

July 12, 2023
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, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera.
Absent: Haney.

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Proclamation: Brigantine Girl's Softball 12 and Under.

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Mayor Sera led the flag salute and Councilwoman Bew offered a prayer. Councilwoman Bew asked for a moment of silence for Diane Hennessey & Joe Fumo IV.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE

RESOLUTION 2023-143
EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLVES THAT:

WHEREAS, the Open Publics Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey permits the discussion of certain matters within an Executive Session, as an exception to certain provisions of said laws; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Brigantine wishes to discuss certain matters which qualify as exceptions in Executive Session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE THAT:

1. There is hereby authorized an Executive Session of the City Council of the City of Brigantine, for the purpose of discussing certain matters which qualify under said Open Public Meetings Act. No action binding upon the City Council will be disclosed to the public when legally permitted and when the public interest will no longer be served by keeping such matters confidential.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

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

Motion Carried.

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City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC 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 5:17 P.M.

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Council returned from executive session at 6:27 P.M.

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Municipal Attorney Fred Scerni reported that Council discussed the following topics in executive session: contract matter regarding the City Manager, personnel matter regarding the Beach Patrol Chief position, employee matter regarding the creation of the Deputy City Manger position and a shared services agreement with the City of Ventnor and the Municipal Court.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew approve the 06/21/2023 and Council Meeting Minutes.

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

Motion Carried.

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

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

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

Frank Congemi of 605 W. Shore Drive commented Resolution 2023-144 and spoke about the proposed windmill project.

Anne Phillip of 308 27th Street spoke negatively about the length of time that the public waited during executive session.

Close of Public Comment.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE 8 OF 2023

AMENDING CHAPTER 6, SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE CODE OF THE
CITY OF BRIGANTINE

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE 9 OF 2023

HANDICAP PARKING SPACE AT 344 31ST STREET

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE 10 OF 2023

REMOVAL OF “NO PARKING” DESIGNATION ON MARSDEN PLACE

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-144

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH SOUTH STATE INC. FOR THE CITY OF
BRIGANTINE 2022 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-145

APPROVING PARTICIPATION STATE OF NJ AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER
INITIATIVE

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-146

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR ACTION UNIFORM CO. FOR POLICE AND FIRE
UNIFORMS

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-147

AUTHORIZING REFUND TO SOUTH STATE INCORPORATED FOR RETURN OF
HYDRANT METER

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-148

AUTHORING CONTRACT TO CYBER SECURITY EXPERTS FOR AN EMERGENCY
MIGRATING AND SET UP OF A CLOUD BASED EMAIL SYSTEM

Mayor Sera explained that this is for the upgrade of the City's server and software system.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-149

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUND

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-150

SMOKE DETECTOR INSPECTION FEE REFUND

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-151

RENTAL INSPECTION FEE REFUND

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-152

ENDORING ATLANTIC COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN
AMENDMENT

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-153

C.E.R. CLASS REGISTRATION REFUND

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-154

AUTHORIZING THE RATIFICATION OF CITY MANAGER’S CONTRACT

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

Motion Carried.

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

- A. Brigantine Elks Summerfest Noise Extension Request

- B. Marine Mammal Stranding Center Pup Strut Request
- C. Marine Mammal Stranding Center Run for the Animals Request

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

Motion Carried.

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Council/Manager Discussion: Councilwoman Bew spoke about the success of the Framers Market and stated that the Golf Course was having a record setting season. Councilman Riordan complimented the Chamber of Commerce for their efforts with the Movie on the Beach event. Mayor Sera commented that the repairs are continuing the Seawall due to the car accident, spoke about the abandoned gas station on the Boulevard and gave a Short-Term Rental Committee update,

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Public Comments.

Guy Williams of 1310 Sheridan Boulevard spoke about an issue with a landscaping business being run out of 1311 Sheridan Boulevard.

Andrea Sullivan 2000 Ocean Avenue asked when Council will adopt changes regarding short-term rental issues.

MaryAnn Todd of 308 21st Street spoke about short-term rental issues in her neighborhood.

Anne Phillips of 308 27th Street spoke about the proposed offshore windmill project.

Henry Waldron of 314 20th Street spoke about the offshore windmill project.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane 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 7:11 P.M.

Mayor Vince Sera

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC