

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

**CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP
CONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES
February 18, 2014**

This was a conference meeting of the City Council of the City of Orange Township, located at 29 North Day Street, Orange, New Jersey. The meeting was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7:24 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present:

Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward Councilwoman
Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler, At-Large Councilwoman
Councilwoman Linda Jones-Bell, East Ward Councilwoman
Councilman Edward B. Marable, Jr., South Ward Councilman
Council President Donna K. Williams At-Large Councilwoman

Also Present: Deputy Municipal Clerk Madeline F. Smith
Marty Mayes Administrative Representative
James Wolfe, Representing the City Attorney
Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer
Kevin D. Harris, Legislative Research Officer(arrived @ 7:27)
Margarette Homere, Clerk's Office
Cpt. Joseph Moresco Fire Department Representative
Hakim Sims, Police Director.

Absent: Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq

The assembly stood for a moment of silence.

Council President Williams apologized to the resident for beginning the meeting late explaining that the person that broadcast the meeting was having car problems.

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 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.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

None.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

The Deputy Clerk read the following statement. "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."

Councilwoman Eason requested a review of Resolution 48-2014, the Bill List.

Councilwoman Eason requested that Mr. Mapp come to the podium to answer some questions regarding salaries in the Check Register which is part of the Bill List.

Mr. Mapp explained that the amount she was seeing in that report was reflecting the amount for the entire department. When asked about the amount that was reflected in the Business Administrator's Office Mr. Mapp would not answer direct questions regarding who was receiving salaries in that department since there is no Business Administrator.

Mr. Mapp did confirm that he would provide a list by person and by biweekly salary.

Councilwoman Eason requested the information be ready by the following Tuesday. Mr. Mapp reported that he would have to speak to the Mayor's Office. Mr. Mapp would gather the information and it would then be approved by the Mayor's Office.

Councilman Marable commented that he had asked Mr. Mapp for a report on the distribution of Sandy funds and did not get the report.

Discussion ensued regarding the lack of information that is available to the Council and what recourse is there for the Council.

It was determined that subpoenas were the best recourse to the lack of cooperation from the Administration.

Council President Williams addressed page 1 regarding the \$95.00 which had to be removed, it had been put there in error again.

The \$95.00 was taken off the Bill List and the new amount would be reflected on the Bill List. Mr. Mayes answered questions regarding hardware purchases and other expenses.

Council President Williams adjourned the meeting with a motion by Councilman Corbitt and seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler.
The vote was carried by a unanimous vote.

The Conference meeting was adjourned 8:11 P.M.


Madeline Smith
Deputy Municipal Clerk


Donna K. Williams
Council President