

CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC
6:00 p.m. JULY 16, 2019
SPECIAL 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, Stanley Kozlowski, Thomas Kurtz, Donna Riegel, Kevin Wessler

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Roger Giberson

MAYOR: Gary B. Giberson

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC

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

RESOLUTION:

61-2019 Resolution Authorizing Reduction of Performance Guarantee for Holly Creek Subdivision

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

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

NO:

ABSENT: Giberson

ABSTAIN:

Councilmember Riegel questioned if City Engineer Matt Doran had inspected the roadway after a rainfall to see if there was standing water. Clerk Campellone stated that the Engineer did inspect after a rainfall, he had called her. Councilmember Riegel was confused as to why the cost of the actual street lights were not included in the cost estimate provided by City Engineer Matt Doran. Councilmember Wessler explained that the recommended reduction amount from Engineer Doran is well over the actual amount of the cost estimate and the cost of the work that is still yet to be completed. Steven Turner, representing Holly Creek Subdivision, stated that he was under the impression that the City would request the street lights through Atlantic City Electric and they would then write a check themselves directly to the electric company. Council President Wessler told him he was correct. Steven Turner asked if the check had to be written from Holly Creek, LLC or is it could be personal. Council President Wessler said it did not matter to him, as long as the check cleared. Council President Wessler stated

that if he wanted the bond to be released and to replace it with a cash, he would need to submit payment in the amount of \$43,759.12. The amount was configured by adding \$27,573.12 (Engineer Doran's recommendation), \$12,420.00 (cost estimate), \$3,766.00 (additional amount for street lights). Steven Turner mentioned that they already have \$12,684.00 on file for escrow. Clerk Campellone stated that this money is to pay the professionals. Council President Wessler explained that after the professionals are paid, he will receive a refund of the money left in the account, but he cannot say how much that will be at this time without knowing what bills are going to be coming in from the professionals. Council decided to call Attorney Ray Went to make sure that what they were doing was ok with him. Attorney Went tried to contact Engineer Doran so everyone could discuss the situation together. Unfortunately, Engineer Doran was unavailable. Discussion ensued via a conference call with Attorney Ray Went. Council President Wessler told Attorney Went that Council would be accepting a check from the developer this evening in the amount of \$35,759.12 in order to release the Letter of Credit. Council will vote on the Resolution, subject to the check clearing. If it does not, we will not sign the Resolution that the bank needs. Steven Turner submitted a check from Robert and Sandra Turner in the amount of \$35,759.12.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Riegel, seconded of Councilmember Allgeyer and carried to adjourn at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Kimberly A. Campellone RMC
Municipal Clerk