

February 5, 2020  
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 2020-1

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 5:30 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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Mayor Simpson welcomed the new Police Chief, Rich Casamento. Chief Casamento thanked Mayor and Council for their support and for the opportunity and thanked former Chief Rehill for the recommendation and support.

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Municipal Attorney Fred Scerni reported that Council discussed the following topics in executive session: three contract matters; one regarding the Chief of Police, one regarding Municipal Engineer and one regarding Conflict Engineer.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to approve the 1/22/20 Council Meeting 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 approve the Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses.

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 27<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about Ordinance 1 of 2020, Resolutions 2020-32 and 36.

Close of Public Comment.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
ORDINANCE 1 OF 2020

TO EXCEED MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS  
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Chief Financial Officer Roxanne Tosto explained that this was the first step in the public portion of the budget process.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-31

AUTHORIZATION PARTICIPATION IN THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL  
OF GOVERNMENT NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM (HGAC-  
BUY) FOR CONTRACT #AM10-18, AMBULANCES, EMS & OTHER SPECIAL SERVICE  
VEHICLES WITH VCI EMERGENCY VEHICLE SPECIALISTS FOR A REMOUNT TO  
AND EXISTING HORTON E-450 AMBULANCE

Fire Chief Tiger Platt explained that this is to purchase a remount for an older ambulance, which will rehab it, in replace of purchasing a brand-new ambulance.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-32

DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

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 2020-33

AUTHORIZING ANNUAL “FILL THE BOOT” ROADWAY SOLICITATION REQUEST

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-34

CANCELLATION OF REAL ESTATE TAXES

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-35

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT WITH N.J. D.O.T. FOR LIGHTHOUSE  
DISTRICT STREETScape IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

City Manager James Bennett explained the scope of work for the program.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-36

AWARD OF CONTRACT: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

Mr. Bennett explained that this was awarded to the low bidder and explained the details of the contract.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-37

AWARD OF CONTRACT: CONFLICT ENGINEER

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-38

AWARD OF CONTRACT  
SANITARY SEWER RECONSTRUCTION ON SHERIDAN BLVD.  
AND ROOSEVELT BLVD.

Superintendent of Public Works John Doring explained the scope of work for the project.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2020-39

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CHIEF OF POLICE CONTRACT

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

Motion Carried.

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

A. Riptide Spring Striper Derby Request

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

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager/Committee Discussion: Councilwoman Bew spoke about the school testing results and praised the teachers and school administration for their good work. Councilman Lettieri spoke about the street dedication. Councilman Haney gave an update on the pickle ball/tennis courts and skate park. Councilman Sera spoke about the street dedication, announced that the deadline for the community wellness program second session is Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center, asked about the deadline for the pickle ball RFP, stated that there were issues with the bocce courts, stated there were questions with some of the RFP’s received for the tennis/pickle ball courts and stated there are issues with the dog park drainage. Mayor Simpson welcomed the new police chief.

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Public Comments

Bob Galbraith of 205 29<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about the pickle ball courts.

Jay Ferreira 601 E. Beach Ave. spoke about the dog park and the pickle balls court.

Joan Finlay of 2804 Revere Blvd. spoke about the lack of lighting at the sports complex.

Anne Phillips of 308 27<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about an article in the newspaper regarding the community flood rating and asked how the City could get the rating lower.

A resident of 205 29<sup>th</sup> Street announced the AARP tax program details.

Close of Public Comment

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By voice resolution Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to appoint Angela Brindisi to the Beach Committee as a non-voting member.

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan 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 6:57 P.M.

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Mayor Andy Simpson

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City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC