

A Caucus/Public meeting of the Township Council was held in the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m. and was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present

Councilwoman Marianna Pontoriero (left at 8:08 pm)
 Councilman Paul Mummolo
 Councilwoman Heather deJong
 Councilwoman Lisa Crate
 Councilman Jim Fozman
 Council Vice President Andrea Zapcic
 Council President Arthur Halloran

Also Present

Mayor John G. Ducey
 Kevin Starkey, Township Attorney
 Lynnette A. Iannarone, Township Clerk
 Joanne Bergin, Business Administrator

Clerk Iannarone announced adequate notice of this meeting was provided and published in Asbury Park Press on January 13, 2017. Copies of the agenda were provided to the newspapers, posted on public bulletin boards and the township website (www.bricktownship.net).

This meeting began with the salute to the flag followed by a moment of silence.

Motion by Councilwoman Pontoriero and seconded by Councilman Mummolo to dispense with the reading of the minutes of July 11th and July 25th 2017 meetings and approve the same.

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call, except:
 Councilwomen deJong and Crate ABSTAINED on July 11th because they were absent.

Joseph Castellano – OCVTS Gold Medalist

Mayor Ducey recognized Joseph Castellano from the OCVTS Culinary School. Mayor Ducey said Brick Township is home to many exceptional and talented young people that are passionate and compete in a wide variety of activities. He said Joseph is a student at Brick Memorial High School and a post-secondary student in the Ocean County Vocational Technical School Culinary Program. He said Joseph competed at the Annual New Jersey Skills USA Competition in April and won the gold medal for the Jobs Demonstration category which consists of making pizza dough from scratch, tossing it and making pizza in front of the judges. He presented Joseph with a proclamation and proclaimed Wednesday, August 9, 2017 to be Joseph Castellano Day.

Lisa Newton – Ocean Award Recipient

Mayor Ducey, President Halloran along with Judge Grisanti recognized Lisa Newton for being bestowed the Ocean Award. He said every year the Ocean Vicinage recognizes deserving court employees for their outstanding leadership, exemplary service and non-work efforts such as community service. He said he is proud to say that Lisa Newton has been named the recipient of the 2017 Ocean Award. He gave a brief history of Lisa’s career in the Brick Court system and presented her with a Certification of Commendation.

Motion by Vice President Zapcic and seconded by Councilwoman deJong to adopt the following Resolutions:

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

Authorize Insertion of Chapter 159 – Title III B Senior Outreach Grant – 2017
Authorize Insertion of Chapter 159 – Title III E Senior Caregiver Grant – 2017

Councilwoman deJong explained the Brick Township Senior Outreach Services does such a great job that the County of Ocean is awarding the program an additional \$8,000.00 to help offset the costs of providing essential programs and services to seniors. She said these resolutions are necessary to insert these funds into the budget. She advised these funds are on top of the Senior Caregiver and Senior Outreach Grant awarded to the Township earlier this year from the County of Ocean totaling \$135,100.00.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – DPW Vehicle Storage & Fuel Station Canopy

Councilman Fozman explained this project, spearheaded by the Council’s Public Works Committee, is for the construction of vehicle canopies at the Department of Public Works. He said the proposed plans include one large building that will house 45 vehicles and one smaller building for over the gas bay that will house 16 vehicles. These are steel canopies that will

protect the vehicles from the elements and extended their service life. He said It is there goal to start construction in the fall.

Authorize Award of Bid – Roadway Improvements to Lake Riviera Phase III

Mayor Ducey explained the Township received bids on July 28th and notices were mailed to 61 potential bidders. He said seven contractors responded and five bids were submitted. He advised it is the recommendation of the consulting engineer to award the bid to the low responsive, responsible bidder, Earle Asphalt, Farmingdale for a total bid amount of \$1,427,313.13, which includes the base bid and alternates. He said the scope of work includes roadway milling and resurfacing, select curb replacement, curb ramps, drainage improvements and retrofitting of curb pieces and installation of bicycle safe grates. He noted the roads include Evergreen Drive, Dogwood Drive, Hawaii Drive, and Lake Oak Place.

Authorize Award of Contract - Purchase & Delivery of 300 - 95 Gallon Residential Rollout Refuse Carts through HGAC-Buy National Cooperative

President Halloran stated this resolution authorizes the purchase and delivery of three hundred 95-gallon capacity residential rollout refuse carts for a total cost of \$15,358.00 purchased through the Houston Galveston Area Council-Buy National Cooperative as approved in the 2017 capital budget.

Authorize Award of Proposal – Fair & Open Process – Planning Services Pool

President Halloran stated this resolution adds the following firms to the planning services pool: Heyer, Bruel & Associates, Red Bank; Leon S. Avakian Inc Consulting Engineers, Neptune; and ARH Associates, Hammonton, so that they can create a pool of professionals to have available should assistance be required. He said occasionally, Township staff requires assistance from outside professionals for a variety of projects that require licensed professionals in specific fields of expertise.

Authorize Award of Proposal – Fair & Open Process – Professional Medical Services

President Halloran stated the Township received proposals on July 13th and seven bidders picked up packages and three bids were received. He said the bids have been reviewed and letters of recommendation received from the Deputy Police Chief and Personnel Coordinator for awarding contracts to The Institute for Forensic Psychology Meridian Occupational Health and Raymond Hanbury, Jr. PhD. This contract is being awarded as a professional medical service and is a one-year contract commencing August 12, 2017 and ending August 11, 2018.

Authorize Change Order No. 1 – Final – Forge Pond Tennis Court Reconstruction Project

President Halloran stated this resolution authorizes the final close out change order for the Forge Pond Tennis Court Reconstruction, which represents a decrease of \$3,444.78.

Authorize Suspension of Beach Vehicle Permits 2017-2018

President Halloran stated this resolution authorizes the suspension of beach vehicle permits for the October 1st through April 30, 2018 period based on a recommendation by the Police Chief to continue with the suspension of these permits until after the beach replenishment project is complete.

Authorize Special Events Permit – Harbor Freight Tent Sale

President Halloran stated Harbor Freight Tools will conduct a parking lot tool tent sale on August 18th – 20th between the hours of 8 am and 9 pm at the store located at 2770 Hooper Avenue.

Authorize Special Events Permit – Avery's Carnival

President Halloroan stated this resolution authorizes a special events permit for Avery's Carnival at the Standing Ovation School of Dance on Mantoloking Road between 1 and 5 pm Saturday, August 26th with a rain date of Sunday, August 27th.

Bond Releases/Reductions:

Clerk Iannarone advised the following:

- Inspection Fund Release – RMR Realty, LLC – Mantoloking Road in the amount of \$858.11.

Tax Collector:

Joanne Bergin advised the following:

- Tax Overpayments – 2016 – 2017 Block 1192.36 Lot 16 in the amount of \$771.84; Block 383.02 Lot 57 in the amount of \$72.03; Block 382.30/ Lot 14 in the amount of \$394.41; and Block 377.02 Lot 31 in the amount of \$687.67.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 41 Lot 8 – 393 Route 35 South in the amount of \$2,664.70 which is a two-year appeal.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 44.13 Lot 5 – 350 Bay Lane in the amount of \$5,064.58 which is a three-year appeal.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 289 Lot 5 – 25 Buena Vista Drive in the amount of \$681.71.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 462 Lot 27.01 – 575 Route 70 in the amount of \$3,267.00.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 913 Lot 5 – 419 Princeton Avenue in the amount of \$16,654.22 which is a three-year appeal.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 913 Lot 17 – 423 Princeton Avenue in the amount of \$12,422.17 which is a two-year appeal.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 1427 Lot 5 Qualifier C0107 – 107 Briar Mills Drive in the amount of \$465.13.

President Halloran opened the public hearing on the Resolutions.

Nan Coll, 18 Greenbriar Boulevard, asked what the matching monies for the Senior Outreach grants were.

Joanne Bergin replied this grant offsets the salaries of the employees at Senior Services.

There were no further comments from the audience.

President Halloran closed the public hearing on the Resolutions.

President Halloran opened the public hearing on the Computer Bill Resolution.

There were no comments from the audience.

President Halloran closed the public hearing on the Computer Bill Resolution.

Motion by Councilman Mummolo and seconded by Councilwoman deJong to adopt the following Resolution:

- All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call, except:
Councilman Fozman ABSTAINED on BTMUA;
Vice President Zapcic ABSTAINED on Gannett and NJ Press Media.

2017 Computer Bill Resolution in the amount of \$25,024,145.65

President Halloran opened the public hearing on the Manual Bill Resolution.

There were no comments from the audience.

President Halloran closed the public hearing on the Manual Bill Resolution.

Motion by Councilman Fozman and seconded by Councilwoman Pontoriero to adopt the following Resolution:

- All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

2017 Manual Bill Resolution in the amount of \$1,740,907.71

Ordinance on Second Reading: Amend Chapters 110 & 175 – Township Parks and Beaches

Clerk Iannarone read the title of the Ordinance into the record.

President Halloran explained there have been issues recently at Windward Beach, Trader's

Cove, and Brick Beach III, where groups of more than 100 arrive at one time, and because of the sheer volume, take over the area. He said groups that want to use the parks for events or parties can make a request to do so by completing a permit application through the recreation department. He reported the issues they have experienced are large groups who use the parks without the necessary permits. He said the current ordinance precludes groups of 15 or more from being dropped off by passenger van or bus. However, these groups are avoiding that by dropping people off several blocks away and having them walk to the park/beach. He said as you can imagine this is very unsafe as large groups crossing Princeton Avenue and/or traversing Mantoloking Road and Route 35 is not what they want to see as a way of avoiding the drop off provision. He stated this ordinance amendment prohibits groups of 15 without a permit and further defines what the Township considers a group. He stated this way, the method of transportation is not the violation; the simple act of a large group taking over any park without a permit is the violation.

President Halloran opened the public hearing on the Ordinance.

Lawrence Whiting, 7 Elizabeth Avenue, commended the Mayor and Council for this ordinance; he spoke about some of the issues at Windward Beach Park; he commented the Recreation Department for their fine work they do at that park.

Nan Coll, 18 Greenbriar Boulevard, questioned how this ordinance will be enforced; questioned if the Township could restrict non-residents from using parks.

Mayor Ducey advised they cannot restrict people from using the Township Parks. He explained they receive Green Acres funds for all parks which are State funds.

Patricia Whiting, 7 Elizabeth Avenue, spoke about how she enjoys Windward Beach Park; spoke about some of the incidences that have happened recently at the park and asked how this ordinance will be enforced.

Mayor Ducey replied if there are any problems to call the police department; he spoke about how they have instituted park security employees for after hours.

There were no further comments from the audience.

President Halloran closed the public hearing on the Ordinance.

Motion by Councilwoman Crate and seconded by Councilwoman deJong to adopt the following Ordinance on Second and Final Reading and said Ordinance be published as provided by law:
All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRICK, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTERS 110 AND 175 OF THE
TOWNSHIP CODE, TO LIMIT AND REGULATE THE USE OF TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND BEACHES BY ENTITIES OR GROUPS**

President Halloran opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Steve Brill, 806 Jenny Court, spoke about the parkway project and stated his displeasure with the NJTA.

John Sluka, 950 Sylvia Court, read his letter regarding the parkway construction project.

Michele Spector, 808 Jenny Court, asked the Mayor and Administration to help set up a meeting with assemblymen, senate and freeholders with the Turnpike Authority to help the Evergreen Woods residents.

Mayor Ducey advised he will reach out to them by letter.

Nancy Day, 41 Maple Court, spoke at the parkway traffic and the issues at Evergreen Woods; spoke about issues she has seen with people swimming after hours at Windward Beach Park; she questioned why there are no bathrooms at Angela Hibbard Park.

Joanne Bergin pointed out that the bathrooms are very strategic and noted they have not installed bathrooms at some of the neighborhood parks because it marks them as a destination park.

Mayor Ducey said there are ordinances in place for no swimming after hours along with wearing proper swimming attire.

Nan Coll, 18 Greenbriar Boulevard, spoke about the impact of traffic on Township roads; she stated her displeasure with the parkway construction project.

There were no further comments from the audience.

President Halloran closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Mayor Ducey said he took part in a round table discussion with Senator Cory Booker regarding the opioid crisis in Ocean County at Ocean Medical Center and he spoke about the Blue Heart Program; thanked everyone for their donations to the "Stuff the Bus" drive, he spoke about the successful and well-attended National Night Out; he wished Coach Warren Wolf a Happy 90th Birthday; he announced some upcoming events.

Councilwoman Pontoriero spoke about the need for quality of life at the Township parks. She thanked everyone for all the cards and well wishes for her illness with cancer. She spoke about the advisory committee she will be putting together to help residents with cancer.

Councilman Mummolo congratulated Joseph Castellano and Lisa Newton for their awards. He said he attended National Night Out and commended the Knights of Columbus for a great job they do with putting together the Special Olympics at Brick Township High School.

Councilwoman deJong commended Councilwoman Pontoriero for her efforts putting an advisory committee together for residents with cancer. She gave an update on the Buy in Brick Program.

Councilman Fozman urged residents to lock their cars at night and said if you see something say something. He reminded residents not to put plastic bags in the recycling cans.

Vice President Zapcic advised the August 28th BMAC meeting will be held at Windward Beach Park in conjunction with the SummerFest concert.

President Halloran congratulated Lisa Newton and Joseph Castellano on their awards. He spoke about the Immediate Care Ribbon Cutting and their new facility at Brick Plaza.

Motion by Councilwoman deJong and seconded by Vice President Zapcic to Adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

All Council Members voted AYE.

Arthur Halloran
Council President

Lynnette A. Iannarone
Township Clerk