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# CITY OF ORANGE MINUTES DECEMBER 23, 2013 REGULAR MEETING

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2013 AT 7:00PM, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

The Chair led all assembled in a Salute to the American Flag

Roll Call:

Present: West Ward Councilmen Hassan Abdul-Rasheed At-Large Councilmen Elroy A. Corbitt North Ward Councilwoman Tency A. Eason East Ward Councilwoman Linda Jones-Bell South Ward Councilmen Edward B. Marable Jr. At-Large Council President Donna K. Williams

Also Present: Deputy Municipal Clerk Madeline F. Smith
Acting Business Administrator Adrian Mapp
City Attorney Avram White
Legislative Research Officer Kevin Harris
Senior Clerk Margarette Homere

Absent: Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq

The Deputy 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 Record-Transcript and published in the Star Ledger on December 21, 2013, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Motion by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, seconded by Councilwoman Eason, approved the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from November 18, 2013.

Council President Williams stated that the December 3rd meeting minutes should reflect Mr. Marty Mayes as an Administrative Representative not the Acting Business Administrator.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, seconded by Councilwoman Eason, to rescind the approval of the Conference and Regular minutes of December 3, 2013 to change the wording.

#### **REPORTS:**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed reported that he had attended the meeting of the Housing Authority on December 19<sup>th</sup>. The Housing Authority has made there calendar for 2014.

Councilmen Corbitt reported that he plans to have the Police Director give a report every quarter. Councilmen Corbitt stated he would like to have Director Simms give a report at the next January meeting.

Councilmen Marable reported that he was asked if the Personnel Committee had a third Councilmember for the Committee. Councilwoman Eason commented that she rescinded her resignation from that Committee. Councilmen Marable reported that the Council would be getting a memo from him regarding personnel matters soon after the new year.

Councilwoman Eason reported the concern of the ABC Board regarding the illegal selling of alcohol in restaurants. This is going to be looked into.

Ms. Eason will be getting a copy of the Special Permit from the Clerk's Office, but it needs to be translated into Spanish.

Council President Williams reported on the findings of Mr. Matt Ward, consultant to the Council for a new video hookup. Mr. Matt will have to come back to the building to review the current system to determine what needs to be done. Mr. Chris Mobley came to the meeting to discuss parking meters within Orange and that a RFQ would be published for a new system. Proposed layoffs were now a moot issue according to the CFO of the City.

Mr. Mobley discussed the need for a modified ordinance for water and sewers regarding the infrastructure of the pump station. Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed stated for the record that some of the items from the finance Committee notes that he read should have been presented to the entire Council. It should have been presented as a Matter of Discussion or a public presentation; specifically the RFQ for the parking meters and the pumping station. Council President Williams stated that once the RFQ is sent out, it will come in front of the entire Council and the pumping station will be on the agenda in January. Council President commented that the CFO only provided the information that was in the Chairs report and suggested that the CFO could be questioned.

### CONSTABLE REPORTS

The Deputy Clerk reported that neither Mr. Brodie nor Mr. Harris had activities for the month of November. The Community Service received \$10,975.00 for the month of November 2013 and the Clerk's Office received \$392.54 for the month of November 2013.

### **OPRA REPORTS**

The Deputy Clerk reported the following regarding OPRA reports that came into the Clerk's Office.

Month of November 2013 - 17 Opra Request- 50 Items total – 16 completed and 15 Items pending.

Councilwoman Jones-Bell reported that there was a misspelling of one of the constables. Have the record changed to Darnell Brodie.

The Chair directed the Deputy Clerk to file the reports.

# COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

The Deputy Clerk reported that there were no communications or petitions.

# **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS**

The Deputy Clerk made the following statement.

"PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-10 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, "EACH PERSON ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL SHALL STEP UP TO THE MICROPHONE, SHALL GIVE HIS OR HER NAME IN AN AUDIBLE TONE FOR THE RECORD, AND UNLESS FURTHER TIME IS GRANTED BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER, SHALL LIMIT HIS OR HER ADDRESS TO TEN (10) MINUTES.

**ALSO** 

THE PUBLIC IS EXPECTED TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A PROPER MANNER, ANY DEROGATORY, ABUSIVE OR THREATENING STATEMENTS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED. THE CHAIR WILL IMMEDIATELY RULE SUCH CONDUCT OUT OF ORDER AND TERMINATE ANY FURTHER COMMENTS."

The following residents and business owners made comments.

Mr. Jeffery Feld, 268 Main St, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Mr. Feld also thanked the Council for having the forum on the budget the week before.

Mr. Feld does not believe that the current administration is telling everything to the Council.

Mr. Feld reported that the Executive Session minutes need to be made available to the public.

Mr. Feld also reported that the Council should not e-mail or text during meeting.

Mr. Feld thanked the Clerk's Office for their continued efforts to have OPRA request that are coming from various departments in on time. Mr. Feld commented on the lateness of some important reports that go to the Council from the Warren Administration.

Mr. Feld spoke of other issues and concerns that he had.

Ms. Gloria Stewart of Orange wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happier new year. Ms. Stewart commented that she felt that the Mayor and Directors should attend these meetings.

Ms. Stewart stated her concerns of the water problems in the City and the rate increase that is scheduled. She does not drink the water from the City and the work that was supposed to be done was not; but now the City wants a rate increase. Ms. Stewart asked about the Library and when it would be opened. Ms. Stewart suggested that the interested parties meet before a meeting to discuss the Bill List because it takes up to much time during a meeting. Ms.

Stewart commented on her concerns regarding a property adjacent to Oakland Avenue and the trash that accumulates there. Ms. Stewart commented on other issues and concerns.

Ms. Katalin Gordon, a resident of Orange, asked when the Corrective Action Plan would be discussed. Council President Williams reported it would be discussed in January. Ms. Gordon requested that a list of all deadlines be put on the website so the public could be made aware of them. Mr. Mapp commented that his office could make that list and have it posted on the website. Ms. Gordon suggested what items should be on the spread sheet. Ms. Gordon commented that she did not feel that United Water was doing a good job for Orange and the resolution should not be signed for future work with them.

Council President Williams reported that the resolution was for a water rate increase not to go into another contract with United Water.

Ms. Ingrid Williams asked about how many low income housing units will be built for phase III. Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed will research that and reach out to Ms. Williams with an answer. Ms. Williams was concerned about the accuracy of resolutions amending the Grant resolution; which once looked into more closely, the amending resolutions had problems. Ms. Williams asked about a large dollar amount that was on the Bill List for the Library and would that help with the Library roof, and spoke about some concerns. Ms. Williams also gave an update on her efforts to get the Library reopened.

Council President Williams asked Councilmen Marable if he had an update on the Library. Councilmen Marable report on the letter that he had sent to Council members and the Mayor. Councilmen Marable had not been aware that Library employees were directed to return to work. The Mayor had not responded to his letter so Council Marable posed the question regarding the safety of the Library at this time.

Ms. Williams reported that she had attended the Library meeting and Librarians were asked to return books from other Libraries and that the Library repairs had been completed and the Library Board was just waiting for the inspectors to come out. Ms. Williams provided other information regarding the Library and also reported that the Mayor had not responded to her inquiries.

Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed reported his reasons for not attending the Library Board meeting and stated that at a prior meeting he had asked Ms. Williams to ask the Library Board to give a public forum as to why the Library had been closed. Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed stated his opinion regarding the Book Give- Away for the children. The Administration had not answered the many questions that Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed has asked regarding the Library.

Mr. Mapp was asked if he had any updates to the questions that had been asked. Mr. Mapp reported Ms. Cooper, Director of the Library, has been out on leave and that he does not get involved with the running of the Library. He will try to reach Ms. Cooper for a response.

Ms. Murphy Wilson of Orange came to the podium and gave her opinion regarding the Corrective Action Plan stating that in fact it should be a plan with dates that are reviewed every 30 days.

Ms. Wilson commented on the lack of responsibility that the administrative staff have toward the finances of the city. The City Council should be able to do something about that.

Transfer of appropriations – why is money being transferred around at this point.

Questioned the need for an outside Engineering firm to review the water system when the city already has a contracted firm to review the water system.

Questioned the Resolution 421-2013 regarding a Grant. The resolutions should have been reviewed before the meeting not during the meeting. The Council should read their packets earlier than at the meetings. Ms. Wilson stated her concerns on other projects and issues.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, seconded by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed, to close the citizen comments. The Motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

# **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Motion by Abdul-Rasheed, seconded by Councilmen Corbitt, to extend the meeting past 10:30 P.M.

### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Eason, Marable, Williams

Nays: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell

#### Motion Fails.

Motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Council-President Williams, to reconsider.

#### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Eason, Williams

Nays: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable

#### **Motion Fails.**

Motion by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler, seconded by Councilmen Corbitt, to reconsider.

Councilmen Marable commented that the Council should stay and do the City business. Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed commented that it should not take all night to do the City Business.

#### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, Council President Williams

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed

## Motion Carries.

Motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell to extend the meeting past 10:30 P.M.

### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, Council president Williams

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed

## Motion Carries.

# Council Comments began.

Councilmember Marable: Wished everyone a happy holiday.

Councilwoman Jones-Bell: Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Councilmember Abdul-Rasheed: No comment.

Councilmember Corbitt: The Council needs by-laws if we do not have them.

The Clerk's Office should be included in Committee reports.

Wanted an update on the layoffs. Council-President Williams reported that during a Finance Committee meeting the CFO of the city reported that the layoffs were a most point at this time. It was too late in the year.

Councilmember Eason: Wished everyone a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.

Reported that unknown persons are going on porches and taking residents mail. This had

happened to her and she is filing a police report and all residents should be careful. If you see someone on your block hanging around and they do not live on your block call the Police. Councilwoman Eason responded to Ms. Wilson's comments regarding the Bill List.

Councilmember Gaunt-Butler: Wished everyone a happy holiday and safe New Year.

Asked if the Administration had been notified about the over expenditures.

Council-President Williams reported that the Administration had been notified a number of times. Several Resolutions had been made and one specifically to specify what the payroll should look like.

Councilwomen Gaunt-Butler reported that she had attended the Orange High School performance of the Great Gatsby. It was excellent performance. Also attended the Senior Citizen's Celebration and had a great time and she thanked the Administration for the celebration. Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler asked the Council-President if she had a recycling

holiday schedule. Council Present Williams reported that the schedule is put out by DPW and that Mr. Mobley would have it put on the website. Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler had spoken to Ms. Stewart about the Bill List and understood that it was not that Ms. Stewart did not care, but that the Bill List could be presented in a summary fashion.

Council President recited a poem that Mr. Nelson Mandela had been recited while he was incarcerated. (See Attachment A)

After reading the poem Council President Williams wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The Deputy Clerk moved the agenda.

# ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

The Deputy Clerk read Ordinance 50-2013 by Title.

50-2013

An ordinance of the City of the City of Orange Township vacating a portion of Lackawanna Plaza consisting of approximately 5,045.0 6 square feet.

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 50-2013.

Mr. Feld commented that he was not in favor of passing this ordinance providing his reasons.

Ms. Stewart commented that the Governing Body should hold developers to their agreements.

Ms. Gordon commented that the agreement should not be changed.

Seeing no one else, the Chair declared the time closed.

Ms. Odell from McManion, Scotland and Baumann, serving as special counsel for the City of Orange with respect to that project, reported that the resolution is seeking approval to vacate a portion of Lackawanna Plaza. That portion is not being donated to the developer. That portion is being attached to property that is already owned by the city. It would be transferred for a price pursuant to a ground lease to the developer. The approved sight plan does change the number of units in the project; which is still consistent with the RDA. The RPM Group submitted an amended application for the financial agreement and that will have to come back for approval by the city before they can proceed with the pilot.

Ms. Odell explained other aspects of the agreement and answered questions from the Governing Body.

Mr. Joe Portelli from the RPM Development Group provided some history on the project and the changes that have occurred. Changes were made due to restrictions by NJ Transit and requirements by the Choice Financing agency. These changes will result in 24 units from the original 30 units.

Council-President Williams had it confirmed that the Pilot Agreement will have to be renegotiated and that will be presented in January 2014.

Questions from the Governing Body were addressed,

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to adopt Ordinance Number 50-2013.

### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Jones-Bell, Council president Williams

Nays: Councilmen Marable

Abstain: Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler

# **Motion Carries.**

### ORDINANCES TABLED FROM AUGUST 7, 2013 REGULAR MEETING

22-2013 An ordinance setting forth an employee tuition reimbursement policy and guidelines or the City of Orange Township and amending and supplementing Chapter 23 of the

Municipal Code and the appendix Titled City of Orange Township – Employee Handbook of personnel policies and procedures.

#### MOTION TO LIFT FROM TABLE:

Getting no response the Chair moved the agenda forward.

A Bond ordinances providing for various capital acquisitions and improvements, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey (The "City"); appropriating \$9,826,000 therefore and authorizing the issuance of \$8,935, 500 bonds or notes of the City to finance the costs thereof.

### MOTION TO LIFT FROM TABLE:

Getting no response the Chair moved the agenda forward

An ordinance setting outside employment guidelines for the City of Orange Township and amending and supplementing Chapter 23 of the Municipal Code and the appendix titled City of Orange Township – Employee Handbook of Personnel Policies and Procedures.

## MOTION TO LIFT FROM TABLE:

Getting no response the Chair moved the agenda forward.

# ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION /FIRST READING

An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled Vehicles and Traffic", Section 200-40, Schedule IX: Stop Intersections (3-Way Stop) (Lincoln Avenue and Frankfort Street) (Sponsored by Hon. Hassan Abdul-Rasheed)

The Township Deputy Clerk read Ordinance Number 53-2013 by Title.

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed that Ordinance 53-3013 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 21, 2014.

# Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, Council president Williams

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

# **Motion Carries.**

54-2013 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" to amend through streets.

The Township Deputy Clerk read Ordinance Number 54-2013 by Title.

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell that Ordinance 54-3013 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 21, 2014.

#### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, Council president Williams

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

#### **Motion Carries.**

55-2013 An ordinance amending Chapter 15B of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled Environmental Commission.

The Township Deputy Clerk read Ordinance Number 55-2013 by Title. Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed that Ordinance 55-3013 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 21, 2014.

### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Council president Williams

Nays: Councilmen Marable

Abstain: Councilwoman Eason

#### **Motion Carries.**

# 56-2013 Orange

An ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the City of

Township entitled Budget and Fiscal Procedures. (Sponsored by: Council Member Hassan Abdul-Rasheed)

The Township Deputy Clerk read Ordinance Number 56-2013 by Title. Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed that Ordinance 56-2013 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 21, 2014.

Councilmen Marable questioned Paragraph F of the Ordinance. Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed and Mr. Kevin Harris addressed his questions.

Councilwoman commented that it is the responsibility of the City to adhere to the States mandate and this Ordinance is setting the bar where it should be.

Councilwoman Eason asked what the consequences to the Administration are if they do not adhere to this ordinance. Mr. Harris commented that the Council has the ability to subpoena or Rice individuals to investigate and get your answers. Other questions were asked and answered by Mr. Harris and Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed.

### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, Council President Williams

Nays: None.

Abstain: Councilwoman Eason.

# Motion Carries.

57-2013

An ordinance amending Chapter 88, "Fees", Article I, "FEES derived from code provisions", Section 88-1, "schedule of fees" setting rates and fees for the use of the sewer system.

The Chair read Ordinance Number 57-2013 by Title.

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed that Ordinance 57-2013 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 21, 2014.

Mr. Mobley, Acting Director of Economic Development, came to the podium reported that there are various meter sizes. The meter size that pertains to the majority of residential homes is what is called a 5/8. The proposed increase is for 17% for water and 8% for sewer. The increase for the 5/8 meters would be \$5.91 quarterly. The last increase was 16 years ago and currently the infrastructure of the City water system is crumbling. Mr. Mobley provided examples of current issues. Mr. Mobley answered from the Governing Body.

# Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Jones-Bell, Council President Williams

Nays: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Marable, Gaunt-Butler

Abstain: Councilwoman Eason.

# **Motion Fails.**

58-2013

An ordinance amending Chapter 88, "Fees", Article I, "FEES derived from code provisions", Section 88-1, "schedule of fees" setting rates and fees for the use of the Water system.

The Chair read Ordinance Number 58-2013 by Title.

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed that Ordinance 58-2013 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held January 7, 2014.

# Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Eason, Jones-Bell, Council President

Williams

Nays: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Marable, Gaunt-Butler

Abstain: None.

# Motion Carries.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Deputy Clerk read the following statement.

"ALL ITEMS LISTED WITH AN ASTERISK (\*) ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCIL MEMBERSO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THEGENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE OF THE AGENDA."

Motion by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, seconded by Abdul-Rasheed, to approve the Consent Agenda (with the corrections as noted) by the Township Council as follows:

RESOLUTIONS: \*411-2013 -\* 426-2013

- \*411-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of taxes due to state board judgments in the amount of \$7,698.99.
- \*412-2013 A resolution authorizing the refund of water/sewer paid due to overpayment in the amount of \$1,262.14.
- \*413-2013 A resolution authorizing the acceptance of Community Development Block Grant funds for the year 2013.
- \*414-2013 A resolution awarding a contract to Smith Boring Auto Parts, Inc., 10 Elm Street, Montclair, New Jersey 07042 for the purchase of automobile parts for two (2) years commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 per year.

  (Removed for separate vote)
- \*415-2013 A resolution awarding a contract to Select Auto Service, Inc., 52 Washington Street, West Orange, New Jersey 07052 for vehicle maintenance and repairs to all city owned vehicles and equipment for two (2) years commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 in the amount not to exceed \$97,570.00 per year.

  (Removed for separate vote)
- \*416-2013 A resolution awarding a contract to American Wear, Inc., 261 North 18<sup>th</sup> Street, East Orange, New Jersey 07018 for the public works uniform rental and cleaning services for two (2) years commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 in the amount not to exceed \$11,960.00 per year. (Removed for separate vote)
- \*417-2013 A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Orange Board of Education for "Project Graduation" as a component of the

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Municipal Alliance Program funded through the New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse from January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00. (Removed by Administration)

- \*418-2013 A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Orange Board of Education for "Brother to Brother" as a component of the Municipal Alliance Program funded through the New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse from January 1, 2013 December 31, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00. (Removed by Administration)
- \*419-2013 A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the "Female Achievers Program" as a component of the Municipal Alliance Program funded through the New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Program funded through the New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Program amount not to exceed \$7,500.00. (Removed by Administration)
- \*420-2013 The resolution authorizing the extension of the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Municipal Alliance Grant from December 31, 2013 to June 30, 2014 to received an additional \$42,500.00 from January 2014 to June 2014.
- \*421-2013 A resolution amending resolution 283-2013 authorizing the submission of an application to the state of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Office of Recreation for funding under the 2014 recreational programs for individuals with disabilities grant (ROID) and authorizing the mayor to sign any applications or contracts that are required. (Removed for separate vote)
- \*422-2013 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on December 17, 2013 dated December 12, 2013 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$3,107,96.37).

  (Removed for separate vote)
- \*423-2013 A resolution honoring the life, accomplishments and legacy of Nelson Mandela.
- \*424-2013 A resolution authorizing a contract with McEnerney, Brady & Company, LLC to serve as Municipal Auditors to perform the Calendar Year 2013 Audit along with Ancillary Accounting Services to complete the City's Annual Financial Statement in an amount not to exceed \$83,500.00. (Withdrawn by the Administration)

\*425-2013 A resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant totaling \$15,215.00 from the County of Essex, Division of Senior Services for the partial funding of a senior citizen public health nurse for January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

\*426-2013 A resolution for the Transfer of appropriations for Calendar Year 2013 operating Budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59 (Removed for separate vote)

The Consent Agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

The Chair read Resolution 414-2013 by Title.

A resolution awarding a contract to Smith Boring Auto Parts, Inc., 10 Elm Street, Montclair, New Jersey 07042 for the purchase of automobile parts for two (2) years commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 per year.

Motion by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed, seconded by Councilwoman Eason, to approve Resolution 414-2013.

# Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Eason, Jones-Bell

Nays: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Marable, Gaunt-Butler, Council President Williams

Abstain: None

#### **Motion Fails**

The Chair read Resolution 415-2013 by Title.

A resolution awarding a contract to Select Auto Service, Inc., 52 Washington Street, West Orange, New Jersey 07052 for vehicle maintenance and repairs to all city owned vehicles and equipment for two (2) years commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 in the amount not to exceed \$97,570.00 per year.

# Motion by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed, seconded by Councilmen Corbitt, to approve Resolution 415-2013.

Councilwoman Eason expressed her concerned about having Police cars that cannot get fixed and how that would affect the safety of the residents.

Councilmen Marable does not want Police cars on the road if they are accompanying people in the city to concerts in New York. He does not distinguish between Police cars and any other city owned vehicle and the Governing Body is entitled to know what those vehicles are.

### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Eason, Jones-Bell

Nays: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Marable, Gaunt-Butler, Council President Williams

Abstain: None

# **Motion Fails**

The Chair read Resolution 416-2013 by Title.

A resolution awarding a contract to American Wear, Inc., 261 North 18<sup>th</sup> Street, East Orange, New Jersey 07018 for the public works uniform rental and cleaning services for two (2) years commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 in the amount not to exceed \$11,960.00 per year.

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to approve Resolution 416-2013.

### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Marable, Council President Williams

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

### Motion Carries.

# The Chair read Resolution 421-2013 by title.

A resolution amending resolution 283-2013 authorizing the submission of an application to the state of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Office of Recreation for funding under the 2014 recreational programs for individuals with disabilities grant (ROID) and authorizing the mayor to sign any applications or contracts that are required.

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to approve Resolution 421-2013 as amended.

Councilmen Marable stated that he had received a memo on December 23 from the Deputy Clerk regarding information that had been received by a city worker that is working on the city grants.

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**NEW JERSEY** 

Who is this person and what is his title. The Deputy Clerk reported that his name was Mr. Lewis Copeland. The Deputy Clerk did not know his title. Mr. Abdul-Rasheed reported that he had spoken to Mr. Mapp and that Mr. Mapp stated that he did not want names given at Council meetings.

### Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell,
Council President Williams

Nays: Councilmen Marable.

Abstain: Councilwoman Eason

# **Motion Carries.**

The Chair read Resolution 422-2013 by title.

A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on December 17, 2013 dated December 12, 2013 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$3,107,96.37).

The Chair reported that the CFO had asked that items be removed from the total amount. The actual total for the resolution would be reported by the Clerk's office the next day.

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilmen Abdul-Rasheed, to approve Resolution 422-2013 as amended.

# Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Council President Williams

Nays: None.

Abstain: Councilmen Marable

#### Motion Carries.

The Chair read Resolution 426-2013 by title.

A resolution for the Transfer of appropriations for Calendar Year 2013 operating Budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59

Motion by Councilmen Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to approve Resolution 426-2013.

# Roll Call:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Eason, Gaunt-Butler, Jones-Bell, Council President Williams

Nays: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Marable.

Abstain: None

# **Motion Carries.**

# OTHER PENDING BUSINESS - None.

By consensus the regular meeting adjourned at 12:00 A.M December 24th, 2013.

Madeline Smith

**Deputy Municipal Clerk** 

Donna K. Williams
Council President