PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Please be advised that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been complied with and satisfied in the that the annual notice which gave sufficient notice of the time, place and conduct of all public meetings of the Municipal Council of the City of New Brunswick, has been filed by the City Clerk, has been placed on an appropriate bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and has been transmitted to the official Newspaper for the City of New Brunswick, namely the Home News Tribune; as provided in a resolution adopted by this governing body.

Salute to the Flag..............................................................Leslie Zeledon
Pause for a moment to honor those American, Iraqis, and Afghans who have lost their lives in this current conflict.

Staff in attendance: Inspections Alex Adkins
Social Services Director David Blevins
Library Director Robert Belvin
Public Information Officer Jennifer Bradshaw
Assessor Phil Duchesneau
Assistant City Attorney Charly Gayden
Engineer Tom Valenti
Community Organizer Keith Jones
Water Utility Director Mark Lavenberg
City Administrator Thomas A. Loughlin, 3rd
Assistant Business Administrator Officer Russell Marchetta
Police Capt JT Miller
Economic Development Director Glenn Patterson
City Attorney TK Shamy
Videographer Golda Speyer
Management Specialist Briana Suffy
City Clerk Daniel Torrisi
Purchasing Agent Joanne Vitanza
Fireman Chris Stellatella
Deputy City Clerk Leslie Zeledon

On motion of Council Member Garlatti, seconded by Council Member Fleming and carried, the minutes of the previous Council Meetings held on December 16, 2015 were approved and adopted as engrossed.

Meeting called to order by Council President Egan with Council Members Anderson, Escobar, Fleming, Garlatti present.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

O-011001  AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 15 BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION RE: ABANDONED PROPERTIES REHABILITATION ORDINANCE

On a motion of Council Member Garlatti, seconded by Council Member Escobar, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on February 3 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
Aye: Anderson, Escobar, Fleming, Garlatti, Egan
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.

O-011602 SALARY ORDINANCE - FMBA #217
FOR: 2015 - 2021

On a motion of Council Member Garlatti, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on February 3 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
Aye: Anderson, Escobar, Fleming, Garlatti, Egan
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.

O-011603 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, SCHEDULE 24, “NO PARKING ANYTIME”
RE: NEILSON STREET

On a motion of Council Member Garlatti, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on February 3 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
Aye: Anderson, Escobar, Fleming, Garlatti, Egan
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.

O-011604 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, SCHEDULE 8-B “LOADING ZONES”
RE: NEILSON STREET

On a motion of Council Member Garlatti, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on February 3 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
Aye: Anderson, Escobar, Fleming, Garlatti, Egan
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.

O-011605 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE O-127802 FIXING SALARIES AND WAGES OF VARIOUS EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION
FOR: 2015 – 2018

On a motion of Council Member Garlatti, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on February 3 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
Aye: Anderson, Escobar, Fleming, Garlatti, Egan
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.
COMMUNICATIONS

1. A legal notification regarding an application submitted by GreenVest, LLC, to the NJDEP.
2. A Freshwater Wetlands Statewide General Permit# 1 Application Notice to all Municipal Clerks from PSEG.
3. A letter from the NJ Dept. of Transportation with an attached approved Traffic Regulation Order.
4. An invoice from Suburban Consulting Engineers for the Relocate Water & Sewer Mains on Charles Street.
5. A letter from Franklin Burr regarding space heaters.
6. A copy of a permit from the DEP Division of Land Use Regulation for New Jersey Water Supply Authority.
8. A letter from Verizon regarding a Pole License Application for High Street, NB, NJ.

RESOLUTIONS

Public Comment: Charles Kratovil asked questions about R-011630, R-011631 R-011639, R-011641, R-011645, R-011646, R-011648, R-011652, R-011680, R-011666, R-011675, R-011678, and R-011690. Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Shamy, Mr. Lavenberg, CP Egan and CM Anderson responded.
Resolutions R-011626 through R-011692, moved by Council Member Escobar, seconded by Council Member Fleming and carried were adopted, on consent, by the Municipal Council.

Roll Call:

Aye: Anderson, Escobar, Fleming, Garlatti, Egan
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION REPORT

Erin Connelly, Chairperson of Environmental Commission spoke about the accomplishments and goals. They are listed as Anti Idling Campaign, Urban Pollinator Garden, events with the Lower Raritan Partnership, creating a fish ladder, study of chemicals in the Raritan River, NJDEP Monitoring of the PSE&G Gasworks site. Septic Service at Buccleuch Park, Park Day, Raritan River Festival, New Brunswick Block Captains, and a Rutgers Village to AMC Cinemas walk.

Danielle Moore of Rutgers St. spoke about broken crosswalk switches and potholes on French St, lack of police presence at Livingston and Delevan Streets on school days, and the sanitary sewer project on Joyce Kilmer Ave. CP Egan responded. Xavier Franko spoke about police on Livingston Avenue, contacting Capt. JT Miller, the Police Director, Mayor, and Public Works Director. Charles Kratovil spoke about Legionnaires Disease, corruption, water testing, the EPA, and falsification of records. Mr. Loughlin and CP Egan responded. Erin Connelly asked about after school programs for children. CP Egan responded.

On a motion regularly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Daniel A. Torrisi  Kevin P. Egan
City Clerk  Council President