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CITY COUNCIL

JANUARY 15, 2015

WORK & REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Council President, Chris Seher at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE – Mayor

INVOCATION – Rev. Barry Ross, World of Life Christian Fellowship, Cologne

STATEMENT OF SUNSHINE LAW - Chris

NOTIFICATION OF MEETING – Chris

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Camp, Horton, Ring Vizthum, Seher

ABSENT: Cain, Phillips

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Armstrong; Tim Maguire, Jessica Thompson, Carie Crone

REPORTS

Mayor – the Atlantic County Improvement Authority as prepared an economic development plan with an emphasis on attracting new business industry. The consultant will begin next week and we will have representatives attend from Absecon.

He then read a proclamation for the 50th Anniversary of Holy Spirit High School which will be presented at the celebration on Jan. 28th.

Jim – Public Safety – his first meeting will be 2/3 at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. The four head of each dept. will be in attendance: Police, Fire, Ambulance Squad & Communications.

Don – Finance – met tonight and discussed the salaries of the non-union employees and it will be brought up at the next council meeting on 2/5. The next finance meeting will be 2/19 at 6 p.m.

Mike – Community Affairs – congratulated Rev. Cobb from the Presbyterian Church who is retiring after many years here in Absecon. Knights of Columbus is having a blood drive Monday, Jan. 26 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. Spoke on Res. #33 to allow the Lions Club to have two coin drops they do every year and Res. #34 for HSHS Mother's Guild to have a raffle. His first meeting is 2/5 at 5:00 p.m.

Kim – Economic Development – her first meeting will be 2/5 at 6:30 p.m.

Jessica – commented on the other resolutions for tonight. First budget meeting is 2/12 @ 6 p.m.

Clerk - reports

Tax - \$565,219.39

Construction - \$7,636 \$7,164

Court - \$7665.59

Clerk - \$40,923.00

Chris – elaborated on the baseball field improvements. He then called up the current Police Chief Dave Risley. This will be his last meeting before his retirement on 2/1. He thanked him on behalf of the Council and City for his great service to the city.

Dave – He thanked everyone and it was a pleasure working with all of them and we are in good hands with Lt. DeRitis taking over and it should be a smooth transition. Thanks for allowing him to serve as Chief.

Chris – it's been brought to his attention that on Shore Rd. heading north as you get to Faunce Landing Road there have been a couple of accidents and people have hit poles and service has gone out for a long period of time and someone eventually get killed. The suggestion of putting guard rails up came up.

Dave – explained what has been looked into at that location. He feels it needs a light and we might have a chance at getting one, but it's a State road and they have to approve something. He will do more research with Jim into this.

PUBLIC PORTION

Motion to open to the public – Councilwoman Horton – second – Councilman Ring

All were in favor. No public comments.

Motion to close – Councilman Vizthum – second – Councilman Ring

All were in favor.

REGULAR MEETING

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.

- 30 Authorizing a contract with Remington, Vernick & Walberg, City Engineers, to provide professional services for upgrades to the Pitney Park Baseball Field Improvements – Phase I.
- 31 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Ed & Gene's King Tire, LLC for the provision of Fleet Maintenance Services.
- 32 Authorizing a refund of an overpayment of sewer fees on the property located at 412 Osage Lane (Block 138, Lot 9).
- 33 Permitting a Charitable Organization, to solicit funds, namely the Absecon Lions Club.
- 34 Granting a Raffle License to the Holy Spirit Mothers Guild.

Motion to move consent agenda – Councilman Camp – second – Councilwoman Horton
ROLL CALL: Camp, yes; Horton, yes; Ring, yes; Vizthum, yes; Seher, yes

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST - \$ 1,580,634.67

Motion to approve – Councilman Ring – second – Councilwoman Horton
ROLL CALL: Camp, yes; Horton, yes, abstain on A0005; Ring, yes, abstain on B0075, C0201, F0095 and N0025; Vizthum, yes; Seher, yes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes – 12/18/2014
Closed Session as to form and content only – 12/18/2014
Re-Organization Meeting Minutes – 1/5/15

Motion to approve – Councilman Ring – second – Councilwoman Horton
ROLL CALL: Camp, yes; Horton, yes; Ring, yes; Vizthum, yes; Seher, yes

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn – Councilman Camp – second – Councilman Ring
All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,


Carie A. Crone, City Clerk

Approved: 2-5-15