

February 6, 2019
Brigantine, New Jersey

A Council meeting was held this date in Council Chambers at 5:30 P.M. with Mayor Simpson presiding.

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

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2019-27a

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 5:16 P.M.

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Council returned from Executive Session at 6:00 P.M.

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

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City Clerk Lynn Sweeney 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: personnel matters regarding various appointments; Rich Casamento as Captain, Brian Feehan as Lieutenant, Jack Glasser as Sergeant and Mike Finan as Sergeant; Jack Murray as Fire Official; Ed Stinson as the Conflict Engineer and a discussion regarding the RFP for Municipal Engineer.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to approve 1/16/19 Council Meeting and Executive Session Minutes

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

Motion Carried.

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

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

Motion Carried.

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Presentation by 8th Grade Student Rebecca Price.

By Voice Resolution, Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to applaud the efforts of Rebecca Price and the other students in the competition, encouraging them to continue with the work and encouraging all the citizens of Brigantine to educate themselves in taking the next step to change their consumption habits.

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

Motion carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

Anne Phillips of 308 27th Street commented on Ordinance 2 of 2019.

John Johnson of 36 Coquille Beach Drive commented on resolution 2019-29.

Close of Public Comment.

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

City of Brigantine
Ordinance No. 1 of 2019

Amending Chapter 284 of the Code of the City of Brigantine as it Relates to “No Parking Bus Stop Zones”

Mayor Simpson called for the public hearing of Ordinance 1 of 2019. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 2019

AMENDING DUNE MAINTENANCE ORDINANCE

Councilman DeLucry commented on the details of the ordinance, stating that each permit should have to come before council for approval. Councilman Sera explained the details of the ordinance, stating that it is for maintenance of the dune vegetation. Mayor Simpson asked Fire Chief Tige Platt if removing the underbrush and the dead branches would help to prevent a fire and Chief Platt said it would help to reduce the risk, stating further that it currently is a fire risk due to the overgrowth.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: “Yes”.

Haney: ”Abstain”.

DeLucry: “No”.

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2019-28a

AWARD OF CONTRACT

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

City Manager James Bennett explained the RFP process, stating that he reviewed & evaluated the RFP's received and is recommending the contract be awarded to Utilities Engineering and Surveying. Councilman DeLucry commented that he has stated many times that the City needs an in house municipal engineer and feels the process should have been presented to council prior to award.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".
DeLucry: "No"

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2019-29

AWARD OF CONTRACT GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS FOR VARIOUS CITY PROJECTS

Public Works Superintendent, John Doring commented on the award process and the work that will be performed.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2019-30

SMILE FACTORY LICENSE RENEWAL

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, 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 2019-32

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT REFUND

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2019-31

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUND

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2019-33

OPPOSING CUTS TO VETERAN’S BUDGET

City Solicitor Fred Scerni explained the details of the resolution.

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

Motion Carried.

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

A. Rip Tide Fishing Derby Request

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

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager/Committee Discussion: Municipal Engineer Matt Doran gave an update on current projects. Councilman Sera commented that the Streetlight on Sarazan will be repaired soon. Mayor Simpson commented on a streetlight installation being done on 4th Street North. Councilwoman Bew commented on the process for the Green Team to achieve Silver Certification status from Sustainable Jersey. Councilman Haney gave a Recreation Commission update. Mayor Simpson gave an update about the North School.

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Public Comments

No Public Comments were made.

Close of Public Comment

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Mayor Simpson thanked everyone for their support.

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

Roll Call: All “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

Mayor Andy Simpson

Lynn Sweeney, RMC, City Clerk