

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

***REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL***

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020
TIME: 7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark was called to order at 7:11 PM, by Borough Clerk Kevin D. Harris.

MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT

Borough Clerk Harris read the following statement.

Open Public Meetings Act – This meeting is being held in accordance with the Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 231 and proper notification was issued to the Jersey Journal, Star Ledger and posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and on the official Borough website.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Grilo lead the Assembly present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Borough Clerk Harris conducted a roll call of the dais.

Present:

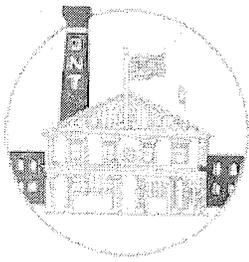
Mayor Dina M. Grilo
Council Member Jessica Diaz
Council Member Rose M. Evaristo
Council Member Kenneth J. Graham
Council Member Hans Peter Lucas
Council Chairman Charles F. Tighe

Absent:

Council Member Jeanne Zincavage

Also Present:

Brigite Goncalves, Chief Financial Officer
John M. Johnson, Esq., Borough Attorney
Melanie Mattos, Office of the Mayor
Kevin D. Harris, Borough Clerk



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PRESENTATION

Presentation to the Mayor and Council by Frank Pestana of the North Bergen Municipal Utility Authority, Michael Witt of the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission and Tim Dupuis, P.E., of CDM Smith on the “Long-Term Control Plan” for the combined sewer overflow (CSO) Communities.

The Mayor and Council received a presentation from the above. Mr. Pestana addressed the Council regarding a 2/26/2020 Meeting of Hudson County Mayor and presented an outline of topic discussed at the aforementioned 2/26/2020 Meeting of Mayors.

Mr. Witt addressed the Council and outlined the proposed Plan and East Newark’s part in said plan.

Mr. Dupuis addressed the Council providing a summary of the Plan, when a course of action would have to be taken which would be in or around July 2020 and the level of control accountable to the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

Upon the conclusion of the presentation, the presenters entertained questions from the Mayor and Council which they answered. Mayor Grilo thanked the presenters for speaking to the Council.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

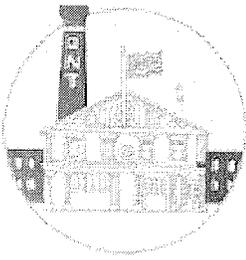
Borough Clerk Harris read the title for the following ordinance:

04-2020 An Ordinance Amending Chapter II Entitled “Administration”, Article II, “Offices Created” By Creating the Position OF Borough Administrator In The Borough of East Newark, In The County of Hudson, State of New Jersey.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the above ordinance.

Council Member Lucas moved that Ordinance Number 04-2020 be introduced on first reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Diaz and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz		X	X			
Evaristo			X			
Graham			X			
Lucas	X		X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage						X



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ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING (CONT.)

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion regarding Ordinance Number 04-2020 carried. Ordinance Number 04-2020 was introduced on first reading by title only. Borough Clerk Harris announced that the date for the public hearing and possible second reading for Ordinance Number 04-2020 would be the Meeting of the Mayor and Council scheduled for Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at 7:00 PM.

Borough Clerk Harris read the title for the following ordinance:

05-2020 An Ordinance To Fix Salaries Of Certain Employees The Borough of East Newark.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the above ordinance.

Council Chairman Tighe moved that Ordinance Number 05-2020 be introduced on first reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Evaristo and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo		X	X			
Graham			X			
Lucas			X			
Tighe	X		X			
Zincavage						X

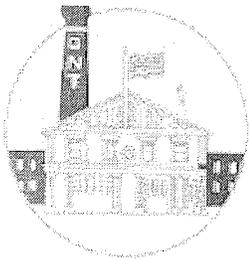
Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion regarding Ordinance Number 05-2020 carried. Ordinance Number 05-2020 was introduced on first reading by title only. Borough Clerk Harris announced that the date for the public hearing and possible second reading for Ordinance Number 05-2020 would be the Meeting of the Mayor and Council scheduled for Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at 7:00 PM.

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

Borough Clerk Harris read the title for the following ordinance:

01-2020 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Section 50.4(B) Of The Municipal Code Of The Borough East Newark Titled "Fee's Charged For Marriage & Civil Union Ceremonies"

Public Hearing: Borough Clerk Harris opened the meeting to the public and asked if there were any members of the public wishing to be heard regarding Ordinance Number 01-2020. There were no members of the public wishing to speak regarding this ordinance and Borough Clerk Harris closed



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the public hearing regarding Ordinance Number 01-2020.

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING (CONT.)

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the above ordinance.

Council Member Graham moved that Ordinance Number 01-2020 be adopted on second reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Evaristo and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo		X	X			
Graham	X		X			
Lucas			X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage						X

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion regarding Ordinance Number 01-2020 carried. Ordinance Number 01-2020 was adopted on second reading by title only.

Borough Clerk Harris read the title for the following ordinance:

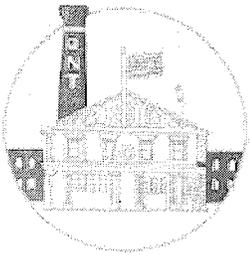
02-2020 An Ordinance To Fix Salaries Of Certain Employees The Borough of East Newark.

Public Hearing: Borough Clerk Harris open the meeting to the public and asked if there were any members of the public wishing to be heard regarding Ordinance Number 02-2020. There were no members of the public wishing to speak regarding this ordinance and Borough Clerk Harris closed the public hearing regarding Ordinance Number 02-2020.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the above ordinance.

Council Member Evaristo moved that Ordinance Number 02-2020 be adopted on second reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lucas and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo	X		X			
Graham			X			
Lucas		X	X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage						X



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ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING (CONT.)

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion regarding Ordinance Number 02-2020 carried. Ordinance Number 02-2020 was adopted on second reading by title only.

Borough Clerk Harris read the title for the following ordinance:

03-2020 Ordinance To Exceed The Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits And To Establish A Cap Bank(N.J.S.A. 40a:4-45.14)

Public Hearing: Borough Clerk Harris opened the meeting to the public and asked if there were any members of the public wishing to be heard regarding Ordinance Number 03-2020. There were no members of the public wishing to speak regarding this ordinance and Borough Clerk Harris closed the public hearing regarding Ordinance Number 03-2020.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the above ordinance.

Council Member Evaristo moved that Ordinance Number 03-2020 be adopted on second reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lucas and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo	X		X			
Graham			X			
Lucas		X	X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage						X

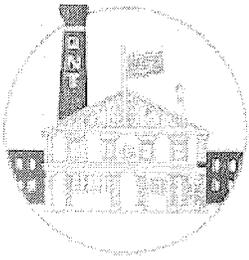
Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion regarding Ordinance Number 03-2020 carried. Ordinance Number 03-2020 was adopted on second reading by title only.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

Borough Clerk Harris read the titles for the following resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

56-20 Resolution Approving Right-of-Way Use To Cross River Fiber

57-20 Resolution Supporting A Preliminary Preferred Alternative For The Replacement of Essex County/Hudson County – Bridge Street Bridge Over The Passaic River And Improvements To The Approach Roadway Intersections In The City Of Newark And Town of Harrison, New Jersey



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RESOLUTIONS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)

58-20 Resolution Appointing Lawrence Handlin As Fire Inspector

59-20 Resolution Appointing Kevin D. Harris As Borough Clerk And Registrar of Vital Statistics For The Borough of East Newark Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:9-133 Et Seq. And Section 2-8 Of The Borough Code

60-20 Resolution Calling On The Governor And United States Congressional Delegation From New Jersey To Provide Economic Relief For The Implementation Of The USEPA And NJDEP Mandated "Long-Term Control Plan" for Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO) communities

Borough Attorney Johnson announced that the copy of Resolution Number 56-20 which was presented to Council Members this evening would replace and supersede the Resolution of the same number previously submitted.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if Council Members wished to have any of the above resolutions removed for separate vote. There were no requests to remove resolutions for separate vote.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

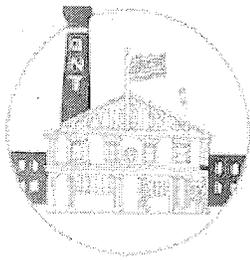
Council Member Evaristo moved that the resolutions on the Consent Agenda be adopted by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Diaz and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz		X	X			
Evaristo	X		X			
Graham			X			
Lucas			X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage						X

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion carried. Resolutions numbered 56-20; 57-20; 58-20; 59-20 and 60-20 were all adopted.

OPEN MEETING OF PUBLIC CITIZENS

Borough Clerk Harris opened the meeting to the public and asked if there were any members of the public wishing to address the Mayor and Council on any issue. None of the members of the public



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present wished to address the Mayor and Council and Borough Clerk Harris closed the open meeting of public citizens.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Mayor and Council that there is one (1) resolution on to be discussed in Executive Session.

61-20 Resolution Authorizing An Executive Session At The March 11, 2020 Regular Meeting Of The Mayor And Council Of The Borough Of East Newark

Matter/(OPMA Exception) - Personnel Matters (Personnel/Attorney/Client Privilege)

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there is a motion regarding the above resolution.

Council Member Evaristo moved that the Resolution Number 61-20 be adopted by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Chairman Tighe and approved on the following roll call vote:

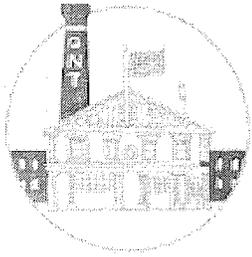
Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo	X		X			
Graham			X			
Lucas			X			
Tighe		X	X			
Zincavage						X

Borough Clerk Harris announced the result of the vote and that the motion carried. Resolution Number 61-20 was adopted. The Mayor and Council recessed the regular meeting and entered Executive Session at 8:07 PM.

During the Executive Session, Mayor Grilo and Borough Attorney Johnson addressed the Council regarding Personnel Matters. Council Members were asked if there were any questions which Mayor Grilo and Attorney Johnson attempted to answer. Executive Session ended at 8:16 PM and the regular meeting reconvened.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

All Members called during the previous roll call were still present.



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MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

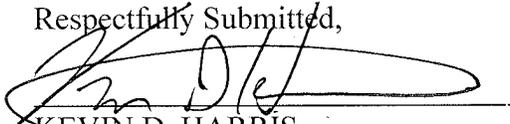
Mayor Grilo announced that the Council Members were in receipt of monthly reports from the following departments: (1) Finance; (2) Municipal Court; (3) Police Department; & (4) Fire Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Lucas moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Evaristo and approved unanimously on voice vote (with Council Member Zincavage being absent). The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Borough Clerk Harris announced that the next Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of East Newark would be on Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,


 KEVIN D. HARRIS
 Borough Clerk

Dated: April 7, 2020

Accepted and approved by Council: April 9, 2020

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo	X		X			
Graham			X			
Lucas			X			
Tighe		X	X			
Zincavage					X	