

January 19, 2022
Brigantine, New Jersey

A Council meeting was held this date in Council Chambers at 5:00 P.M. with Mayor Sera presiding.

Present: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera.
Absent: None.

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Mayor Sera led the flag salute and Councilwoman Bew offered a prayer.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilman DeLucry to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-20

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLVES THAT:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey permits the discussion of certain matters within an Executive Session, as an exception to certain provisions of said laws; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Brigantine wishes to discuss certain matters which qualify as exceptions in Executive Session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE THAT:

1. There is hereby authorized an Executive Session of the City Council of the City of Brigantine, for the purpose of discussing certain matters which qualify under said Open Public Meetings Act. No action binding upon the City Council will be disclosed to the public when legally permitted and when the public interest will no longer be served by keeping such matters confidential.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

Mayor Sera announced the topics that would be discussed in executive session are: personnel and contract negotiations.

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, excluding the public from a meeting in certain circumstances.

Council adjourned to executive session at 5:06 P.M.

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Council returned from Executive Session at 5:21 P.M.

Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to resume the council meeting.

Roll Call: All : “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

City Solicitor Fred Scerni commented that the following topics were discussed in executive session: certain matters relating to labor issues pursuant to Resolution 2022-26 stating that additional professional services will be required, stated that City Manager, James Bennett provided an updated status regarding the contract negotiations with the Fire Department and Dispatch Unions, further commenting that the City Labor Attorney will be utilized for further discussions regarding.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane approve the 01/05/2022 Council Meeting minutes.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.
Haney: “Abstain”.

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

No public comments were made.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the adopt the following ordinance.

City of Brigantine
Ordinance No. 1 of 2022

Vacationing of Lilac Way

Mayor Sera called for the public hearing of Ordinance 1 of 2022. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to introduce the following ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 2022

SALARY ORDINANCE

Mayor Sera asked what the changes were and Mr. Bennett explained that the changes were ones dealing with contractual issues, such as the Superintendent of Public Works & Fire Chief and the part time wages to comply with minimum wage.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-21

AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
CONFLICT ENGINEER

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-22

AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to adopt the following resolution.

RESOLUTION 2022-23

AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-24

AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR/CONFLICT MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-25

AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
CONFLICT MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-26

AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
HEARING OFFICER

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-27

CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-28

ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES
GAS MAIN AND EFV REPLACEMENT

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-29

AWARD OF CONTRACT
WORK CHANGE ORDER #1
FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF CART PATHS AND HOLES #1-#9

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-30

AWARD OF CONTRACT
FIRST AID SUPPLIES FOR FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-31

CANCELLATION OF REAL ESTATE TAXES

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to make the following Planning Board appointments: Mayor Vince Sera Class 1, Firefighter Trevor Cohen Class 2, Councilman Paul Lettieri Class 3, Chairperson Mike Brindisi Class 4, Chaser Gaffney Class 4, Maria Sacco Handle Class 4, Eugene Nace Alternate 1, Fran Chambers Alternate 2.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to make the following Recreation Commission appointments: Voting Members: Paul Amalfitano, Mike Stinson, Frank Burbridge, John Johnson, Ed Fitzgerald, Paul Kabala, Dennis Haney, Karen Bew, Guy Porpora, Paul Danaher, Tom Ripici, Lauren Doran and Bill Hoffman, Jr.; Non-Voting Members: John Feret Jr., Bob Galbraith and Betsy Dougherty; Advisor Jim Mogan and Honorary Member Joe Urbanos.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to make the following Golf Course Committee appointments: John Savini, Bruce Hunt and Mike Lange Jr.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to make the following Clean Communities appointments: Voting Members: Joe Campitelli Co-Chair, Charlie Miller, John Doring Co-Chair/Advisor, Frank DeAngelis; Non-Voting Members: Vince Sera, Dennis Haney, Bill Barnish, Guido Battaglini, Ann Phelps, Melissa Hannan, Joseph Guglielmo, John DiMatteo, Jr., Dawn Jones, Bill Viola, Charles Gill, Jim Doring, Pat Orchard, Janette Kessler; Jr. Members: Megan Baldwin and Erin Baldwin.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By Voice Resolution, Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to make the following Municipal Alliance appointments: Paul Robinson, Andy Grossman, John DiMatteo Chair, Irene Brodsky, Joanne Guglielmo, Paul Lettieri, Ann Phelps, John Gans, Dawn Jones Coordinator, Rosie Culleney, Police Representative Jim Powderly, School Representative Kristen Barron, Alternate School Representatives Lisa Glick and Glen Robbins.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to make the following Cultural Arts Commission appointments: Mary DeMarco Chairperson, Pamela Carchidi, Johanne Milnes, Grace Franzoi, Jane Ann Hart, Robert Kerns, Joanne DeMayo, Mike Riordan, Patricia Orchard and Leah Holcombe.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to make the following Economic Development and Tourism Committee appointments: Mike Riordan, Bill Hannan and Angela Reynolds

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman DeLucry to make the following Beach Committee appointments: Council Members: Paul Lettieri and Rick DeLucry, Voting Members: Christina Perry, Tony Saxby, Andy Grossman, Fran DeAngelis, Dar Sandler, Jay Ferreira, Joe Guglielmo, Ryan Hurst, Non-Voting Members: Murray Rosenberg, Fran Chambers, Danielle Smith and Angela Lang-Brindisi, Public Works representative John Doring, Police representative Bill Hoffman, Fire Department Representative Tim Daley and Beach Patrol representative Fran Masino.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to make the following Green Team appointments: Voting Members: Jeanette Kessler Chairperson, Council Representative Karen Bew, Karen Geller, Donna Piekarski, Fran Paulin, Sharon Lavinson, Janey Lieberman, John Addrizzo, Len Lavinson, Judy Starkey, Johanne Milnes, Robert Schailey, Joe Campitelli, Winnie Galbrath, John Butler, Non-Voting Members: Denise Hakinson, Barbara McGuire, Bob Galbraith, Fran Tulio, Nancy Barbin, Linda McAllister, Steve Donahue and Ex-officio Member John Doring.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to make the following Garden Club Advisory Board appointments: Laurel Leigh Chair, Linda Mantello Vice Chair, Johanne Milnes Treasurer, Jan Sarratore Recording Secretary, Board Members Dolores Ciarrochi, Ann Phillips and Tina Marie Demeo, John Doring Advisor and Councilman Kane Councilmember.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to make the following Windmill Committee appointments: Mayor Vince Sera, Beth Baca, Mike Riordan, Bob Croce, Sinclair Cooper, Curt Schroeder and Dennis Haney.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to make the following Capital Improvements Committee appointments, Mayor Vince Sera, City Manager, James Bennett, Chief Financial Officer, Roxanne Tosto, Superintendent of Public Works, John Doring and City Engineer Matt Doran.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

By voice resolution, Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to make the following Budget Committee appointments: Mayor Vince Sera, Jim Bennett and Roxanne Tosto.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to approve the following request.

A. Surf School Beach Requests

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager/Committee Discussion: Councilwoman Bew gave a Green Team Committee update. Councilman Haney gave a Skate Park update, spoke about the CER Office stating that they post up to date information on their Facebook page, stated the hours of the Beach Fee Office and gave an update on the Street Scape project taking place on 30th to 35th Streets. Councilman DeLucry congratulated the appointees and spoke about the Beach Committee. Councilman Kane congratulated the appointees. Councilman Riordan gave an Economic Development Committee update and spoke about the St. Patrick’s Day parade. Mayor Sera spoke about St. Georges Thorofare.

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Public Comments.

John Johnson of 36 Coquille Beach Drive asked for an update on the Public Works Building construction and the potential windmill project and Mayor Sera spoke about the potential windmill project.

Rose Solazzo of 214 N. Roosevelt Blvd spoke about the Brigantine Island Art Fair.

Anne Phillips of 308 27th Street spoke about the 2020 Census totals, read an editorial from the Press regarding the County Court System, spoke about the shopping center near Acme stating it was in need of cleaning and discussed the Windmill Project.

Mayor Sera spoke about the potential Windmill Project, stating that the committee that was created tonight will work to get information.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

Mayor Vince Sera

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC