PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Please be advised that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been complied with and satisfied in 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.................................................................Shalon Bennett
Pause for a moment to honor those American, Iraqis, and Afghanis who have lost their lives in this current conflict.

On motion of Council Member Garlatti, seconded by Council Member Fleming and carried, the minutes of the previous Council Meetings held on November 3, 2016 were approved and adopted as engrossed.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

O-081603 AN INITIATIVE PETITION ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 8, CHAPTER 56, PROVIDING FOR PAID SICK TIME AND PAID SAFE TIME LEAVE WITHIN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Council President Egan opened the Public Hearing on the above ordinance. CP Egan asked Mr. Patterson to make a brief and to the point summary of the current ordinance and the proposed ordinance. Mr. Shamy gave his legal opinion of the proposed ordinance and its omission of protection to “outside warehouse workers”. Mr. Shamy concluded that the proposed ordinance does not protect “outside warehouse workers”.

Public Comment: Analilia Mejia, Director of NJ Working Families spoke in support of the ordinance.
She refused to answer Mr. Shamy’s questions regarding her signature as the Affidavit of Circulator for a number of the initiative petitions submitted. Others speaking in support of the proposed initiative ordinance were: Renaldo Cruz of New Labor, Mario Corlone of New Brunswick, Bonfila Larkin of Espiranza Project, Novia Perez of Espiranza Project Alex Gutierrez of B. J. Union, Darlene Smith of the Rutgers Administration Union, Brian Powers, Sean Connelly of the NJ Time to Care Union, Silvio Rodriguez, Evelyn Libman of AARP, Milagros of Espiranza Project, John Bingham of College Democrats, Craig Garcia of NJ Working Families.

On a motion of Council Member Fleming, seconded by Council Member Anderson, the above ordinance was defeated on Final Reading on September 6, 2016.

Roll Call:

Aye:
Nay: Anderson, Fleming, Egan
Abstain: 
Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

None

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A letter from Louis Berger to DEVCO that amends and supplements the response action outcome dated September 3, 2015.
2. A letter from Town Clock Community Development Corporation to request a final inspection on 9 Bayard St.
3. A bill from Pro Tow of Indiana to pay for a towed vehicle and storage fees.
5. A letter from Theresa E. Ward, member of the Edison Township Board of Education and Chair of the Board's State Aid Committee for School Funding.

The correspondence will be forwarded to the appropriate departments for further action.
RESOLUTIONS

Public Comment: Charles Kratovil asked questions about R-091610, R-091616, R-091617, R-091618, R-091620, R-091623, R-091630, R-091631, R-091632, R-091633, R-091634, R-091642.

Resolutions R-091601 through R-091644, moved by Council Member Fleming, seconded by Council Member Anderson and carried were adopted, on consent, by the Municipal Council.

Roll Call:
Aye: Anderson, Fleming, Egan
Nay: 
Abstain: 
Motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Loughlin recognized newly appointed Marie James in her position as City Purchasing Agent. CP Egan congratulated Ms. James in her new position and congratulated retiring City Purchasing Agent Joanne Vitanza. Danielle Moore of 188 Rutgers Street informed the Council of crosswalk deficiencies at the intersections of Lee and Comstock and Lee and Delevan. Mr. Valenti responded. Mr. Kratovil spoke about violence in the City, Firefighter Dell Walker, a shooting in the Aldi parking lot, and former city employee Richard Patterson. CP Egan, Capt. Miller, and Mr. Loughlin responded.

On a motion regularly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:25P.M.

Daniel A. Torrisi
City Clerk

Kevin P. Egan
Council President