

April 11, 2024

The Remote and in Person Regular Meeting of Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 7:00pm with Mayor Lisa Jampetti present. Council President Ricci opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Kasey Attianese, Ingrid Nieves-Clark, Steve Dash, Nanette Galloway, Donna Heist, Kim Hesse, Karl Timbers and Mason Wright.

Council Pres. Ricci called the meeting to order and made the following announcement:

In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Egg Harbor City Common Council was provided in the following manner:

1. Advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Egg Harbor City Hall Bulletin Board.
2. Advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Egg Harbor City website.
3. Advance written notice of this meeting was sent to the Hammonton Gazette and the AC Press.

Council President Ricci stated the meeting is being conducted via Zoom, conference call and in person. The meeting is also being recorded to air on the Egg Harbor City website, Channel 97 and Facebook.

Council Pres. Ricci asked if there was any comment from the public on any agenda item, and there was no comment. Ben Risley, 2058 Liverpool Avenue came before Mayor and Council. Mr. Risley expressed his concerns with the Non-Profit Tax Exemptions on the agenda. Council Pres. Ricci explained that they have met the criteria for Tax Exemption with the Assessor. Mr. Risley stated the City should be making sure the properties that are given tax exemptions for their use are permitted uses in the zones. Council Pres. Ricci stated the City is looking into the tax exemption concerns.

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Hesse and carried, the March 14, 2024 Council meeting minutes were approved.

Mayors Report: Mayor Jampetti stated the City Engineer Ryan McGowan and her met with the NJDEP. Mayor Jampetti gave an update on upcoming events in the City. Mayor Jampetti stated the Mayors Wellness Walk will be on April 21st and the City Wide Clean Up is May 4th.

Committee Chair Reports: Council Pres. Ricci gave an update on the Redevelopment Committee and the Building and Code Enforcement Committee. Specifically speaking on 111 New York Avenue, a dilapidated church on Philadelphia Avenue near Moss Mill Road and the demolition of Weisbecker's Cleaners. Council Pres. Ricci stated the City is looking into have the Department of Public Works cut the grass on properties in violation. Mayor Jampetti questioned whether it would be cost effective to have public works cut grass for properties in violation. Councilwoman Heist gave an update on DPW. Councilwoman Attianese gave an update on Parks and Playgrounds. Attianese stated the Campground Manager has not submitted the required 2024 Capital Improvement Plan for the campground. Council Pres. Ricci asked the City Attorney to send a letter to the Campground Manager stating they are in violation of the agreement. Councilman Timbers gave an update on the EHC Land Use board. City Clerk Meg Steeb stated there will be an orientation meeting for the 2024 lake staff on May 8, 2024 at 6:00pm. Ms. Steeb stated a representative from Statewide will be there to give safety training to the 2024 lake staff. Councilwoman Hesse stated the Sam Weiner Easter Egg

Hunt was a success, and thanked EHC Police Officers Thomas White and Darryl Fonville for their participation. Councilwoman Galloway gave an update on Sustainable EHC.

Chief of Police Report: Chief Aylwin gave an update on the EHCPD.

CFO Report: N/A

City Clerk Report: N/A

City Attorney Report: City Attorney Angela Costigan gave an update on the Tower Site project and explained the Stormwater Ordinance on the agenda. Ms. Costigan also stated the City received an application for a Class 1 Cultivator City License.

Engineer's Report: City Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on ongoing projects in the City.

Motion to Approve: Upon motion of Galloway, seconded by Hesse and carried, the following event in EHC were approved: Peace Pilgrim Celebration and Walk on July 20, 2024 at peace Pilgrim Park.

Introduce Ordinance:

ORDINANCE #7-2024
CALENDAR YEAR 2024

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A.40a:4-454.14)

Upon motion of Timbers, seconded by Heist and carried, Ordinance #6-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Dash and carried, the Notice of Introduction of Ordinance #6-2024 will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on April 17, 2024 for a Public Hearing on April 25, 2024.

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #75-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #75-2024
INTRODUCTION OF YEAR 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Upon motion of Timbers, seconded by Galloway and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #76-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #76-2024
2024 TEMPORARY BUDGET

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #77-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #77-2024
2024 STANDARD BUSINESS MILEAGE RATE

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #78-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #78-2024
CV 1 /CV3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRAND FUNDS

Upon motion of Galloway, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #79-2024, attached hereto and made a part of minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #79-2024
MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN A COOPERATIVE
PRICING SYSTEM MOESC

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #80-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #80-2024
RESCINDING RESOLUTION #70-2024
AUTHORIZED ON MARCH 14, 2024

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #81-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-abstain,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #81-2024
AWARD THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF TWO (2) GAS HEAT AND
SPLIT DX COOLING HVAC SYSTEMS FOR THE EHC SENIOR CENTER TO
HUTCHINS HVAC THROUGH MONMOUTH OCEAN
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION GROUP

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Galloway and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #82-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #82-2024
TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #83-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was a approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #83-2024
CANCEL BALANCE OF UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Timbers and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #84-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #84-2024
REFUND OF PROPERTY 1ST QUARTER TAXES DUE TO 100% DISABLED
VETERAN STATUS

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #85-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #85-2024
NON-PROFIT TAX EXEMPTION-PEOPLE RESCUE

Upon motion of Dash, second Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #86-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-no)

RESOLUTION #86-2024
NON-PROFIT TAX EXEMPTION-CERAMIC TILE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #87-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #87-2024
PROCLAIMING APRIL NATIONAL SAFE DIGGING MONTH

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Heist and carried, Resolution #88-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #88-2024
OPPOSING THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY NEW PROPOSED SHORE
PROTECTION RULE

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Attianese and carried, Resolution #89-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.

RESOLUTION #89-2024
SUPPORTING SUBMISSION OF A PROJECT FOR GRANT FUNDING THE USDA
COMMUNITY FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM BY ATLANTIC OCUNTY FOR
THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW K9 TRAINING ACADEMY FACILITY

Introduce Ordinance:

ORDINANCE #7-2024
AMENDING CHAPTER 170, LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT, CHAPTER 233,
STORMWATER CONTROL, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR,
COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Wright and carried, Ordinance #7-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Clark and carried, the Notice of Introduction of Ordinance #7-2024 will be advertised on the Hammonton Gazette on April 17, 2024 for a Public Hearing on April 25, 2024.

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #2-2024
AMENDING CHAPTER 189 TITLED NOISE
OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR

Wright made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #2-2024, the motion was seconded by Galloway and carried. Council Pres. Ricci asked if anyone from the public had comment. EHC resident Tracey Mulherin questioned the restricted hours on weekends. Ms. Mulherin thought 12:00am was too late. Councilwoman Clark stated the new time is earlier than what it was previously. Wright made a motion to close the Public Hearing, the motion was seconded by Attianese and carried. Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #2-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted, and the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on April 17, 2024.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #3-2024
AMENDING CHAPTER 178 TITLED LITTERING OF
THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR

Wright made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #3-2024, the motion was seconded by Hesse and carried. Council Pres. Ricci asked if anyone from the public had comment and there was no public comment. Wright made a motion to close the Public Hearing, the motion was seconded by Hesse and carried. Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Wright and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #3-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted, and the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on April 17, 2024.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #4-2024
AMENDING CHAPTER 213 TITLED PROPERTY MAINTENANCE OF THE
CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR

Attianese made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #4-2024, the motion was seconded by Heist and carried. Council Pres. Ricci asked if anyone from the public

had comment, and there was no comment from the public. Wright made a motion to close the Public Hearing, the motion was seconded by Clark and carried. Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Clark and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #4-2024, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was adopted, and the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on April 17, 2024.

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #5-2024
AMENDING CHAPTER 230 TITLED SOLID WASTE OF THE
CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR

Council Pres. Ricci stated Ordinance #5-2024 needed to be tabled. Ricci stated at a recent Code Enforcement meeting it was determined that there might be a problem with requiring 96-gallon trash cans at rental properties with multiple units. Ricci stated it may be better to require a dumpster at these properties. Ricci stated the ordinance needed to be reviewed further. Heist made a motion to table the Public Hearing, the motion was seconded by Dash and carried.

Upon motion of Wright, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call vote, the Bill List attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Wright-yes,Ricci-yes)

Mayor and Council Comments: Mayor Jiampetti thanked everyone who helped out with the Easter Egg Hunt. Dash thanked CFO Jodi Kahn for her work in preparing the 2024 Budget. Wright and Clark gave an update on the EHC Crusaders. Attianese recognized Telecommunicators and stated April 14th is National Telecommunicators Day. Galloway stated if anyone had anything for the May Newsletter to get it to her as soon as possible.

Public Comment: Ben Risley, 2058 Liverpool came before Mayor and Council. Risley stated the EHC Campground Manager has hired him to do the plans for the decking at the campground. Risley state he has filed an OSHA Complaint on 1400 White Horse Pike. Risley had questions about downed trees in the city, and who was responsible to have them removed. Risley asked if there was an ordinance on Short Term Rentals, and he was told there was not an ordinance.

Upon motion of Clark, seconded by Dash and carried, the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully Submitted, Meg Steeb/City Clerk, RMC