

**MINUTES CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP**  
**NEW JERSEY**

**A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY, ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2013 AT 7:11 PM.**

1) ROLL CALL		PRESENT	ABSENT
Hon. Hassan Abdul-Rasheed	(West Ward)	<u>Arrived@7:32pm</u>	_____
Hon. Elroy A. Corbitt	(At-Large)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Tency A. Eason	(North Ward)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. April Gaunt-Butler	(At-Large)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Linda Jones-Bell	(East Ward)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Edward B. Marable Jr.	(South Ward)	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Donna K. Williams	(At-Large)	_____X_____	_____

**ALSO PRESENT**

Madeline F. Smith, Deputy Municipal Clerk	_____X_____	_____
Hon. Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Mayor	_____	_____X_____
Marty Mayes, Acting Business Administrator	_____X_____	_____
Dan S. Smith, City Attorney	_____X_____	_____
Keith Harvest, Legislative Research Officer	_____X_____	_____
Margarette Homere, Clerk's Office	_____X_____	_____

**PLEASE STAND FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall sign one (1) book. There will be two (2) columns in the book, one (1) for Agenda Items and one (1) for General Issues. Each person signing the book will check Agenda Items or General Issues. If they check only Agenda Items or General Issues, they will be allowed to speak for five (5) minutes. If they check General Issues and Agenda Items, they will be allowed to speak for ten (10) minutes.

- 2) The Municipal Clerk announces that the requirement of N.J. S.A. 10:4-9 et. Seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the *Star Ledger* and published in the *Record-Transcript* on July 18, 2013, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Council President Williams requested a motion to Suspend the Rules and change the order of the Agenda because Dieter Lerch was not present for Matters of Discussion. Also noted for the record, Councilman Marable is not present due to a family emergency.

**Motion:** Jones-Bell      **VOICE VOTE ALL IN FAVOR**      **Second:** Eason

**4) RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

The resolutions and ordinances to be presented at tonight's meeting are listed on the attached Regular Meeting Agenda. If any Council Member wishes to discuss any resolution or ordinance, it may be discussed at this time.

**Council President Williams recognized discussion comments from the following Council Members.**

**Councilwoman Eason:**

- **Resolution 373-2013:** Would like the following removed –
  - Pg.5 for \$85.00, \$48.46, \$4.53, \$4.53, \$4.53 - Stating the Council should pay for their own coffee pot not the residents.
  - Pg.6 for \$1,115, \$192.75 – Made inquiry into whether TaQuisha Knight was handling Tax Collection responsibilities.
  - Pg.7 for \$2,145, \$5,896, \$2,332 – Is Joe Wenzel on the attorney conflict list?
  - Pg.7 & Pg.9 for \$311.82: Remove, stating City Hall has Media Personnel.
  - Pg.10 for \$409.34 - Carwash charges removal questioning existence of contract.
  - Pg.15 – Motor Fuel: \$40, \$66, \$23.95, \$409.33. Need receipts.
  - Pg.17 – Recreation charges removed due to lack of explanation: \$596, \$1,750, \$900, \$900, \$100, \$225, \$500, \$77.67, \$66.65, \$102.63,
  - Pg. 17 – \$409.33: Carwash charges removal questioning existence of contract. Need contract and receipts.
  - Pg.20 - \$106.98: Is that coming out of the Grant?
  - Pg.23 – Recreation: Recommend to cancel Movie Tickets for \$6,750 and \$20. Requesting a Purchase Order not appears on Bill List again.
- **Resolution 351-2013:** Is the amount substantial for the year?
- **Resolution 350-2013:** How does the fire department ensure the vehicles are exclusively used by the Fire Department?
- **Resolution 362-2013:** Inquiry into monitoring of usage and compliance.

**Councilman Corbitt:**

- **Resolution 374-2013:** When is the expiration date to comply with the requirements? Made inquiry as to why said resolution took so long? Confirmed and questioned the usage of funding. Questioned the bidding format and reasoning behind Resolution 298-2013 as it relates to said resolution.
- **Resolution 352-2013:** Inquiry into tank removal.
- **Resolution 362-2013:** Expressed budget concerns and implementation.

**Councilman Abdul-Rasheed:**

- Resolution 362-2013: Is Prime Point replacing ADP and when will services take place? Steve and Justin representatives of Prime Point gave a brief overview of its services providing documents. Further discussion ensued between Council Members and Prime Point regarding services, maintenance of equipment, cost comparisons and budget concerns.
- Resolution 365-2013: Is the settlement for West Orange Reservoir inclusive?

**Councilwoman Jones-Bell:**

- Resolution 362-2013: What is the advantage of the system to the City?

**Council President Williams:**

- Resolution 362-2013: Inquiry into Management of Vacation, Sick-Time, etc. As well, for November 18<sup>th</sup> presentation to provide more information packets, demonstration and RFP.

**3) MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION****Dieter Lerch – Budget Consultant**

- Provided an overview and responded to specific questions from Council Members for CY 2013 Budget ending on December 31, 2013.
  - **Councilwoman Eason** expressed concern with the lack of cuts that was not implemented and would like to know if the City has enough funds in the budget to operate; Highlighted Resolution 366-2013 Transfer Appropriation are directly into Salaries; Presented questions concerns consequences and/or sanctions onto the Administration for lack of Budget Compliance. Made inquiry into Resolution 365-2013 is there enough monies.
  - **Councilman Corbitt** inquired as to whether there are enough monies for salaries in the budget; Can Lerch determine percentage of fund usage and if there are enough monies in the budget to operate; Expressed the need to impose sanctions onto the Administration.
  - **Councilwoman Jones-Bell** made inquiry into co-mingling of monies on line items.
  - **Council President Williams** encourage Council Members to present questions to Lerch to present to the Administration. Made inquiry into the absence of the Director of Finance and CFO; explored the possibility of excess salary funds that can be transferred to other line items.

**5) MOTION TO ADJOURN****MOTION:** Corbitt**VOICE VOTE ALL IN FAVOR****SECOND:** Eason

ADJOURNMENT: 9:00PM



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Madeline F. Smith, RMC  
Deputy Municipal Clerk



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Donna K. Williams  
Council President

Passed on December 3, 2013

Regular Meeting on November 6, 2013.

Motion to Adopt: Jones-Bell

Second: Eason

Council President Williams announced the roll call as follows:

Yeas: Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell and Marable

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absences: Abdul-Rasheed and Williams

Council President Williams ruled the motion was carried by Five Yeas; No Nays;  
No Abstentions and Two Absent.