

**Minutes from February 18, 2016 Meeting of the  
Board of Commissioners of the East Orange Parking Authority**

Chairman McKnight called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm. He also read the Sunshine Act-Law, and roll call was taken. The Commissioners present at the meeting were:

Chairman McKnight  
Vice-Chair Muhammad  
Commissioner Owens was absent  
Commissioner Robinson  
Commissioner Harris  
Commissioner Ceballos

The Board Attorney Kevin McManimon was also present.

**Public Portion:**

Valerie Jackson, Director of Policy, Planning, and Development updated the Board on upcoming development projects. The City is allowing developers to build up to 30 stories. A developer plans to build a 30 Story Parking Garage next to City Hall and plan to have the Parking Authority's Office there. At this time redevelopment in the Shop Rite area is up in the air.

Valerie asked for an update on the Authority permit parking takeover, number of permits sold, revenue collected for street permits, day and overnight enforcement, hiring of an Executive Director, and plans for improvement so that she could forward the information on to Mayor Taylor.

She also expressed the city's desire to be a part of the Executive Director hiring process by reviewing the candidate's credentials.

Valerie informed the board that the city is considering increasing the minimum wage to \$15 per hour, and recommended that the Authority increase the minimum wage of their employees as well.

**Executive Session:**

No executive session this meeting

## **Minutes:**

Commissioner Harris made a motion to approve the January 2016 minutes, and was seconded by Commissioner Robinson. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

## **General Session:**

Commissioner Harris read the financial report for January 2016.

Commissioner Robinson made a motion to pay the February 2016 bills and was seconded by Commissioner Harris. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

Commissioners requested that Tasha clarify where at City Hall the 10 Commuter Parking Spaces would be located.

Commissioners agreed to advertise for an Executive Director on Indeed, Monster, the NJ League of Municipalities website, the City and Authority website.

The Board reviewed Tasha's list of recommendations and time line for changes and improvements, and approved the recommendation for changing the meter rates on Evergreen, Central, and the Court House immediately.

Commissioner Ceballos made a motion to increase the meter rates on Evergreen Place, Central Avenue, and the Court House and was seconded by Commissioner Harris. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

Commissioner Harris will check into having Lots 4e, 5e, 5a, and 7b appraised. As per Valerie Lot 4e, 5e, and 5a are in redevelopment areas, she is not sure about Lot 7b.

The Board requested that Tasha provide a salary comparison for PEO's at other Parking Authorities, and her recommendations for salary increases for our current and future PEO's.

Commissioners requested that a monthly ticket report that breaks down the number of tickets issued by statute be included in the meeting folders.

At 8:45pm Vice-Chair Muhammad made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Harris. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.