

**CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC**  
**6:30 p.m. JULY 9, 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 Riegel and carried to close the workshop portion of the meeting.

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

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:** Roger Giberson

**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 JUNE 11, 2019 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES:**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE JULY 2019 BILL LIST**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION TO PAY ALL SIGNED BILLS**

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Police/Emergency Management:**

Mayor Giberson requested that Councilmember Kozlowski give a report on the goings on for Emergency Management. Councilman Kozlowski stated that at the last meeting they are requesting four members for the state e-team as contact members. They are as follows; Mayor Giberson, Council President Wessler, Councilmember Kozlowski and City Clerk Kimberly Campellone. The Active Shooter Drill that was performed last night will fulfill our requirement.

### **Administrative/Personnel:**

Councilman Kozlowski stated that the Personnel Committee will be sorting through a few minor gaps in the personnel manual.

### **Public Works:**

Council President Wessler reported that new tires were purchased for the grater, everything is moving along.

### **Recreation:**

Councilwoman Bugdon stated that Community Day was a tremendous success. All the organizations sold out. I would like to give a great big thank you to Councilwoman Donna Riegel for allowing former Councilman John Bonthron to utilize her dock for the two events held the same day, the Jersey Genesis and Community Day. She would also like to thank John Bonthron for his volunteerism, he was here last year and this year to keep an eye on the kayakers and boaters, we had no problems. Billy stated next year the race will be on May 30<sup>th</sup>. She would really like to thank Public Works employee Danny Giberson for stepping up to the plate, with Jimmy being out sick during this race, the Clean Team kids did a great job cleaning up the park after Community Day. The next day you would never have known there was a large amount of people the night before. Councilwoman Bugdon stated she knows about the nasty comments regarding her requesting the ice cream truck to leave. We had too many non-profit organizations selling different goodies. Council President Wessler backs Councilwoman Bugdon on what she had to do regarding the ice cream truck vendor. Councilwoman Bugdon gave a huge thank you to Councilman Tom Kurtz and his wife for running the games for the kids.

### **Fire and Ambulance:**

Council President Wessler stated that they had an active shooter drill at the Port Republic Elementary School. In attendance were the Galloway Ambulance Squad, Port Republic Volunteer Fire Department along with the Galloway Police Department. This year Council President Wessler is requesting for the city to purchase Active Threat Packs at \$110.00, they would like 8. The other item is a level three vest, that is what is needed to go into a active shooter scene, for next year's budget 8 @ 350.00 to 400.00. Looking for approval for the \$1000.00 for the 8 active threat packs. Councilmember Allgeyer questioned if there is any grant money available for this, Council President Wessler stated there is no available grant money for these purchases. Mayor Giberson applauded Council President Wessler for taking the incentive with this drill. Resident

Mike Turner questioned is there a drill for preventive measures. Council President Wessler stated this drill was for all units to be on the same page.

On the motion of Councilmember Allgeyer, seconded of Councilmember Bugdon and carried to approve \$1000.00 for the Active Threat Packs.

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**Board of School Estimates:**

Mayor Giberson stated making progress he is waiting on Councilmember Giberson for his opinion on the roof repair.

**Planning Board:**

Councilmember Riegel stated no meeting, however she does see the estimate from the city engineer for the updated zoning maps that will be discussed under new business tonight.

**Code Enforcement/Construction:**

During the Month of June, a total of 5 inspections were done by the Construction Office: Alterations (4) Demos (0) New (0) Addition (0) Zoning Permits (3) CO Inspections for Resale (2) Total of (9)

**Senior Services/Clean Communities:**

Councilmember Bugdon stated she is running out of room in the shed for senior equipment. She would like to have the old beach shed rehabbed and anything that is in there removed. Put the walkers, commodes, shower benches etc., in that shed and the more expensive equipment in the newer shed. Clean Team kids are working out great. One of the life guards will be leaving in August he will be attending the Citadel. Another one is leaving and attending ACCC.

**Building:**

No Report

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Resolution from Longport in support of Senate Bill No. 3745 that provides for an excused absence for public school students who participate in a musical performance at a military funeral including playing "Taps" *Council will approve a resolution at the August meeting.*

Letter from Atlantic City Electric – Soil Borings *Clerk Campellone stated it was a notification*

Letter from County Executive Dennis Levinson - All way stop sign County Rt. 575 and Mill street. *Acknowledged*

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**60-2019** Resolution Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the Budget of the City of Port Republic Pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159, P.L. 1948) Regarding Alcohol Education

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

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Giberson

**ABSTAIN:**

**ORDINANCES:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Whispering Woods City/County

Attorney Ray Went explained the city called the letter of credit along with the county on Whispering Woods Development. He spoke with county engineer Tony Pagano regarding the paving that needs to be done and instead of the county going out to bid and the city going out to bid the suggestion was for the city to go out to bid and the county will contribute to their portion.

Atlantic City Electric Poles (Meeting in September)

*Acknowledged*

USDA-APHIS- Wildlife Services-Follow up

*Everything went well with USDA's, they removed 57 Canadian geese and 10 domestic geese. Having the homeowner's permission was very helpful. The city should continue harassing the geese as they will start returning around the end of summer. Examples chasing, dogs, noise etc.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Stickers for Transfer Station (Samples)

*Council President Wessler stated the stickers will go on the back of resident's rear view mirror. One sticker per house hold, make it so that if people sell their cars, they have to scrape it off and return it for a new one. Otherwise Council President Wessler believes it should be \$300.00 to \$400.00 for a new sticker. He would like City Council to vote on this so it is in the minutes. The original one is free if you loose the sticker it will cost \$300.00 to \$400.00. Councilmember Allgeyer feels it is to steep of a charge.*

*Councilmember Riegel feels \$300.00 is a fair price. Councilmember Kozlowski questioned if there is a problem with nonresidents utilizing the transfer station. Council President Wessler stated that they have seen nonresidents coming into the transfer station. Lengthy discussion ensued, there will be a resolution or ordinance on for the next meeting in August.*

Update of Zoning Maps

*Next year's budget 2020. Upside of \$2,800.00*

Purchase picnic tables for under pavilion

*Tabled until next year's budget*

*Mike Turner questioned if the boy scouts could build picnic tables and donate.*

*Councilwoman Bugdon stated that there is no room for Picnic tables.*

Oyster Beds

*No city owned property on the Mullica.*

Street Lighting Holly Creek

*Three street lights one in the beginning one at the middle and one at the end of the cul de sac. Waiting on Matt Doran's determination of three or four street lights.*

*On the motion of Councilmember Allgeyer second of Councilmember Riegel. All in favor.*

Atlantic County 2020 Census Complete Count Committee

*Acknowledged*

Aerator for Nacote Creek Beach Area

*Mayor & City Council decided to look into this further.*

*Councilwoman Bugdon donated the money from the historical society to open a Historical Preservation Trust Account. Councilmember Riegel is concerned about historic homes being torn down. She would like council to consider a fee of \$2500.00 for the demolition fee, that money would go into the Historical Preservation Trust Account. Councilmember Allgeyer stated he believes it is an invasion of personal property. Mayor Giberson suggested restoring the historical area.*

*On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Riegel and carried to open a Historical Preservation Trust Account.*

*Email from Matt Doran regarding Holly Creek. City Council decided to temporarily suspend calling the Bond in order to give the Turner's the option to complete the work.*

*Following is an estimate of the work needed to be completed:*

*Add Holly Creek road street sign, \$350.00 Top soil and seed basin side slopes, rack basin bottoms \$4,000.00, Install Street lights \$4000.00 Replace inlet steel back plates \$1,000.00 General Cleanup of the R.O.W \$1,000.00.*

*Mayor and City Council decided to have a special meeting on July 16, 2019 at 6:00 pm. To pass a resolution for the Turners (Holly Creek) Authorizing reduction of performance guaranty for Holly Creek.*

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

*Be kind and honor the flag.*

**OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION**

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

*Joe Martin stated his wife sent an email requesting during the summer months a new speed sign be placed on Mill Street near the beach entrance. Mayor and Council will look into moving a solar speed limit sign.*

*Bill Smallwood would like to thank mayor and council for allowing the race it was a perfect day. And to mention what a great job his son Billy did running the kids race. Next year will be the 25<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of doing the race, it will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. If the city would like PRAF will purchase the picnic tables. The rails on the back stop needs to be replaced.*

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

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ES 7-2019** Authorization to Enter into Executive Session Regarding

1. Verizon
2. Trash Bid/Interlocal Agreement

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Councilmember Allgeyer, seconded of Councilmember Kozlowski and carried to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC Municipal Clerk