

March 7, 2018
Brigantine, New Jersey

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

Present: Bew, Riordan, Haney, DeLucry, Sera, Simpson
Absent: Guenther

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2018-50

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Roll Call: All "Yes"

Motion Carried.

City Clerk Lynn Sweeney 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 retired to executive session at 5:03 P.M.

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Deputy Mayor Simpson led the flag salute after which Councilman Sera offered a brief prayer.

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Deputy Mayor Simpson read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meetings Act.

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Municipal Attorney Fred Scerni reported that Council discussed the following topics in executive session: two contract matters; shared services with Atlantic County involving a traffic study for Lighthouse Circle and updates regarding the dispatchers union, firefighters union and the supervisors union, four matters of personnel; the retirement of Police Chief Jim Bennett as of April 1, 2018, the promotion of William Stroby to Sergeant, the appointment of Brian Feehan to Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator and the hiring of Acting City Manager Roxanne Tosto & one litigation matter update regarding Malone vs City of Brigantine

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman DeLucry to approve Council Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes of 2/21/18.

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to approval of Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses

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

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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Recognition of 2017 JIF Safety Incentive Program Award. Safety Coordinator John Doring announced that the City has received an excellent rating for the past 15 years and was awarded \$2,400.00.

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

Ordinance 5-2018
Amending Chapter 3, Article V, Section 20, "Vacancy"

City Manager Ed Stinson explained the details of the Ordinance stating that the language is being changed to state that City Council may appoint an Acting City Manager by Resolution for a specific term.

Deputy Mayor Simpson called for the public hearing of Ordinance 5 of 2018. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

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

Motion Carried.

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

Ordinance 6-2018

Bond Ordinance Appropriating \$2,910,000 and Authorizing Issuance of \$2,910,000 in School Bonds and Notes for Various School Improvements or Purposes

Deputy Mayor Simpson explained the various items this Ordinance covered.

Deputy Mayor Simpson called for the public hearing of Ordinance 6 of 2018. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

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

Motion Carried.

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Deputy Mayor Simpson discussed a meeting that was held at the North School to discuss school safety, saying that in attendance were himself, Mayor Guenther, Police Chief James Bennett, Police Sergeant Brian Feehan and North School Superintendent. Deputy Mayor Simpson explained the details of a Class III officer, explaining that they will be stationed at the school and furthermore asked that the school no longer be used as a polling location. Police Chief Jim Bennett spoke about the Class III officers that will be placed in the school.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2018-51

ACIA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Roll Call: Bew, Riordan, Haney, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".
DeLucry: "Abstain".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney seconded by Councilman Riordan to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2018-52

CHARITABLE ROADWAY SOLICITATION-POLICE FUNDRAISER
FOR FALLEN OFFICERS

Police Chief Bennett explained that this was for the Police Unity Tour.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2017-53

CANCELLATION OF GRANT BALANCE FROM IMPROVEMENT
AUTHORIZATION NO. 14-2004

Chief Financial Officer, Roxanne Tosto explained this resolution saying it was to clear up a balance sheet of one of the capitol funds.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2018-54

AWARD OF CONTRACT-ANIMAL CONTROL OF SOUTH JERSEY

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

Motion Carried.

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Deputy Mayor Simpson started a discussion regarding the North End Beach and the issue of the poisoning of foxes by the DEP.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2018-55

APPROVAL OF ACTING CITY MANAGER CONTRACT

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2018-56

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUNDS

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

Motion Carried.

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Consent Agenda

Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following request.

- A. St. Andrew by the Sea Lutheran Church Beach Request
- B. Surf and Land Fishing Club Fishing Tournament Request
- C. Marine Mammal Stranding Center Animals 5K Run/Walk Request
- D. Marine Mammal Stranding Center Summer Programs Beach Request
- E. Greater Atlantic Cancer Fund Raffle License #840
- F. American Legion Raffle License #841
- G. Philadelphia Outrigger Request

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

Motion Carried.

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Council/Manager/Committee Discussion: NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant
City Manager Ed Stinson discussed the municipal aid grant saying it would go towards making the curbs handicap accessible, spoke on the paving project and gave an update on the beach fill project.

Councilman Sera asked for a follow up on the bus shelters and Mr. Stinson stated that he would reach out to the NJDOT for an install date.

Councilman Riordan announced the St. Patrick's Day parade will take place on Saturday in Atlantic City.

Councilman Haney announced that the Brigantine Hockey League held a tournament that was a huge success and stated that the Penguin A team won.

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Public Comments

Linda Davoli of 329 Gull Cove spoke on the killing of the foxes by the DEP.

Close of Public Comment

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Council Comments

Each member of council praised City Manager Ed Stinson for all that he has done while being the City Manager and City Engineer.

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

Roll Call: All "Yes".

Motion Carried.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

Deputy Mayor Simpson

Lynn Sweeney, RMC, City Clerk