Regular Monthly Meeting of the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City Thursday, July 25, 2019 7:30 P.M. 313 Monmouth Street

Minutes

- 1. <u>Call Meeting to Order</u>: By Mayor Spencer at 7:00pm
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:
- **Roll Call**: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer in attendance. Berglund excused.
- 4. Open Public Meetings Act Notice: This meeting is being held in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, otherwise known as the "Sunshine Law." It has been legally noticed in accordance with the law and copies have been given to those requesting the same.
- 5. <u>Proclamation(s)</u>: Jack Marcellus, Gino Gambone
- 6. Remediation / Redevelopment Construction Progress Report: Jeff Dey gave a monthly report.
- 7. <u>Minutes:</u> June 3, 2019 Work Session with Executive, June 27, 2019 Regular Meeting and July 8, 2019 Special Work Session with Executive.

Motion by Keating, 2nd by Johnson to approve. All in Favor with exception of Parry who abstained.

Public Comment for Resolutions Only: (Mayor to Open and Close After Public Comment)

8. Resolutions:

Pat Heiser – 917 Market Street – Questioned R159 – What is the problem with the property at Essex Street. Consent Agenda Resolutions R156 through R162

- R156 Resolution Awarding a Contract to Triad Associates for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services SFY-2020- Infrastructure Improvements Along Sussex Street
- R157 Resolution Authorizing Disposal of City-Owned Equipment (Tax Assessor Screen)
- R158 Resolution to Correct Billing Charges on Utility Records
- R159 Resolution Authorizing the City of Gloucester City Planning Board to Conduct a Preliminary Investigation to Establish a Condemnation Redevelopment area within the City of Gloucester City, Camden County
- R160 Resolution Authorizing Adjustments on the Planning and Zoning Board Escrow Account
- R161 Resolution Authorizing In Rem Foreclosure of Tax Sale Certificates Held by the City of Gloucester City
- R162 Resolution Designating Handicap Parking Spaces: Adding 208 N. Filmore and 418 Market St.

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Baus to approve. All in Favor.

Individual Resolutions:

R163 Authorizing a One Hundred and Eighty Days Exclusive Negotiation Agreement. Subject to Certain Terms and Conditions For Block 110, Lots 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18 and 19 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Gloucester City, by and Between the City of Gloucester City, SouthPort Renewal, L.L.C. and WMR Energy Ventures, L.L.C.

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Baus to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer voting in the affirmative.

R164 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV 5W4 with Emergency Services Package for the Gloucester City Fire Department

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Baus to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer voting in the affirmative.

R165 Resolution Supporting Participation in the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Johnson to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer voting in the affirmative.

R166 Requesting the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, Certain Police Department Officials and Others Take Immediate Action to Ameliorate and Abate the Illicit and Noxious Noise Violations Impacting the Right to Peaceful Enjoyment of Property and Quality of Life of the Residents of the City of Gloucester City Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Baus to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer voting in the affirmative.

9. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING & PUBLIC HEARING THIS EVENING

O-12 An Ordinance Amending the Ordinance Regulating the Salaries of the Employees of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey (Non Rep Salaries)

Motion By: Hutchinson Second By: Johnson

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Parry and Mayor Spencer all in Favor. Keating voted No.

ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING THIS EVENING, WITH 2ND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD AUGUST 22, 2019, 7:30 PM, 313 MONMOUTH ST.

O-13 An Ordinance Amending the Ordinance Regulating the Salaries of the Employees of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey (Chief of Police)

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Baus to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Parry and Mayor Spencer all in Favor. Keating voted No.

10. Old Business/New Business:

a) Bills Paid from June 28 to July 17, 2019

\$ 552,385.63

Bills Approved July 25, 2019

\$ 504,335.03

Total amount being approved:

\$1,056,720.66

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Baus to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer voting in the affirmative.

11. Communications:

a) From Joseph Marlin- Epiphany Church requesting Block Party on August 11, 2019 from 4-8pm on Sussex Street between Somerset & Monmouth.

Approved contingent upon Fire Inspection and receipt of certificate of liability insurance.

12. Open Public Forum on any topic:

The Governing Body has approved the following rules governing the procedures of the Open (General) Public Forum:

- Any citizen or taxpayer wishing to address the Governing Body may do so after approaching the rail, stating his or her name and address and being recognized by the chair. Said citizen or taxpayer will then be permitted to address the Governing Body for five minutes. After all persons wishing to address the Governing Body have had the opportunity, persons may approach the rail for a second and final five-minute interval during this session. Our attorneys have advised us that we cannot prevent you from making remarks about our employees. They have requested that we advise you that our employees are not Public Officials and you are not immune from civil actions they may bring as a result of your remarks.
- *John Hill 220 N. Broadway concern with Proprietor's Park & Freedom Pier with homeless, missing benches and used needles found in the Park.
- *Pat Heiser 917 Market Street What is the status of the old Train Station. Mayor Spencer said he cannot comment at this time. Pat Heiser asked if she can put poop scoopers out around town? Mayor Spencer would like to see them first. Mrs. Heiser also stated people are stopping and leaving large amounts of trash in the Monmouth Street trash cans leaving them full.
- *Amber Williams 114 Westminster Question R163 and what it will do for the city and asked the City of they could put a dog park? Mayor Spencer stated they are looking into it.
- *Jesse Torres 233 Bergen Street Questioned the old O'Hara's property and vacant properties in the area.
- *Pat Heiser 917 Market Street Stated Market Street in front of her home is sinking and the truck traffic is loud. Mayor Spencer said it's a county road.
- *Dayle Baile 52 Baynes Ave. Concern with King Street stop sign and oncoming traffic does not stop by the middle school. Mayor Spencer will look into it.

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:36pm

ATTEST:

VANESSA L. PARENT, CITY CLERK