining.

CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

40-2019 A Resolution Granting a Raffle License (Absecon Saltwater Sportsmen)
On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded of Councilmember Bugdon and carried.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

41-2019 Agreement with Cape Atlantic Conservation District interlocal Agreement between Cape Atlantic Soil Conservation District and the City of Port Republic
On the motion of Councilmember Allgeyer seconded of Councilmember Giberson and carried.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

ORDINANCES:

01-2019 Pinelands Ordinance

First Reading/Introduction

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

Councilman Kozlowski would like an explanation on the ordinance, Councilmember Giberson explained the city has been holding this for a long time, the City met with the Pinelands Commission last year to establish a negotiation to close the old landfill. Even after closure the wells are monitored forever there is no financial gain for the city.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

02-2019 LOSAP

First Reading/Introduction

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

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

03-2019 Ordinance to Change Age for Fire Department 16 Junior Firefighter and 18 Full Member No Limit Age Maximum
First Reading/Introduction

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

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Water Contamination Port Beach Closures

Councilman Kozlowski reported on the water contamination meeting that is ongoing with the State and the County. A dye test was done at City Hall and the Port School the results came back negative, awaiting to hear if there will be any grant money available to residents who have an issue with their septic. The D.E.P. is still testing the streams and the creek for contamination.

The committee met with the USDA on January 4th, 2019 regarding the geese issue on Nacote Creek and surrounding area, they will assist the town for a fee to conduct a reproductive control program and a capture program during June and July. The cost for the reproductive program is \$1,564.00 and for the capture program is \$5,922.00. Councilman Kozlowski is requesting the Council to approve these programs.

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Allgeyer and carried to implement the USDA program.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson Kozlowski, Kurtz, Riegel, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Councilwoman Riegel stated that there are funds available to remove the sediment from the bottom of Nacote Creek. During the Christie Administration there was a multi-year sediment removal program. Councilwoman Riegel is questioning if the City could look into this. The Department of Transportation is the department where this originated.

Councilwoman Riegel would like to implement an ordinance for holding tanks when someone needs to get a tank they show that they have a pumping contract for a year. She mentioned that the County knows where the holding tanks are. City Solicitor Ray Went will write something up.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Giberson stated be kind to one another.

OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION

On the motion of Councilmember Allgeyer seconded by Councilmember Kozlowski and carried.

John Yochim stated that the fire department is having issues with the fire house neighbor, his questions is how long do we have to wait for this person to get a surveyor? Councilman Giberson questioned why wait for anything it is on your property. John will contact Matt Doran on this issue.

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ES 1-2018 Authorization to Enter into Executive Session Regarding

1. N/A

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon seconded of Council Giberson and carried to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC Municipal Clerk