

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT**

Distributed: 3/15/18

Approved: 3/20/18

The meeting was called to order by Council President David Naidu at 7:30 PM. The City Clerk then read the following notice:

“Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the City Clerk in the preparation of the Council Annual Meeting Notice of Closed Session and Regular Meetings, dated January 8, 2018 which set forth the date, time, and place of this meeting and by properly posting such notice and forwarding the notice to those designated newspapers and the persons requesting meeting notices. Please be further advised that the FIRE EXITS are to my RIGHT your left, and at the BACK OF THE ROOM.

Please be further advised that the City has an Assistive Listening System for the hearing impaired. We have three (3) assistive hearing devices. If anyone needs them, please raise your hand and the device will be brought to you. Please return them to the City Clerk or leave them with the Police Dispatcher.”

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Councilmembers Bowman, Fox, Gould, Little, McTernan, Ogden and Council President Naidu

ABSENT: None

Also in attendance were Mayor Radest and staff members Rogers, Cascais, Evers, Gerba, Licatese, Weck and City Solicitor Giacobbe.

Minutes of this meeting are recorded on CD # 2018-05 - 7:36:44 pm - 9:08:13 pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chief Weck

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular and Closed Session Minutes of February 21, 2018 - On motion of Councilmember Gould, duly seconded and unanimously approved.

Postponement of Presentations – Council President Naidu advised that due to Governor Murphy’s declaration of a State of Emergency because of the impending nor’easter, all of the presentations scheduled for this evening, including the Summit Historical Minute were postponed. The only exception was the Mayor’s proclamation presentation proclaiming the month of March as *American Red Cross Month*.

## REPORTS

Items/issues noted hereunder, if any, reflect those recommending and/or needing action by City department(s) or at a future council meeting.

- Mayor, City Administrator and Council President (Summit Historical Minute)

## CEREMONIAL AWARDS

American Red Cross Month – Mayor Radest presented the proclamation to Christy Hodde, Executive Director of the American Red Cross New Jersey Crossroads Chapter. Sam, a high school student from Chatham and member of the American Red Cross, spoke of the need for blood donations and encouraged all to donate.

- Fire Chief's Awards (*postponed to April 3*)

## PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Partnership for Public Arts/Summit Report - Vivian Furman and Estelle Fournier, Co-Chairs (*postponed, date to be determined*)

Spacial Data Logic (SDL) Construction Permit Software Demonstration - Paul Cascais, Director - Department of Community Services (*postponed to April 3*)

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

School Safety – Felipe Colon, 21 Gloucester Road, shared his concerns regarding school safety in Summit schools and praised Police Chief Weck for his responsiveness to his phone call. Mr. Colon asked specific questions regarding safety measures being taken in the schools.

Carol Pak Teng, 234 Summit Avenue, advised that she was leading a school walk-out at the elementary school level at Lincoln-Hubbard on March 14 and has invited parents and students from all elementary schools to participate. She spoke of the reasons for the effort as well as the steps she has taken to coordinate the event and expressed the need for a venue and police security for the event.

Resident, 77 Ashwood Avenue, advised that she initiated the Jefferson School walk-out in response to the Parkland incident in an effort to empower the children. She stated that she was looking for the town's support.

Chief Weck responded to the comments made as follows:

1. Described the proactive measures taken by the Summit Police Department regarding training, equipment and construction at the schools relative to school security.
2. Safety of students, teachers and faculty is paramount.
4. Elementary school walk-out will detract from the voice and efforts of the middle and high school students and suggested having elementary school level walk-out on a different date.
6. Spoke of the challenges with supporting other efforts and providing city resources at the same time as the high school and middle school student walk-out is planned to occur on the same day, at the same time.
7. The police department has a good relationship with the Board of Education and continues to

work with it on school security.

Mayor Radest commented as follows:

1. School safety measures have existed for years, not just after the Parkland incident.
2. Regarding an elementary school walk-out, agrees that it is important to empower children, but is concerned about security and resources.
3. Not sure an elementary school walk-out needs to happen at all or on the same day as the high school/middle school walk-out.

Councilmember Gould:

1. Summit police and fire departments are among the best in the state.
2. The police department takes shooter situations very seriously.
3. New Jersey is one of the safest states for gun safety, but we can always do better.
4. Encouraged citizens to reach out to local legislators.
5. Glad to see students leading the charge.

Councilmember Ogden:

1. As a second grade teacher, reassured speakers that teachers are trained for such situations and students are teachers' top priority.
2. Encouraged parents to work with the Board of Education, teachers and principal to empower children in other ways.

Sanitary Sewer Problems at Mt. Vernon Avenue & Request for Belgian Block on New Providence Avenue - Phil Ryan, 18 Mt. Vernon Avenue, expressed his concerns and frustration regarding the history of sanitary sewer problems near his home since 1993. He questioned why Belgian block on New Providence Avenue has not been installed.

Council President Naidu explained to Mr. Ryan that past environmental regulations compared to today's regulations are quite different.

Council President Naidu asked DCS Director Paul Cascais to answer questions pertaining to sanitary sewer draining and stormwater runoff, to which Mr. Cascais responded.

In answer to a question regarding installation of Belgian block on New Providence Avenue, Mr. Cascais explained that a capital project was initially scheduled for 2017 and was pushed to 2019.

The project, if approved, will include drainage, curb and roadway improvements.

### **ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION**

The respective Committee Chairman, Committee member, or Councilmember, as indicated for the Committee, introduced, for first reading, the following ordinance(s) as it (they) came up for consideration during the meeting, which was (were) individually read by City Clerk Licatese and unanimously adopted by the vote indicated below and referred to the Law Committee for study and report with a hearing(s) scheduled as indicated under Hearing Date below.



## RESOLUTIONS

*(Resolutions, which were not identified on the agenda as same, do not appear in the minutes in the actual order in which they were addressed at the meeting, but under the proper committee heading after those that were on the agenda. Those with the name of another committee in italics after it indicate the other committee might have had some input.)*

The respective Committee Chairman, Committee member, or Councilmember, as indicated for the Committee, introduced the following resolution(s) and on motion, duly seconded and on roll call, unanimously adopted or adopted by the vote shown, if any:

### FINANCE/PERSONNEL

- 38288 1. Authorize Transfer of Appropriations - Operating Budget

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Little
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ogden
<b>AYES:</b>	Bowman, Fox, Gould, Little, McTernan, Naidu, Ogden

- 38289 2. Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,588,200 Temporary Notes of the City of Summit, in the County of Union, New Jersey

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Little
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ogden
<b>AYES:</b>	Bowman, Fox, Gould, Little, McTernan, Naidu, Ogden

- 38290 3. Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Not Exceeding \$26,702,000 Bond Anticipation Notes

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Little
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ogden
<b>AYES:</b>	Bowman, Fox, Gould, Little, McTernan, Naidu, Ogden

- 38291 4. Authorize Execution of Employee Separation Agreement

### BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

- 38292 Re-Appoint Electrical Subcode Official

### WORKS

- 38293 1. Reject Bids & Authorize Re-Advertisement - City Hall Stormwater Ejector Pump Replacement Project
- 38294 2. Award Bid - Alley Way Improvement Project - \$105,375.11
- 38295 3. Authorize National Cooperative Purchase - National Joint Powers Alliance - Purchase of Transfer Station Tractor - \$145,746.99

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*Staff reports are attached, as appropriate, when resolution is not self-explanatory. Matters authorizing action, licenses, or granting permission have met all department qualifications.*

**RESULT:**           **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:**            Little  
**SECONDER:**       Gould  
**AYES:**             Bowman, Fox, Gould, Little, McTernan, Naidu, Ogden

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

38296            Authorize Attendance - 2018 Building Safety Week Conference

**SAFETY**

- 38297    1.   Grant Permission and Set Forth Conditions - Summit Junior Fortnightly Club - 2018 Tot Trot Event at Memorial Field
- 38298    2.   Grant Permission, Set Forth Conditions - Our House Foundation 4-Mile Run
- 38299    3.   Grant Permission and Set Forth Conditions - Summit PAL "Making a Difference" 5k Run
- 38300    4.   Grant Permission & Set Forth Conditions - Shakespeare on the Village Green - Summit Free Public Library

**FINANCE/PERSONNEL**

- 38301    1.   Authorize Refund Overpayment of First Quarter 2018 Taxes
- 38302    2.   Reimburse Retiree Health Insurance Costs
- 38303    3.   Authorize Waiver of 90-Day Waiting Period for Reissuance of Lost Checks and Authorize Issuance New Checks
- 38304    4.   Authorize Refunds - Department of Community Programs
- 38305    5.   Authorize Parking Refunds - Summit SmartCard, Prepaid Parking, and Overnight Parking Permits
- 38306    6.   Authorizing Payment of Bills - \$736,627.18

**PENDING ORDINANCE**

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

<u>Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hearing Date</u>
18-3157	<b>AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE, CHAPTER XXXV, DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE, ARTICLE 4 – ZONING, SUBSECTION 4.2-9, YARD REGULATIONS, AND ARTICLE 5 – DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS, SUBSECTION 5.2-18, SCREENING OF EXTERIOR MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT</b> <i>(amending the setback and screening regulations for exterior air conditioning condensers in residential districts)</i>	03/20/18

**COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS/NEW BUSINESS**

Items/issues noted hereunder, if any, reflect those recommending and/or needing action by City department(s) or at a future council meeting which are not already being addressed by a committee.

**ADJOURNMENT REGULAR MEETING** - The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 pm on motion of Councilmember McTernan, duly seconded and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary M. Licatase  
City Clerk

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letter – Purchasing Department, re bids received for Alleyway Improvement Project
2. Letter – Purchasing Department, re bids received for City Hall Storm Water Ejector Pump Replacement Project

**RECEIVED AND FILED**