

**MINUTES CITY COUNCIL  
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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
February 18, 2014**

**A REGULAR 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 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2014, FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.**

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

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

Councilman Hassan Abdul-Rasheed, West Ward Councilmen (arrived @ 8:25)  
Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt, At-Large Councilmen  
Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward Councilwoman  
Councilwoman April Gaunt-Butler, At-Large Councilwoman  
Councilwoman Linda Jones-Bell, East Ward Councilwoman  
Councilmen Edward B. Marable Jr., South Ward Councilmen  
Council President Donna K. Williams, At-Large Councilwoman

**Also Present:** Deputy Municipal Clerk Madeline F. Smith  
Marty Mayes Administrative Representative  
Mr. 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

**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 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.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**September 12, 2013 Executive (Closed) Session**

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Hon. Abdul-Rasheed & Eason cannot vote, because they were not present

**Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler to approve the Minutes.**

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None

**Motion Carries.**

December 2, 2013 Executive (Closed) Session

**Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell to approve the Minutes. Motion carries by unanimous vote.**

December 11, 2013 Executive (Closed) Session

Hon. Abdul-Rasheed cannot vote, because he was not present.

**Motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler to approve the minutes. Motion carries by unanimous vote.**

**REPORTS:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Corbitt report for Public Safety. Councilman Corbitt reported that the snow and ice removal at the Police Headquarters was not acceptable. Mr. Mayes reported that the equipment had broken down before they were finished with the job.

Councilwoman Eason report for Local A.B.C. Councilwoman Eason reported that the A.B.C. meeting had been cancelled. The next meeting would be held on March 13, 2014. They would be discussing the restaurants that want to serve alcohol outside their establishments.

Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler report for the Finance Committee. Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler reported that the Committee suggested that Ordinance 32-2013 be voted down so it can be modified and that Ordinance 58-2013 should be passed. Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler reported on resolutions that would be presented at the next Council meeting. The 2014 budget had been approved for an extension to March 14<sup>th</sup>. The committee also reviewed the proposed transfer of

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funds from gas/electric & street lighting, the snow Trust fund, the Tony Galento/RPM development ordinance and she reported that the city had not applied for transitional aid because it was not eligible.

Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler answered questions from Councilmembers.

Councilman Marable had issues that related to the Fire Department. Councilman Corbitt asked if it was the responsibility of the Fire Department to remove snow that covered fire hydrants.

Councilman Marable had been asked by a resident to have a fire hydrant on her street cleared of snow. Captain Joe Moresco of the Orange Fire Department commented that they do try to clear all the fire hydrants in the city and would follow up on that fire hydrant.

Councilman Marable commented on promotions that took place in the Fire Department.

Councilman Marable commented on the city's Organizational Chart with regard to promotions and limits of promotions. Councilman Marable asked Mr. Mapp questions regarding having the funds for these promotions. Mr. Mapp reported that the finance department did sign off on the salary adjustment forms for those promotions. Councilman Marable commented that the promotions can only be approved after the Director of the Fire Department approved them and because there is a need and then it must be fiscally prudent for the city. Mr. Mapp commented he did not receive a request to the Finance Department for any information pertaining to those promotions.

Mr. Mapp answered questions from other Councilmembers.

Ms. Lascari answered questions regarding the Fire Department promotions stating she felt that the Fire Department had put those promotions in their budget for 2014, but she had not confirm the amount.

Councilman Abdul-Rasheed commented that he had no report for the Housing Authority and that there would be a public meeting that coming Thursday at 6:00 P.M. at 105 Wilson Place.

**CONSTABLE REPORTS:**

**The Deputy Clerk reported the following:**

- Month of January 2014-Cuthbert Harris- Worked as security for Doctor Teresits Bodila
- Month of January 2014- Mohammad Toure- No activities
- Month of January 2014- Darnell Brodie- No activities
- Department of Community Services – Month of January 2014- \$13,465.00
- Clerk's Office- Month of January 2014 - \$92.81

**OPRA REPORTS:**

**Month of January 2014- 19 received 83 items completed and 2 items pending.**

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**President directs Clerk to file reports**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

**None**

**The Deputy Clerk read the following:**

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". 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 the following comments.

Mr. William Lewis from Orange commented that there was \$630,000.00 in fines against the city.

Mr. Lewis questioned what other jobs the City Attorney Mr. Dan Smith had.

Mr. Lewis made suggestions on resolutions and ordinance that the Council votes on.

Mr. Jeffery Feld, business owner in Orange commented Black History Month.

Mr. Feld commented that there was still no list of outstanding city litigations.

Mr. Feld commented that the City Council is not informed of the city debt so they can approve it. Mr. Feld commented that the Annual Debt statement had not been filed as of the Friday before. Mr. Feld commented on other financial statements that have not been filed in a timely manner. Mr. Feld commented on other issues were the City Council had not approved. Mr. Feld commented that the resolution authorizing the elimination of 20 days for the ordinance regarding moving the election to November did not contain the reason for the emergency; which is a requirement of law. Mr. Feld asked questions to the Councilmembers which were answered.

Ms. Katalin Gordon commented that the snow removal in her area had improved.

Ms. Gordon complained that she was disappointed when she was not able to comment on an ordinance regarding the temporary appropriations during the January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ms. Gordon suggested that the city could not maintain their current spending habits. Mr. Mapp did answer questions that Ms. Gordon had at this meeting regarding those appropriations. Mr. Mapp did comment that there were a number of assumptions that were not correct and then he provided his information regarding the incorrect assumptions.

Ms. Jane Henderson was not satisfied with the city's snow removal plan in her area.

Ms. Henderson commented that if Orange's snow removal equipment is broken then let her take her tax dollars and hire someone to plow her street.

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Mr. Mayes addressed Ms. Henderson's concerns. Council President apologized to Ms. Henderson for the issue and her inconvenience.

Mr. Harold Johnson commented that he does not agree with Ordinance 1-2014 providing his reasons.

Ms. Gloria Stewart commented that she noticed that there was more lighting under the underpass and thanked Councilman Corbitt and Mr. Hathaway for the lights. Ms. Stewart congratulated Councilwoman Jones-Bell on getting her new degree. There should be a backup plan for the video person when he is late so the video feed of the meeting can be on time. Ms. Stewart commented again that the Mayor should be at these meetings. Ms. Stewart was happy that some of the grass root employees are back at their jobs with this administration. Ms. Stewart also commented about the Library closure, the water increase and the snow dome. Ms. Stewart does not support Ordinance 1-2014. Council President Williams addressed Ms. Stewart's questions.

Ms. Ingrid Williams commented that she was happy that the Library was open and will continue to work to make sure it stays open. Ms. Williams was not pleased with the snow removal in her area. The South Orange St near her block was cleared but Orange was not. Ms. Williams provided suggestions on how to keep track of the equipment that leaves DPW.

Mr. Mayes addressed her concerns regarding snow removal in her area and her suggestions regarding equipment usage and breakage.

Mr. Bill Harrington questioned if Orange had an agreement with other towns regarding snow removal with boarder streets. Mr. Mayes said no there is no agreement. The County plows the County roads and they have been doing a good job. Mr. Harrington asked if there had been anything done regarding the reservoir and renegotiating the new terms. Council President Williams updated the resident on what would be taking place regarding the reservoir. Mr. Harrington asked questions as to why the elections are being moved now instead of on a ballot. Council President Williams addressed Mr. Harrington's questions. Council President addressed other questions that Mr. Harrington had.

Mr. Shakeel Radford commented that he does not agree with Ordinance 1-2014 providing his reasons. Councilwoman Eason answered questions that Mr. Radford had regarding the ordinance.

**Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to Close Citizen Comments. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Abdul-Rasheed thanked Mr. Harrington for his concern about the extension of the election date in a nonpolitical way, while Mr. Johnson gave a political address.

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Councilman Abdul-Rasheed asked Mr. Mapp if he had an answer regarding the Reverse 911 amount of \$15,000.00. which he had asked about at the last meeting. Mr. Mapp reported that the item in question was an amount that was from 2010. It had been approved by a previous Police director. It was to be paid in three installments one installment of \$15,000.00 each year for three years. The payment was not made in 2013 so it was due this year. Mr. Mapp answered other questions that Councilmember Abdul-Rasheed asked him regarding the Library and the \$750,000.00 that the Library had received. Mr. Mapp commented that he does not get involved in the Library reporting or accounting. Councilmember Abdul-Rasheed then asked Mr. Mayes if he had information on the DPW employees working at the Library. Mr. Mayes reported that there were some DPW employees that worked at the Library but could not give specifics as to what they did. Mr. Mayes confirmed that their pay would have come from the city and not the Library.

Councilman Corbitt asked where the Reverse 911 equipment is. Police Director Simms reported that he did not know where the equipment is. Ms. Eason commented that if the city needs to make a reverse 911 is thought it would have to go through the Board of Education and their system. Mr. Mapp did not believe that the city paid the Board of Education the \$15,000.00. Council President Williams asked Mr. Mapp for the supporting documentation regarding who was paid the \$15,000.00. Mr. Mapp will forward the documents to the Clerk's office once he gets them. Councilmember Abdul-Rasheed directed Mr. Mapp to provide him with a copy of all three invoices for the Reverse 911. Councilmember Corbitt reported that the fire hydrant that had been covered with snow on Fairview had been cleared. Councilman Corbitt reported on a memo that was put out regarding the Bond Ordinance and how it passed blame on the Council. Councilman Corbitt feels the only way to resolve the issues with the Bond is to have the administration and Council sit down and work on what should and should not be in the bond. Councilman Corbitt commented that the Council is tired of asking for items of information from the administration and not getting them and so the Council will have to subpoena the administration to get the information that they have asked for. Councilman Corbitt commented that he had not figured out how the city stayed within the budget without the cuts that the Council had implemented.

Councilwoman Eason commented that on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 when the new administration took office they knew then that city equipment was 20 years old. She had asked the Mayor to look at the budget, see where we are and see what is needed before we move forward; but they choose to spend all the money in salaries so now they want to blame the Council for that because they say the bond ordinance was not passed. Councilwoman Eason asked why the Council should give them more money with no financial oversight. Councilwoman Eason commended Mr. Mayes on his efforts with the recent snow storms.

Councilwoman Eason asked Mr. Mapp when he could deliver the Budget. Mr. Mapp reported that the city was waiting on the State aid figures before he could complete the budget.

Council President Williams asked for a motion to extend the meeting.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, seconded by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed to extend the meeting.

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**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays: Councilmembers: Councilman Corbitt**

**Motion Carries.**

Councilwoman Eason commented that moving the election to November would be a positive thing for the city; it was not because she could not walk. Ms. Eason assured the residents that she can walk, so that had nothing to do with the move. Ms. Eason questioned the people that said the move was self serving, asking how self serving is it of them that don't want to save the city money. Councilwoman Eason commented that the residents that she spoke to in her Ward were in favor of the move to November.

Councilman Marable commented that he would not be voting for Ordinance 1-2014. Councilman Marable commented on the problem of fire hydrants being covered with snow and the danger that it causes. Councilman Marable commented on the budgeted amount difference between last year and this year in the Mayor's Office. The difference which was not approved by Council will be a \$53,000.00 difference at the end of the year. Councilman Marable will vote against passing the Bill List.

Councilman Marable commented he will vote against the Bond Ordinance because the administration in the recent past has not provided information to the Council and he feels that questions regarding the 9 million dollars will also go unanswered. Councilman Marable continued to give reasons why he cannot endorse the Bond Ordinance. Councilman Marable commented on the fact that the city still does not have a Business Administrator and it is not the Mayor's job to attend to the business affairs of the city.

Councilman Marable addressed the smear campaign that has been going on about him.

Councilwoman Jones-Bell commented that the Council members want the best for the residents of Orange but the constant pushback by the administration on questions that the Council would need answered to make informed decisions regarding where money should be spent is not a partnership. Councilwoman Jones-Bell commented that even though residents have petitions that are signed, that part of the election plan does not change and the city really does need the money. Mr. Mayes was complimented again by Councilwoman Jones-Bell on the job he did with what he had. Councilwoman Jones-Bell commented that the Council had reviewed the Bond Ordinance, amended the ordinance and yet that still was not enough. The Council only wants the best for residents, but this must be a team effort, not just the Council. The Administration needs to help. The Council will not throw good money after bad because they do not get needed information from the Administration. Councilwoman Jones-Bell listed things that the Council had asked for and did not get from the Administration. Councilwoman Jones-Bell commented that things are going to move forward, equipment will get fixed, everyone needs to be patient. Councilwoman Jones-Bell commented that moving the elections to November, she

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felt was reasonable, giving her reasons why; which also included that the city needed that money. She commented that the snow storms just kept coming this year and DPW did a good job with the equipment that they had.

Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler thanked Director Sims, Director Mayes and Supervisor Wingfield for the assistance they provided her regarding the Lincoln Avenue situation. Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler reported that she attended the Orange Public School Spelling Day. The children were outstanding. Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler asked Mr. Mapp for an update on the Corrective Action Plan. Mr. Mapp commented that the plan is a process and they are working on Corrective Action Plan and it will be completed as soon as it can be accomplished; items have already been corrected but not all. With regard to the November election time frame she felt that it would give the incoming elected officials the opportunity to design their own plan with regard to the budget as opposed to coming in and working for 6 months with someone else's plan. The city of course would be saving money by having the election in November. Ms. Gaunt-Butler had spoken to residents and one of their issues was that the public would not be able to weigh in on the issue and that the process had already started.

Council President Williams commented that the Council was given two resolution 49-2013 and 50-2013. Resolution 49 was removed so Resolution 50-2014 is now 49-2014. The Council President requested that the City Attorney's office provide a conflict list of attorneys. The resolution did not have expiration dates for the attorneys and it should have that in the resolution; i.e. the list is valid from this date to that date. All the law firms should have included their supporting documents; those documents should be included so the Council can review them. The Council President commented that during any meeting that she had with the Mayor she had always asked that he attend the Council meetings and she was sure that any other Councilperson that met with him had also asked him to attend the meetings.

The Councilmembers do not have the assets that the Mayor does and at times it is hard for Councilmembers to communicate what they are doing for the residents of Orange. It has been difficult for the Council to get any answers from the Administration of questions that have been asked over and over again. The Council President commented that with regard to the Bond Ordinance the Council had to wait until January to get information that had been requested in October which had delayed the passing of that ordinance. Mr. Mapp and the Council President discussed the Bond amounts and current bills.

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Eason to close council comments. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

**ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

**1-2014    An ordinance establishing the November General Election Day as the date for the City of Orange Township's Non Partisan Municipal Elections**



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The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 1-2014.

Ms. Wilson came to the podium commenting that she opposed the Ordinance providing her reasons why.

Mr. Desormes of 127 Chapel St commented that he was not in favor of the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Mr. Jeffrey Feld commented that he was against the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Ms. Desormes of 127 Chapel St commented that she was not in favor of the ordinance providing her reasons why.

Mr. Harold Johnson commented that he was against the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Mr. Darrel Harrington commented that he was against the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Ms. Gloria Stewart commented that she was not in favor of the ordinance providing her reasons why.

Seeing no one else, the Chair asked for a motion to close.

**Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Eason to close the hearings.**

**Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

**Motion Carries.**

**Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed, to adopt Ordinance Number 1-2014.**

**Councilman Corbitt commented that not all residents wanted the two questions that were put to the residents on the last ballot, but if you look at this there is an upside to this.**

**Councilwoman Jones-Bell provided the procedure for the new Councilmembers if they were to be elected in November instead of May.**

**Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler commented that she felt the question should go to a referendum and suggested that the effective date of the ordinance should be 2017.**

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**Council President Williams commented that the people running for office would have more time to campaign and she had listened to the public comments and that she is a referendum person because residents should be heard. She commented that this is a very hard decision.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Jones-Bell,

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

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

**Motion Carries.**

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

- 32-2013    A bond ordinance 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 \$9,826,000.00 therefore and authorizing the issuance of \$8,935, 500.00 bonds or notes of the City to finance the costs thereof.**

**Motion by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell to Lift from Table**

**Roll Call:**

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

Nays: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Marable

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

**Motion Carries.**

Motion by Councilman Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to approve Ordinance 32-2013.

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 32-2013.

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Mr. Jeffery Feld commented that Council should vote no.  
Ms. Wilson commented she was not in favor of this ordinance stating her reasons why.  
Ms. Stewart commented she was in favor of this ordinance stating her reasons why.  
Ms. Williams that Council if they vote for the ordinance they should follow the money.  
Mr. Daniels commented he was not in favor of this ordinance.  
Seeing no one else, the Chair asked for a motion to close.

**Motion by Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to close the hearings.**

**Roll Call:**

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

**Motion Carries.**

**Motion by Corbitt, second by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to approve Ordinance 32-2013.**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Corbitt commented that there is a need for the Council and Administration to have an open dialog regarding this ordinance.

Councilwoman Eason commented that the Council will pass a Bond Ordinance the reason why this one is not being voted for is because the Council is not sure if the nine million dollars is now needed. The DPW, Fire and Police have submitted their list of needed items to see what can be purchased for them.

Councilwoman Jones-Bell had it confirmed that even voting this Bond Ordinance down will allow the Police, Fire and DPW to purchase needed items. Council President Williams reported that Mr. Mayes was to meet with the Directors of Fire and Police to discuss their needs.

Councilwoman Eason commented that Mr. Mapp should be included because the city needs a new computer system.

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Councilmembers: None.

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

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Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

**Motion Fails.**

**ORDINANCES TABLED FROM DECEMBER 23, 2013 REGULAR MEETING**

**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 water system.**

**Motion by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed, seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler to Lift From Table.**

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Eason, Gaunt-Butler and Council President Williams**

**Nays: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Marable, Jones-Bell,**

**Abstain: None.**

**Absent: None.**

**Motion Carries.**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 58-2013.

Mr. Jeffery Feld commented that no one had an opportunity to question the original report on this rate increase.

Ms. Wilson concerned with Mr. Feld.

Ms. Stewart concerned with Mr. Feld and Ms. Wilson.

Motion to close the public hearing on Ordinance 58-2013 was unanimously approved by Council.

Motion by Councilman Abdul-Rasheed, seconded by Councilman Corbitt, to approve Ordinance 58-2013.

Mr. Mayes commented that the Orange water system is in bad shape and any delay only makes things worse and more costly.

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Councilwoman Eason agrees with Mr. Mayes and commented that any resident could have come to Town Hall and spoken to Mr. Mayes about the report. The residents did not have to wait for a hearing at a Council meeting. The Ordinance has been around for a long time, months, and anyone could have come to Town Hall to discuss it and have their questions answered. There was no reason for anyone tonight to say that they did not have an opportunity to talk about this ordinance and ask questions.

Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler commented that she had a tour of the water facility and there is a lot of corrosion in the old facility and it is losing tons of water daily. Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler did not want the safety of the resident to be jeopardized and because of that she would be voting for the ordinance. Councilwoman reported that if residents would like to come to see her she does have pictures of the facility and would discuss the situation with them.

Council President Williams reminded the residents that the facility had been in disrepair for awhile; before this administration, but nothing was done to correct the problems.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays: Councilmembers: Corbitt, Marable,**

**Abstain: None.**

**Absent: None.**

**Motion Carries.**

**There were no ordinances on introduction.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler to add Resolution 49-2014 to the consent agenda.

Resolution 50-2014 as stated before is now resolution 49-2014. A resolution to award contracts to a contract to Phoenix Integrated System LLC, 90 Ozone Avenue, Cedar Grove, New Jersey, 07009 for upgrading the access control system at the Freddie Polhill Law & Justice complex, 25-29 Park Street, Orange, New Jersey, in the amount not to exceed \$45,000.00.

Councilman Corbitt asked why is this resolution now being presented. Mr. Mayes reported that the equipment is starting to fail and there are needed repairs concerning security and doors that will not open if there was an emergency.

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**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays: None.**

**Abstain: Councilman Marable**

**Absent: None.**

**Motion Carries.**

**The Council President 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 MEMBER SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE OF THE AGENDA.

Resolutions that were pulled for separate votes were 48-2014, 46-2014.

**Motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Gaunt-Butler, to approve the Consent Agenda (with the corrections as noted) by the Township Council as follows:**

- \*45-2014**      A resolution authorizing the issuance of a raffle license (Inner City Youth Soccer Association).
- \*46-2014**      A resolution waiving the twenty (20) day period on the effective date of ordinance number 1-2014 (Sponsored by Council Member Tency A. Eason).  
**(Pulled for separate vote)**
- \*47-2014**      A resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract with PS&S, LLC, 67B Mountain Boulevard Extension, P.O. Box 4039, Warren, New Jersey 07058 for design and construction management services for Beech Avenue Water Treatment Plant Emergency Disconnect in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.
- \*48-2014**      A resolution approving the bill list for Council Meeting vote on February 18, 2014 Dated February 14, 2014 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$1,923, 541.01)  
**(Pulled for separate vote)**

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- \*49-2014      A resolution to award contracts to a contract to Phoenix Integrated System LLC, 90 Ozone Avenue, Cedar Grove, New Jersey, 07009 for upgrading the access control system at the Freddie Polhill Law & Justice complex, 25-29 Park Street, Orange, New Jersey, in the amount not to exceed \$45,000.00.

**Motion approved by unanimous vote.**

The Chair read Resolution 46-2014 by Title.

- 46-2014      A resolution waiving the twenty (20) day period on the effective date of ordinance number 1-2014 (Sponsored by Council Member Tency A. Eason).  
**Council President Williams reported on the amended 2<sup>nd</sup> 'Whereas' statement being changed from "in order for the city to immediately begin addressing the issues at this intersection," to read 'in order for the city to consider the petition deadline for March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 as amended.'**

**Motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell to approve Resolution 46-2014.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Councilmembers: Abdul-Rasheed, Corbitt, Eason, Jones-Bell

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

Abstain:

Absent:

**Motion Carries.**

The Chair read Resolution 48-2014 by Title.

48-2014. A resolution approving the bill list for Council Meeting vote on February 18, 2014 Dated February 14, 2014 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$1,923, 541.01)

The Chair reported that a \$95.00 item was being removed from the Bill List.  
The Grand Total was changed to \$1,923,446.01

Motion by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Jones-Bell, to approve Resolution 48-2014.

**Roll Call:**

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

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Nays: Councilmember: Abdul-Rasheed, Marable


Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

**Motion Carries.**

There was no other pending business.

**The meeting was adjourned by a unanimously vote at 12:30 A.M. February 19, 2014.**

  
**Madeline Smith**  
**Deputy Clerk**

  
**Donna K. Williams**  
**Council President**