

THIS WAS A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY, ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017, FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

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

Roll Call:

Present:

Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward
Councilman Christopher Jackson, At-Large
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward
Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large
Council-President Kerry Coley

Also Present:

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris Hartwyk, Business Administrator (BA)
Eric Pennington, City Attorney
Marlin Townes, Acting Legislative Research Officer
Margaret Homere, Senior Clerk,
Marty Mayes, Director of Planning/Public Work
Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer
Cpt. Dunn, Representing the Police Director
Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director

Absent: Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten

The City 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 13, 2017, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES MEETINGS

June 7, 2017 Conference & Regular Meetings

**Motion to approve the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from June 7, 2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.
Motion was approval by all.**

June 20, 2017 Conference & Regular Meetings

**Motion to approve the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from June 20, 2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.
Motion was approved by all.**

REPORTS:

DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION - None.

CONSTABLE REPORTS

- **Richard Noizy- Month of June 10, 2017-Pro Cops Security, June 24, 2017 –Monthly meeting.**
- **Richard Noizy-Month of July 15-2017 –Pro-Cops Security- July 22, 2017-Monthly Security.**
- **Cory Perkins—Month of July 2017-no activity**

OPRA REPORTS - None

COUNCIL REPORTS

Finance	No report.
Orange Housing	No report.
Library	Councilman Jackson reported he met with Ms. Sharp of the Library and she is continuing her work to improve the Library.
Planning	No report.
Fire	Director Douglass reported on the ongoing training with other towns. 70% of the hydrants in the city are complete. There will be a report to the Business Administrator within the next 2 weeks. Director Douglass answered questions regarding arson for Councilman Jackson.
Police	Cpt. Dunn reported on playground patrols this summer. The department has school crossing guards in place for the school year. Cpt. Dunn explained the general procedure when a firearm incident takes place. Business Administrator Hartwyk reported that there will be 12 officers on bikes by next summer and there was good feedback from the residents on the Bike Patrol.
Public Works	Ms. Gordon reported that there were discussions on leaf collection and snow removal issues. More improvement in the parks.
Bond Council	Mr. Everett, Bond Council. Questions regarding Ordinance 56-2016, by Councilwoman Williams were answered by the Business Administrator. She requested a detailed report from the Business Administrator on money spent. Mr. Everett provided information on purchases that were made with the Bond money for Councilwoman Williams. The Business Administrator spoke about the phone system and the wiring in the building. He is reviewing the contract with the Law Department.

Council President directs Clerk to file reports.**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

Petition by Orange voters to change from a type 1 to a Type II School District.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS

The City 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 Five (5) 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 comments.

- Mr. Larry Gaunt came to the podium and gave his time to Ms. Gaunt-Butler.
- Councilwoman April Gaunt-Butler came to the podium with a majority of the attending residents standing with her. She asked the Council Members to explain the rationale behind their 100% raise as well as what determined the amount of the raise. She spoke about the condition of the city and the financial standings of its residents. Her comments are attached. Ms. Gaunt-Butler suggested that ordinance 51-2017 be tabled.
- Jeffery Fields spoke about the letter he sent to the Council. He reported that he had contacted the Attorney General regarding the transfer of the Orange Park PILOT without City Council's consent. He also contacted that department regarding the lease of the Mary Lawn property and the approving documents. Why are City tax bills delayed? He wants to know the dates for the local finance board meeting. He also reviewed the bill list that he had issues with, commenting that the residents are paying for trips to the Black Congressional meetings and other lines of data that he had issues with.
- Ms. Alley Marshall-Rico commented on her concerns with various parking issues in Orange. Spoke about the lack of supplies at the library for residents. She spoke about other issues she had.
- Mr. Brandon Mathew spoke about Bond Ordinance 52-2017 commented that he wanted the public to know that the lots on that ordinance had already been purchase by the BOE. He requested conformation on the planning of the buildings and parking lots from the BOE and from the State. He felt that the Council should not approve the ordinance until some plans are presented by the Board of Education.
- Ms. Karen Wells agreed with Mr. Matthews, her concern was with Resolution 300-2017 asking about the emergency technology services and resolution 301-2017. She suggested that the City go to the Dell Co. and they would completely setup the City systems. The city could lease the computers. What the City is doing now does not make sense. Ms. Wells opposed the 100% raise that the Council gave themselves.

- Ms. Katalin Gordon Spoke about the election for a type I Board of Education. She spoke about her Court case with the City. What will the City Council do about the illegal payments to former City Clerk Mitchell?
- Ms. Alexis Dunbar Spoke about frustration with the City. She disagreed with the 100% raise that the City Council gave themselves. Suggested that the Council members form Committees within their wards. She stated that it is not her job to police the Council it is the Council's job to police the city.
- Ms. Gloria Stewart stated that she would like to see the Police Director and the Mayor at the meets. She asked if the City needs a Finance Director and a CFO. Ms. Stewart would like to see less walk-ons and change orders. She did not agree with the raise that the Council gave themselves. She stated that she has worked for the Board of Education for 35 years and only makes \$30,000.00. She felt she could leave her job and run for Council.
- Ms. Yasheeka Sutton stated as a new resident to the City that she is disappointed with the lack of activities and support that the youth of the city have.
- Ms. SeeAsia commended that she is an activist in the City of Newark and she is concerned about what she feels is not number one within the city and that is drug addiction and gang violence. The Council and the Administration should be working on fixing the problems within the City before hiring a PR firm to encourage people to move in Orange. That PR firm on Resolution 275-2017 does not have any connection with the City of Orange.
- Mr. Bruce Myer spoke of his history with the City of Orange. He spoke about his time on the Budget Committee and all the talent that is within the City. He commented that he and others that were on the budget committee have given up because the Council does not want to make things better. He commented on the 100% raise that the Council gave themselves and the raise that the Mayor received.
- Mr. Tyrone Tarver commented on the past and the money he still owed the City, the law suits against the city and classes that were taken by high payed employees for college courses. Spoke about the Board of Education spending hundreds of thousands dollars to fight what the residents of the city wanted. He would like the Council to explain with only one year experience why a 100% raise was justified. With regard to the Bond Ordinance he felt that it needed to be reconsidered because of the debt the City already has.
- Mr Ronald Nicolas asked for a better solution regarding the cab companies within the city and the need for more taxi signs.

Council's responses to some questions.

- Director Mayes spoke regarding the Taxi signs stating that they have been ordered.
- Business Administrator Hartwyk stated that the background checks for cab drivers take place within the Police Department and they take between 3-4 weeks. He spoke about an ordinance that would be coming to council regarding revising the licensing section. The Business Administrator reported on the items in the Bond Ordinance. The BA provided the process in which the Council and the Mayor got their increases which included a survey done by Human Resources and discussions between the Mayor and the Council.

- Councilman Jackson commented that he was happy to see residents express their thoughts regarding the Council's raises. He stated that the raises were discussed during the budget hearings and that would have been the time for the residents to express their thoughts on the matter.
- Council President Coley stated that Resolution 275-2017 cannot be discussed because it was a tabled item. He asked Ms. Sutton to reach out to the Recreation Department.
- Business Administrator Hartwyk explained that the State requires that every town have a Chief Financial Officer and the Code of the City of Orange requires that the town have a Finance Director. The Council and the Mayor have discussed the combining of the positions but no decision had been made. The Business Administrator stated that in the last year the City had tried to cut down on the walk-ons unless they cannot wait till the next meeting. The change-orders come up in business because of items that had not been anticipated, he provided examples.
- The Business Administrator stated that the Council should not comment on the Board of Education issue due to outstanding law issues.
- The Business Administrator spoke about resolution 300- and 301-2017 with regard to the cyber-attacks on the city's computer systems and why the city had to bring in computer experts to clean up the thousands of issues.
- Councilwoman Eason answered Mr. Matthews's questions regarding the Board of Education. She commented that everything that Mr. Matthews would be looking for could be obtained from Mr. James in the Board of Education. Everything that the Board of Education does is legal. All the legal work for Mary Lawn had been done. She further commented that all information is there at the Board of Education. Mr. Lee and Mr. James have everything that Mr. Matthews and Mr. Feld want to see.

Motion by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr., to close the citizen comments.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson spoke about her community give back. She will be using the additional pay to help the children and the community. She suggested that South Ward residents speak to her about things or events that she could sponsor. Councilwoman Summers-Johnson commented that the City Parks need water fountains The Business Administrator will look into that issue.

Councilwoman Eason announced that there would be free breast cancer screening at Town hall on September 14th. She also provided the information to qualify for the screening. On September 9th there will be 12 hours of community service called the 12 hours of peace. This will take place at the Central Playground. She provided information for that day and all the activities for the children.

Motion to extent the meeting by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilman Jackson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

Councilwoman Eason spoke to Business Administrator Hartwyk about the inside condition of the Dollar Store. There needs to be some kind of standard. She spoke to Director Mayes about signs that should be up on the streets.

Councilwoman Williams spoke about vacant properties that needed to be boarded up and Director Mayes stated that the properties had been boarded up. She provided an overview of salaries throughout the County and the discussions that took place during the budget hearing regarding the Council's salary increase. The Business Administrator commented on the Local Finance Board memo which discussed Elected Officials travel outside of the state. She provided information on the Italian festival on Lincoln Avenue the following Saturday and other events happening that weekend. She spoke about being ready for the upcoming storms.

Councilman Jackson thanked the citizen for coming to the meetings and encouraged residents to attend the weekend events in the City.

Councilman Johnson, Jr. spoke about the laws that were passed in the City to improve the City and asked that reports on City goals be stated for the residents' especially concerning crime and abandoned properties within the City. Thanked the residents that signed the petition regarding the School Board. He said their voices will be heard in November.

The Council President asked the Business Administrator about the budget report and audit report. He announced that his Church provided book bags to 200 students for the upcoming school year and that on Oct 8th they would be celebrating their 100th year. He made other announcements that would be taking place in Orange.

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

The Clerk read Ordinance 48-2017 by Title.

48-2017 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 (Liberty Street and Union Street)

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 48-2017.

Seeing no one, the Chair declared the time closed.

Motion to close the public hearing by Councilwomen Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 48-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.,

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley
Nays: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read Ordinance 49-2017 by Title

**49-2017 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township
Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”, Section 200-42, Schedule
XI, loading zones.**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 49-2017.

Seeing no one, the Chair declared the time closed.

**Motion to close the public hearing by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman
Johnson, Jr.**

The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

**Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 49-2017 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by
Councilman Jackson.**

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley
Nays: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten,

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read Ordinance 50-2017 by Title

**50-2017 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township
Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”, Section 200-42, Schedule
XI, loading zones.**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 50-2017.

Seeing no one, the Chair declared the time closed.

**Motion to close the public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by
Councilwoman Eason.**

The Motion was unanimously approved.

**Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 50-2017 by Councilman Jackson, seconded by
Councilwoman Williams,**

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley
Nays: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten,

Motion Carries.

51-2017 An ordinance amending and supplementing the Code of the City of Orange Township by creating Chapter 24 entitled “Defense against civil or criminal charges-Local Public Employees, Appointees and Officials”

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 51-2017.

Mr. Jeffery Feld did not agree with the ordinance providing his reasons why.

Another resident asked if the resident’s pay for elected officials or employee’s attorneys if they are proven guilty. City Attorney Pennington said no the City would not and proceeded to provide more information about the ordinance.

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

Motion to close the public hearing by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to table by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jackson, Summers-Johnson, Williams

Nays: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Coley

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten,

Motion Fails.

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 51-2017 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

On the motion:

Councilwoman Eason asked the City Attorney to go over the ordinance with regard to what it does. City Attorney Pennington provided more information. Attorney Pennington answered other questions for Council Members.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Coley

Nays: Eason, Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten,

Motion Carries.

52-2017 A Bond Ordinance providing for improvements to and demolition of building existing on, lots owned by the Board of Education and acquisition of additional lots, all for the purpose of constructing and expanding parking lots for the Orange Board of Education Public School District by the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, appropriating \$1,194,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$1,194,000 Bonds or notes of the City to finance the cost thereof.

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 52-2017.

- Mr. Matthews commented that the Historic Preservation Commission has no desire to stop improvements to the school, or to stop the building of parking spaces. He said that the Commission is just asking that the entire Master Plan for the project be presented to the Board of Education. He questioned how the Council could approve money if you don't know what the Master Plan of the project states or even if it would fit the area. The Historic Commission can provide a lot of ideas. The Commission is not against the ordinance just want to wait to get the correct information together.
- Mr. Jeffery Feld agreed that the ordinance should be delayed until certain conditions are met.
- Ms. Patricia Arthur spoke about the expansion of the school and how the green house would have to be moved for the expansion which will include elevators for the handicapped people. She spoke about the abandoned property and parking for the teachers. She spoke about what the Board of Education would be doing with one of the buildings and how it would be used for the students.
- Ms. Karen Wells from the Historic Preservation Commission stated that the Commission is not objecting to the parking but that they had not received a complete plan that shows everything that was going to be done. She would like to see their Master Plan. So why pay out one million plus dollars and not know what the residents are getting.
- Mr. Tyrone Tarver asked that the Council not adopt the ordinance. He reported on other monies that the Districts had received. He provided other information regarding the District and is not in favor of adoption of the ordinance. Items like the parking lot could wait till after the November elections and vote on monies for the District.
- Ms. Mary Mead spoke about the parking for teachers around her neighborhood and that there does not seem to be a problem of parking for teachers.. She also does not want her neighborhood paved.
- A resident from Ogden Street read the mission statement of the City. He was against the ordinance proving his reasons why.

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

Motion to close Citizen Comments by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 52-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

On the motion:

- Councilwoman Summers-Johnson commented that she did not like to vote on things that are missing information and she cannot vote for something that has so many unanswered questions. She would prefer to wait and get all the answers.

- Councilwoman Williams had the bond Counsel explain when the money can be spent by the Board of Education and by which authority.
- Councilwoman Eason expressed once more the importance of passing the ordinance at this meeting.
- The Bond Counsel provided the Council with the process that had taken place and what needs to take place for the money to be used on the projects.

Roll Call: (needs 5 Ayes to pass)

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Coley

Nays: Summers-Johnson, Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten,

Motion Fails.

A point of order called by Councilwoman Williams. She asked the City Attorney about a reconsideration vote. City Attorney Pennington stated that a vote for reconsideration had to be done before the end of the meeting.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCTION/ FIRST READING

The City Clerk read Ordinance Number 53-2017 by Title.

53-2017 An ordinance establishing a Minority Business Enterprise, Women Business Enterprise and Veteran owned business set-aside and joint venture program for the City of Orange Township.(Sponsored by Council Women Donna K. Williams)

Motion that Ordinance 53-2017 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held October 3, 2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: Eason, Jackson

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read Ordinance Number 54 -2017 by Title.

54-2017 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled 'Vehicles and Traffic" Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking spaces. (70 South Jefferson Street)

Motion that Ordinance 54-2017 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held October 3, 2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays:

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read Ordinance Number 55-2017 by Title.

55-2017 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled ‘Vehicles and Traffic’ Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking spaces. (69 North Essex Avenue)

Motion that Ordinance 55-2017 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held October 3, 2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays:

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read Ordinance Number 56 -2017 by Title.

56-2017 Bond Ordinance amending Bond Ordinance Number 9-2014 finally adopted by the City Council of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey on July 1, 2014 entitled “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 \$8,772,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$8,333,400 bonds or notes of the City to finance part of the costs thereof”, to reallocate appropriations, authorizations and down payments therein.

Motion that Ordinance 56-2017 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held October 3, 2017 by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilman Jackson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays:

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The City Clerk read Ordinance Number 57 -2017 by Title.

57-2017 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township amending Chapter 187, Article II of the City Code (five-year exemptions and abatements) to include construction of multiple dwellings or construction of commercial or industrial structures in the five-year tax exemption and abatement program.

Motion that Ordinance 57-2017 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held October 3, 2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays:

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

TABLE RESOLUTION

The City Clerk read Resolution Number 275 -2017 by Title.

275-2017 A resolution authorizing the award of the communication Services contract to Direct Development, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$64,000.00. (TABLED AT THE 8-2-2017 REGULAR MEETING.)

Motion to lift from the table by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Johnson, Jr., Williams, Coley (Councilman Jackson had left the room)

Nays: Eason, Summers-Johnson

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

Motion to table Resolution 275-2017 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason

Nays: Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Fails.

Motion to adopt Resolution 275-2017 by Councilman Johnson, Jr., seconded by Councilman Jackson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: Eason

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

Motion for reconsideration on Ordinance 52-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley
Nays: Johnson, Jr.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

Motion to table Ordinance 52-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Summers-Johnson, Williams
Nays: Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Coley
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten

Motion Fails

A motion for reconsideration of the last motion to table was given and the Clerk read Ordinance 52-2017 by title again.

52-2017 A Bond Ordinance providing for improvements to and demolition of building existing on, lots owned by the Board of Education and acquisition of additional lots, all for the purpose of constructing and expanding parking lots for the Orange Board of Education Public School District by the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, appropriating \$1,194,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$1,194,000 Bonds or notes of the City to finance the cost thereof.

Business Administrator Hartwyk requested that the Ordinance be held prior to a vote until the next meeting so questions by the Council can be addressed by the Administration. He suggested that a point of order be given and it was by Councilman Johnson, Jr. After further discussion Councilwoman Williams requested a recess so the City Attorney and Attorney Townes could confer.

**Motion to recess by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Jackson.
The Motion was unanimously approved.**

**Motion to reconvene by Councilwoman Williams, seconded Councilman Jackson.
The Motion was unanimously approved.**

Motion to suspend the rules by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley
Nays: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

BA Hartwyk requested that Ordinance 52-2017 be carried to September 15, 2017 so questions by the Council can be addressed.

Motion to carry over Ordinance 52-2017 to the next meeting by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Clerk announces:

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 request, in which event, the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence of the agenda.

Councilwoman Eason stated 'Point of Order' and asked if any item that needed to be discussed be carried over till the next meeting. There was no response to that so the meeting continued.

RESOLUTION NUMBERS *282-2017 –*306-2017

- *282-2017 A resolution re-appointing Mary L. Reed Learmont, a resident of Orange, New Jersey as a Regular Member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Orange Township, New Jersey.**
- *283-2017 A resolution mourning the passing of Mr. Hurley Coley (Sponsored by Council- President Kerry Coley.**
- *284-2017 A resolution celebrating the 100th anniversary of Bethel Baptist Church (Sponsored by Council President Kerry J. Coley)**
- *285-2017 A resolution celebrating the life of Johnnie M. Hall, Jr. (Sponsored by Council Woman Donna K. Williams)**
- *286-2017 A resolution celebrating the life of Dr. Irving A. Childress (Sponsored by Council Woman Donna K. Williams)**
- *287-2017 A resolution celebrating the life of Luis Pillcorema (Sponsored by Council Woman Donna K. Williams)**
- *288-2017 A resolution to cancel certain grant receivable and appropriation balances. (Removed for a separate vote)**

- *289-2017** Resolution amending Resolution 261-2017 entitled ‘A resolution authorizing the tax collector to collect property taxes by ACH’ and increasing the transaction fee for each ACH payment collected.
- *290-2017** A resolution authorizing the tax collector to refund the subsequent water paid by the outside lien holder, Tower Capital Management, LLC for property known as 58 Cleveland Street, Block 2102, Lot 9 in the amount of \$636.59.
- *291-2017** A resolution authorizing the tax collector to refund the subsequent taxes paid by the outside lien holder, Tower Capital Management, LLC for property known as 430 Scotland Road, Block 5103, Lot 29 in the amount of \$9,213.93.
- *292-201** A resolution authorizing the tax collector to refund the subsequent water paid by the outside lien holder, Pro Cap 6, LLC for property known as 499 Tremont Avenue, Block 5901, Lot 34 in the amount of \$506.35.
- *293-2017** A resolution authorizing the Orange Planning Board to amend the Central Orange Redevelopment Plan.
- *294-2017** Resolution authorizing Remington & Vernick Engineers, One Harmon Plaza, Suite 210, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094 to provide professional engineering services for the Parkview Terrace Roadway Resurfacing in an amount not to exceed \$15,700.00.
- *295-2017** A resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract with Pennoni Associates, Inc., 24 Commerce Street, Suite 300, Newark, New Jersey 07102 to provide professional engineering, surveying, design and construction administration services for the 2017 NJDOT Roadway Improvements to Berwick Street and Lakeside Avenue in the amount not to exceed \$49,500.00.
- *296-2017** A resolution authorizing the awarding of a contract for the High and Alden Street Park Fencing Improvements with twenty-one 8” bollards to National Fence Systems, 1033 Route 1, Avenel, New Jersey 07001 in the amount not to exceed \$90,875.00.
- *297-2017** Resolution of the City of Orange Township authorizing an emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 to satisfy the court order judgment mandating an increase in the Law Department salaries and wages and authorizing the issuance of emergency notes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51

- *298-2017** Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 to modify the contract with Magic Touch Construction Co., 59 W. Front Street, Keyport, New Jersey 07735 for electrical services to all city-owned buildings for the 2017 calendar year.
- *299-2017** Resolution authoring Change Order No. 1 to modify the contract with Burlew Mechanical, LLC, 484 South Pine Ave., South Amboy, New Jersey 08879 for plumbing services to all city-owned buildings for the 2017 calendar year
- *300-2017** A resolution amending Resolution Number 242-2017 and authorizing the amendment of the emergency professional services to eMazzanti Technologies for emergency technology services from an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$310,000.00.
- *301-2017** A resolution of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey authorizing emergency notes in an amount not to exceed \$310,000 to fund the award of an emergency professional services agreement to eMazzanti Technologies.
- *302-2017** A resolution to authorize and confirm a shared services agreement with the Township of Belleville for Public Health Services.
- *303-2017** Resolution regarding the total and permanent disability of Orange Fire Department member pension #3-00769009.
- *304-2017** A resolution amending resolution No. 192-2017 authorizing the disbursement of a cash incentive to Orange Municipal Employees and Elected Officials who waive health care benefits.
- *305-2017** Resolution of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey authorizing the submission of an application to the Local Finance Board requesting approval of a bond ordinance under the provisions of the Municipal Qualified Bond Act, N.J.S.A. §40A:3-1.

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

The Clerk read Resolution 288-2017 by title.

288-2017 A resolution to cancel certain grant receivable and appropriation balances.

Motion to adopt Resolution 288-2017 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

On the Motion:

Councilwoman Williams asked Business Administrator Hartwyk for a copy of the submissions to the State.

He replied yes.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Eason, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Coley,

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Wooten

Motion Carries.

NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS - None.

OTHER PENDING BUSINESS - None

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

By consensus the regular meeting adjourned at 12:35 A.M. September 6, 2017

Approved:

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Kerry Coley
Council President

Councilwoman April Gaunt-Butler September 5, 2017 comments are available in the Clerk's Office for review.