

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 7:02 p.m.

Present

Councilman Jim Fozman
Councilwoman Marianna Pontoriero
Councilwoman Heather deJong
Councilman Paul Mummolo
Councilman Arthur Halloran
Council Vice President Lisa Crate

Also Present

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

Absent

Council President Andrea Zapcic

Clerk Iannarone announced adequate notice of this meeting was provided and published in Asbury Park Press and The Ocean Star on January 11, 2019. 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 Councilman Halloran and seconded by Councilman Mummolo to dispense with the reading of the minutes of December 28, 2018 meeting and approve the same.

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call, except:
Councilman Jim Fozman and Councilwoman Pontoriero ABSTAINED.

Police Promotions

Chief Riccio gave a brief history on each officer and then each was sworn in by Mayor Ducey

- Lieutenant Joseph Olivieri
- Lieutenant Neil Pedersen

Motion by Councilwoman Pontoriero and seconded by Councilwoman deJong to adopt the following Resolutions:

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

Authorize Award of Bid – Replacement of Heat Pumps at the Municipal Complex

Vice President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the award of bid for the replacement of heat pumps at the Municipal Complex to Air Systems Maintenance, in the amount of \$291,699.00. She explained this project includes removal and replacement of 27 water cooled heat pumps and the modification or alteration of existing piping, electrical, duct work and controls as required by existing conditions and new replacement units. She advised ten electric radiant ceiling panel heaters will be installed in the Building Department. She said bids were received for this project on January 11th and notices were mailed to 55 potential bidders of which sixteen contractors responded and nine bids were submitted with prices ranging from \$291,669.00 to \$468,000.00.

Authorize Award of Bid – CDBG Improvements – Disabled American Veteran’s Building

Councilwoman deJong stated this resolution authorizes the award of bid for improvements to the Disabled American Veterans Building on Lanes Mill Road to JNP Construction, in the amount of \$77,350.00. She explained the project generally consists of the improvements to the Disabled American Veteran’s Building including making the site ADA accessible and the removal and replacement of the sidewalks and curbs. She said improvements to the building include a new main entry door and noted the project is being funded by a Community Development Block Grant. She said bids for this project were received on January 29th and notices were mailed to 19 potential bidders of which twelve contractors responded to the notice and 11 bids were submitted with prices ranging from \$77,350.00 to \$176,050.00.

Authorize Acceptance of Safe & Secure Grant Communities 2019 Grant

Councilwoman Pontoriero stated this resolution authorizes the acceptance of a \$60,000.00 Safe and Secure Communities Program grant. She explained these grant funds will be used to fund

officers who will be assigned to patrol duties, burglary details, narcotic and gang activities. The officers will be assigned to the Operations Division where they will be involved in crime deterrence and the apprehension of criminals. She said the officers will also be responsible for the citizens of the Township by utilizing Community Crime Prevention Programs, Neighborhood Watch and Problem Solving Policing.

Authorize Amended Council Meeting Dates

Vice President Crate stated this resolution authorizes amending Council meeting dates for February, March, April and May. She noted the new dates are: February 26, March 12 and 26, April 9 and 30, May 14 and 28.

Authorize Execution of Agreements – Life Guard Services for Private Beach Associations

Councilman Halloran stated this resolution authorizes the execution of agreements for lifeguard services at five private beach associations: Ocean Club, Mantoloking Condominium Association, Curtis Point, Deauville Beach & Bay Association and Mantoloking Shores Beach Association. He said in these agreements, the Township provides the Associations with fully certified and trained lifeguards and they are compensated for salaries of those guards.

Authorize Place-to-Place Transfer of Plenary Retail Distribution License – SP Holdings.

Vice President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the place-to-place transfer of a plenary retail distribution license issued to SP Holdings, trading as Forbes Wines & Liquors, from their former location at 580 Brick Boulevard to their new location in a different suite in the same shopping plaza.

Authorize Placement of Tax Liens for Property Clean-ups

Joanne Bergin stated this resolution authorizes the placement of tax liens for a property cleanup at 233 Pleasant Drive, Block 340.06 Lot 18 in the amount of \$1,254.62.

Authorize Special Events Permit – St. Patrick's Day Event

Vice President Crate stated this resolution authorizes a special events permit for a Saint Patrick's Day event from 7 am to 7 pm on March 15, 16 and 17 at the Mantoloking Road Ale House on Mantoloking Road.

Bond Releases/Reductions:

Clerk Iannarone advised the following:

- Performance Bond & Inspection Fund Release – Bay Harbor Plaza – Brick Boulevard in the amount of \$10,033.76.
- Performance Bond Release – French & Parrello Associates – Herbertsville Road in the amount of \$761.10.
- Performance Bond Release- Jerald Development/New Visions Phase II in the amount of \$506,500.89.
- Performance Bond Release- Jerald Development/New Visions Phase III in the amount of \$322,949.87.
- Inspection Fund Release – Blackman & Co., Inc. – Brick Boulevard in the amount of \$209.97.
- Inspection Fund Release – Doing Lines, LLC – Drum Point Road in the amount of \$358.10.
- Inspection Fund Release – Sterling Land Development – Princeton Avenue in the amount of \$49.74.

Tax Collector:

Joanne Bergin advised the following:

- Veteran Deductions Granted – 2018 there are six, each in the amount of \$250.00.
- Senior Citizens Deductions Granted – 2018 there are five, each in the amount of \$250.00.
- Tax Overpayments – 2017, 8 Ritchie Court, Block 255.13 Lot 2, in the amount of \$1,015.48.
- Tax Overpayments – 2019, 35 Johnson Avenue, Block 780, Lot 16 in the amount of \$2,136.01.
- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 673.01 Lot 19 – 801 Route 70 in the amount of \$16,136.15 which is a six-year appeal.

- State Tax Appeal Granted – Block 1422.17 Lot 27.03 – 505 Ridge Road, in the amount of \$16,253.75, which is a six-year appeal.

Vice President Crate opened the public hearing on the Resolutions.

John Sluka, 950 Sylvia Court, asked for clarification on the amended council meeting dates.

Vice President Crate addressed the meeting date changes.

Nan Coll, 18 Greenbriar Boulevard, stated her pleasure with more information was given on the resolutions specifically for the Life Guard services; she stated her displeasure the tax liens for property clean ups resolution.

There were no further comments from the audience.

Vice President Crate closed the public hearing on the Resolutions.

Councilman Fozman questioned a few bill resolutions.

Joanne Bergin gave him an explanation on each.

Vice President Crate opened the public hearing on the Computer Bill Resolution.

There were no comments from the audience.

Vice President Crate closed the public hearing on the Computer Bill Resolution.

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

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call, except:
Councilwoman deJong ABSTAINED on CME Associates

2019 Computer Bill Resolution in the amount of \$20,960,020.93

Vice President Crate opened the public hearing on the Manual Bill Resolution.

There were no comments from the audience.

Vice President Crate closed the public hearing on the Manual Bill Resolution.

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

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call, except:
Councilwoman deJong ABSTAINED on CME Associates

2019 Manual Bill Resolution in the amount of \$3,409,538.57

Vice President Crate opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

John Sluka, 950 Sylvia Court, read his letter regarding the parkway construction project and the need for a sound wall and the need for reforestation at Evergreen Woods and other surrounding areas.

Nan Coll, 18 Greenbriar Boulevard, remarked on Mrs. Bergin's comments at the last council meeting regarding the anonymous letter; spoke about having caucus meetings and to have council comments before public comments.

Michele Spector, 808 Jenny Court, spoke about the recent executive order the Governor signed on environmental justice.

Roxanne Jones, Laurelton Apartments, stated her displeasure with the Rain Tax that is waiting for a signature from the Governor and asked if there were any other cost effective alternative that Brick Township could do.

Councilman Fozman said he believes the Governor has not signed it yet.

Councilman Mummolo said this may have to do with storm water management.

Mayor Ducey explained that it basically would set up storm water utilities and a town would have a choice whether they want to set up one of these facilities and if they do they would be allowed to set a certain rate based upon impervious coverage and that would fund into the storm water utility much like a municipal utilities authority – this would be a separate utility to do storm water management and funded by this tax. He noted the State is making it optional to the towns whether they want to do such a thing. He said he would not be behind this it would be more up to the council, but said he does not want to see more money out of people's pockets.

Meerest Egal, spoke of and went into detail of his complaints with the Court Administration.

Melanie Briggs, Summit Avenue, said she follows the same rules as everyone to obtain an OPRA request and stated her displeasure with some accusations that were made; she spoke of about the reason for the five minute clock and people grandstanding at council meetings.

Vice President Crate closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Mayor Ducey announced Brick's 168th Birthday Party event on February 16th geared for children at Civic Plaza. He said he was able to meet with Congressman Andy Kim along with members of the Brick VA Clinic to get a birds eye view of how small that facility is and how limited the parking is there. He said the clinic has 400 appointments per day for primary care. He said hopefully he got across to the Congressman about the new site located at Jack Martin/Burrsville/Route 88 it's a perfect site and large enough for 400 parking spots the clinic would like to have, its large enough for the square footage they want and it is close to the parkway, not in a flood zone and is right next to the hospital. He said hopefully the VA people will agree because they are the ones going through the process.

Councilman Fozman gave an update on the Traders Cove dredging permit; he spoke about the anonymous letter the Land Use Committee received and noted that letter was investigated by Code Enforcement; he stated his concerns about the 50/50 raffles at Summerfest/FallFest; he spoke about the Public Works minutes of July 24th.

Councilwoman Pontoriero announced an upcoming Neighborhood Watch Meeting.

Councilwoman deJong congratulated the officers on their promotions; she gave an update on the Buy in Brick Program; she announced some upcoming Senior Outreach events.

Councilman Mummolo congratulated Lieutenants Joseph Olivieri and Neil Pederson; he spoke about the Public Works minutes of July 24th that were not released.

Councilman Halloran congratulated both Lieutenants.

Vice President Crate spoke the new display of theTake5 Photo Challenge pictures at Townhall.

Motion by Councilman Mummolo and seconded by Councilman Halloran to Adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

All Council Members voted AYE.

Lisa Crate
Council Vice President

Lynnette A. Iannarone
Township Clerk