

CITY OF BRIGANTINE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES September 16, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Vince Sera called the meeting to order at **5:00 P.M.**

FLAG SALUTE & OPENING PRAYER Mayor Sera led the flag salute followed by an opening prayer by Deputy Mayor Bew

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT Christine Murray, City Clerk advised that the meeting notices covering this meeting have been sent and posted as required under the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.

ROLL CALL – COUNCIL • Mayor Sera • Deputy Mayor Bew • Councilman Virgilio • Councilman Lettieri • Councilman Riordan • **Absent Councilman Kane • Absent Councilman Haney**

PROFESSIONALS PRESENT • Tige Platt, City Manager • Paul Fuller, Fire Chief • Steve Ward, Police Chief • Carl Thomas III, Esq. City Solicitor • Christine Murray, City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Mayor Sera read the item as entitled. August 19, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes
Motion: Councilman Virgilio / **Second:** Deputy Mayor Bew **Abstain Councilman Riordan**
Roll Call Vote: All in favor

APPROVAL OF BILL REQUISITION LIST Mayor Sera read the item as entitled. Motion: Councilman Riordan Second: Councilman Riordan Roll Call Vote: All in favor

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: No public comments were made.

ORDINANCE- INTRODUCTION

Mayor Sera read the Ordinance as entitled

ORDINANCE NO. 16 OF 2026 - A BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EAST SHORE DRIVE PLAYGROUND IN AND BY THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$754,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$188,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

Motion: Deputy Mayor Bew Second: Councilman Virgilio Recorded Vote: All in favor

RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Sera read the resolutions as entitled

Resolution 2026 -229 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH ARTHEON (FORMERLY CME) FOR PLANNING, PERMITTING, AND DESIGN FOR PROPOSED SHORE PROTECTION ALONG GOLF COURSE DRIVE AND EAST SHORE DRIVE

Motion: Councilman Riordan Second: Deputy Mayor Bew Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026- 230 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH CM3 BUILDING SOLUTIONS FOR REPAIRS TO THE AC DUCTWORK SYSTEM AND CHILLED WATER PIPING AT THE POLICE/FIRE STATION

Motion: Councilman Virgilio Second: Councilman Riordan Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026 -231– A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH POLISTINA & ASSOCIATES FOR PLANNING, PERMITTING, AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE BOAT RAMP BULKHEAD REPLACEMENT

Motion: Councilman Haney Second: Councilman Virgilio Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026 -232 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH POLISTINA & ASSOCIATES FOR PLANNING, PERMITTING AND DESIGN FOR BULKHEAD REPLACEMENT AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Motion: Councilman Riordan Second: Councilman Lettieri Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026- 233 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE

Motion: Councilman Virgilio Second: Councilman Riordan Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026-234 – A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PUBLIC CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY DEMOLITION SERVICES AWARDED TO AMERICAN DEMOLITION

(WORK CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 – FINAL)-

Motion: Deputy Mayor Bew Second: Councilman Virgilio Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026-235 – A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE 2026 YEAR MUNICIPAL BUDGET BY THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES GRANT-

Motion: Deputy Mayor Bew Second: Councilman Virgilio Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026-236 – A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE 2026 YEAR MUNICIPAL BUDGET BY THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION FROM THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC NUTRITIONAL OFFICE ON AGING GRANT

Motion: Deputy Mayor Bew Second: Councilman Lettieri Recorded Vote: All in favor

Resolution 2026-237 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE PERMIT APPLICATION

Motion: Councilman Riordan Second: Councilman Virgilio Recorded Vote: All in favor

CONSENT AGENDA

COUNCIL / MANAGER / COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- **Fire Chief Fuller** thanked everyone for their attendance at the 9/11 Memorial.
- **Deputy Mayor Bew** discussed the 9/11 Memorial and thanked attendees. She also discussed sponsoring the local representatives' office to help residents fill out the senior tax relief program, hosting a senior scam prevention program, utility assistance, the Halloween Parade, and Trunk or Treat.
- **Councilman Lettieri** discussed the Promenade ramp, Beach Clean Up, and the Shredding Event.
- **Councilman Virgilio** discussed the car wash for this upcoming weekend.
- **Councilman Riordan** thanked attendees and announced the Cultural Arts Commission 18th Annual Meet the Artist date. He also discussed the Bonfire, the Eagles Tailgate, the Lighthouse Festival, and 9/11.
- **Mayor Sera** addressed the Promenade ramp and the addition of jetty stone, the Promenade steps, the outlet light, beach replenishment and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers study, and the extension of the sea wall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- **Frank Pugliese**, 433 Lafayette, commented on the beautiful 9/11 ceremony and the speakers. He stated it was a humbling experience to stand with the men.

ADJOURNMENT Motion to adjourn: Deputy Mayor Bew / Second: Councilman Virgilio All in favor. Adjournment 5:21 PM

Respectfully submitted, Christine Murray, RMC City Clerk

Approved: Vince Sera, Mayor