

July 14, 2021
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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City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meetings Act.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to approve the Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses.

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to approve the 06/16/21 Council Meeting minutes.

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

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

Rick Palatucci of 314 17th Street spoke against Resolution 2021-141.

Close of Public Comment.

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Presentation by Green Team

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2021-135

AUTHORIZING SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANT APPLICATION AS FUNDED BY
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC TOWARDS THE GREEN TEAM'S OBSERVATION DECK
PROJECT

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE 14 OF 2021

HANDICAP PARKING SPACE 310 27TH STREET

No public comments were made.

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 ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE 15 OF 2021

HANDICAP PARKING SPACE 214 7TH STREET SOUTH

No public comments were made.

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 ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE NO. 16 OF 2021

BOND ORDINANCE

Mayor Sera explained that the water towers maintenance and repairs will be included in the bond. Chief Financial Officer, Roxanne Tosto explained the budget side of the bond.

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 2021-136

DECLARING AN EMERGENT CONDITION EXISTS AND AUTHORIZING AN AWARD
OF CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY FUEL TANK REPAIRS

Councilman DeLucry asked what the background was on the tanks and Superintendent of Public Works, John Doring explained there are two above ground tanks that are in need of emergency repairs.

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 2021-137

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS FOR GENERATORS AT VARIOUS PUMP STATIONS

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2021-138

AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL RELEASE
GOLF CAR SPECIALTIES, INC.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2021-139

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUNDS

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2021-140

CANCELLATION OF REAL ESTATE TAXES – 100% DISABLED VET

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 2021-141

APPROVAL OF PLANNING BOARD STUDY REGARDING AREA IN NEED OF
REHABILITATION

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2021-142

CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT

Ms. Tosto explained the need for the amendment.

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 requests.

- A. St. Thomas Raffle License #934
- B. Elks Raffle License #935
- C. Brigantine PBA Raffle License #936
- D. Community Presbyterian Church Raffle License #937
- E. South Jersey Cancer Fund Raffle License #938
- F. Atlantis Cove Block Party Request
- G. Philadelphia Outrigger Canoe Club Regatta Request
- H. Elks Seafood Fest Noise Extension Request
- I. Vernon Place Block Party Request
- J. Elks Raffle License #939

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

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager/Committee Discussion: City Manager, James Bennett announced that South Jersey Gas is still doing repairs and announced there will be road repairs being done on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in various locations in town. Councilwoman Bew announced that the Pickle Ball courts were dedicated to Kathy Ewing, spoke about the Brian’s Woods Walk, praised the success of the Farmers Market and thanked the emergency service departments for all they do. Councilman Lettieri spoke about repairs being made by the County to the promenade at the Sea Wall. Councilman Haney spoke about the Recreation Commission, commented on the repairs at the Skateboard Park and praised the efforts of the Public Safety Departments. Councilman DeLucry gave a Beach Committee update and praised Mr. Doring and the Public Works Department. Councilman Kane praised the Garden Club and stated he has gotten complaints about the traffic pattern at the Lighthouse. Councilman Riordan stated that the City received the Best Beach in Atlantic County Award, praised the Public Works Department for keeping the town clean and commented on the Cultural Arts Commission “Red, White and Brigantine” contest. Mayor Sera praised the efforts of the emergency services departments and the public works department for all they do for the town and spoke about the County Wide Court System asking council to form a sub committee to research if this would benefit the City.

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Public Comments

Karen Forbes of 7 Beacon Lane spoke about an issue she has with speeding vehicles in town.

Christopher Santarpio of 201 17th Street South spoke about speeding vehicles and the dangers for pedestrians & bicycles.

Anne Philips of 308 27th Street spoke in favor of the proposed county wide municipal court system and asked if there was any research on the ocean wind project.

Bob Quinn of 1605 W. Brigantine Avenue spoke about the issue of speeding vehicles in town.

Michelle Danenhower of 211 17th Street spoke about parking issues in town.

Close of Public Comment.

Mayor Sera suggested an aggressive driving campaign or more traffic lights to combat the issues with speeding vehicles.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew 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 6:18 P.M.

Mayor Vince Sera

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC