

February 19, 2020
Brigantine, New Jersey

A Council meeting was held this date in Council Chambers at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor Simpson presiding.

Present: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson

Absent: None

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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 spoke about his pending kidney transplant surgery and asked Dena Kabala to come up and speak about how she is donating a kidney to him. Mayor Simpson announced he will be having the surgery in March.

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Swearing In Ceremony:

Police Sergeant Christopher Hurst

Police Lieutenant Steven Ward

Police Captain William Hoffman

Police Chief Richard Casamento

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to approve the 2/5/20 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.

Bob Galbraith of 205 29th Street spoke about Ordinance 2-2020.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt 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 spoke on the details of the Ordinance.

Mayor Simpson called for the public hearing of Ordinance 1 of 2020. 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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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE 2 OF 2020

CAPITAL ORD PROVIDING FOR THE REPAIR, REPLACEMENT AND UPDATE OF
SKATE BOARD PARK

City Manager James Bennett commented on the RFP process.

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

No public comments were made.

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2020-40

SUPPORTING 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

Councilwoman Bew read the Resolution. Mayor Simpson praised Councilwoman Bew for all her efforts on council. Councilman Haney spoke about the many acclaimed women in history. Councilman DeLucry spoke about the many accomplishments of women in history and acknowledged Anne Phillips as a former Councilwoman, who was in the audience. Councilman Sera spoke about the many sacrifices that women in history have overcome. Mayor Simpson acknowledged the women in his life.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2020-42

ADOPTING THE BRIGANTINE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN

Planning and Grant Consultant James Rutala spoke about the resolution stating that the City of Brigantine will be the first community in Atlantic County to adopt its own municipal floodplain management plan, stating this will qualify Brigantine for a Class Four designation through the CRS program.

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 2020-41
APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT
AGREEMENT WITH F.E.M.A. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A
JET SKI, RESCUE SLED AND TRAILER

Fire Chief Tige Platt explained the need for the trailer.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2020-43

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF "COPS IN SHOPS" FUNDING

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2020-44

APPROVAL OF ROADWAY SOLICITATION REQUEST FOR BRIGANTINE P.B.A.

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 2020-45

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 2020-46

AWARD OF CONTRACT
DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES

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. Art Walk Request

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

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager/Committee Discussion: Mr. Bennett gave an update on various engineering projects. Councilwoman Bew announced the Read Across America event at the North School on March 2nd and gave a Green Team Committee update. Councilman Lettieri congratulated Chief Richard Casamento, Sergeant Christopher Hurst, Lieutenant Steven Ward and Captain William Hoffman. Councilman Haney congratulated the newly promoted police saying it is good to see them rise the ranks, announced an EZ Pass senior discount program and commented on the pickle ball courts. Councilman DeLucry congratulated the newly promoted police. Councilman Riordan gave an Economic Development Committee update and reminded everyone of the Second Annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade on March 21st at 1:00. Councilman Sera announced the second sign-ups for the Community Wellness Program, announced that the ACUA will be red flagging incorrect recycling and asked for an update on the flooding issue on 9th Street.

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By voice resolution Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to appoint to Joanne Guglielmo Municipal Alliance.

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

Motion Carried.

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

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

Motion Carried.

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Public Comments

Anne Phillips of 308 27th Street commented spoke on Resolution 2020-42 and Resolution 2020-40.

John Johnson of 36 Coquille Beach Drive praised Councilwoman Bew, commented on different locations in town that he thought could be cleaned up and wished Mayor Simpson luck in his surgery.

Close of Public Comment

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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 7:42 P.M.

Mayor Andy Simpson

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC