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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 Andrea Zapcic*
Councilman Vince Minichino*
Councilwoman Heather deJong*
Councilman Paul Mummolo*
Councilwoman Marianna Pontoriero*
Council Vice President Arthur Halloran*
Council President Lisa Crate

Also Present

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

(*Present via Zoom)

Clerk Iannarone announced adequate notice of this meeting was provided and published in Asbury Park Press and The Ocean Star on January 7, 2020. Copies of the agenda were provided to the newspapers, posted on public bulletin boards and the township website (www.bricktownship.net).

President Crate thanked everyone for participating in this evening's Township Council meeting. She said the COVID-19 pandemic prevents them from meeting in the traditional way, but they have adjusted accordingly so that they can continue to conduct the business of the Township, and serve the residents. She said this meeting is available through the Zoom application, where you can see and hear tonight's meeting, and participate during all public comment periods as you would if they were all together in person. She said to ask a question or comment, please click on your device and a bar will appear on the bottom of your screen. One of the icons posted there is a "Raise your hand" button - click that to indicate you have a question. She said they can see that on their end and will call on people one at a time. Questions and comments are also welcome by email. The address is publicmeetingquestions@bricktownship.net and they will be checking emails throughout the meeting and will read those questions into the minutes and respond accordingly.

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

Motion by Councilman Mummolo and seconded by Councilwoman Zapcic dispense with the reading of the minutes of August 11, 2020 and approve the same.

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

Hunger Action Month

Mayor Ducey stated hunger and poverty are issues of grave concern in communities across the United States, the State of New Jersey and Brick Township. He said Brick Township is committed to taking steps to help raise awareness by working with Fulfill, formerly The FoodBank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties, to educate residents about the role and importance of food banks and the need to devote more attention and resources to hunger issues. He said this year due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, there has been more than 215,000 individuals in Monmouth and Ocean County that are food insecure and have been relying on food provided by Fulfill and its partners. He advised since March 13, 2020, Fulfill has provided almost two million meals with more than half of those meals provided to Ocean County residents and proclaimed the month of September 2020 to be Hunger Action Month.

Former Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno now Director of Fulfill echoed Mayor Ducey remarks of how people have become "food insecure". She spoke of how Fulfill has produced enough food for millions of meals. She thanked Mayor Ducey and Township Council Members for the proclamation.

Motion by Councilman Mummolo seconded by Councilwoman Zapcic to adopt the following Resolutions:

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

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Authorize Issuance & Sale of General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2020

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the issuance and sale of \$5,750,000 aggregate principal amount of general obligation bonds series 2020 as authorized by a refunding bond ordinance adopted by the Council on August 25, 2020. She said the sale provides a savings of \$225,083.82 to the Township.

Authorize Refund from Police Road Job Account

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes a refund in the amount of \$780.00 to the American Legion Post #348 from the Township's Police Road Job Trust Account and no additional services will be required.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – Improvements to Laurelhurst Phase I & II

Mayor Ducey stated this resolution authorizes the receipt of bids for Laurelhurst Phase 1 and II as approved in the 2020 capital budget. He explained the overall project generally consists of mill & overlay and profile mill/overlay as well as curb ramp upgrade, drainage improvements and other associated work to the following roads. He said in Phase 1: Salem Road, Laurelhurst Drive, Laurelwood Road, Forest Drive, Glenmere Drive and Sunnycrest Drive and in Phase 2: Robbins Court, Robbins Street, Diane Drive and Edgewood Drive.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – Purchase & Delivery of One Utility Truck with Folding Crane

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the receipt of bids for a utility truck with folding crane as approved in the 2020 capital budget.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – Stepp Parts, Supplies & Repairs

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the receipt of bids for Stepp parts, supplies and repairs. She said this bid is for various repairs to Township owned Stepp equipment including tar crack sealer and asphalt recycler which are used almost every day. She advised these repairs cannot be done in-house due to the specialized nature of the equipment and required training. She said in addition, currently there is no contract under any cooperative purchasing pricing systems that could be utilized. She noted funding for this contract is included in the Vehicle Maintenance Operating Budget.

Authorize Award of Bid – Automotive Parts, Supplies & Repairs

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the award of bid for automotive parts, supplies and repairs for vehicles under 15,000 GVW to Larson Ford, Lakewood, at an approved schedule of prices. She noted the term of this contract is two years commencing September 13, 2020. She said bid notices were provided to 28 prospective bidders from the bidders list and 11 requested bid packages of which two bids were received with Larson Ford being the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. She advised the Township has encumbered approximately \$17,500.00 for the current contract.

Authorize Renewal of Shared Services Agreement with County of Ocean – Leaf & Vegetative Waste Composting Program

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the renewal of the Vegetative Waste Composting Program Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean. She noted the agreement is for a five-year period commencing September 17, 2020. She explained State law requires municipalities to provide a system for the collection of leaves generated from residential premises, and also requires that each County provide composting facilities for each municipality in that County. She said as required, the Township monitors the materials collected to ensure it is free from any other waste and that it strictly residential vegetative waste.

Oppose the Cuts to School Based Youth Services Programs

Councilwoman Zapcic stated this resolution opposes cuts to School Based Youth Services Programs in Brick Township and across the State. She explained these programs have been in place for 30 years and provide critical mental health counseling, employment counseling, substance abuse education and prevention, health awareness, primary medical linkages, learning support, healthy youth development, recreation and information and referral to local community resources, She advised three of the School Based Youth Services Programs are in Brick Township at Brick Memorial High School, Brick Township High School and Veterans Memorial Middle School. She said in the 2019/2020 school year, School Based Youth Services Programs in Brick schools reached nearly 1,000 students including daily outreach during the

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2020 COVID homeschool quarantine with group and individual telehealth counseling sessions.

Amend Resolution 248-20 – Outdoor Dining.

President Crate stated this resolution amends the current outside dining resolution to provide additional guidance to our local restaurants to comply with the State's orders allowing for outdoor dining while making minor modifications to prepare for the cooler weather.

- **OFF** - *Authorize 2020-2021 Liquor License Renewals without Restrictions – Consumption, Distribution and Club Licenses*

- **OFF** - *Authorize 2020-2021 Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License Renewals with Restrictions:*
 - a. *Applebee's*
 - b. *Jack & Mike's Bar & Grill*
 - c. *Buffalo Wild Wings*
 - d. *Mantoloking Road Alehouse*
 - e. *Quaker Steak & Lube*
 - f. *Tuscany*
 - g. *Urban Coalhouse*
 - h. *Rosalita's/Tre*

Authorize Placement of Tax Liens for Property Cleanups

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the placement of a tax lien at: 204 Winchester Drive in the amount of \$953.90.

Authorize Special Events Permit – Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Celebration

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes a special event permit for PJ Sweeney's to conduct a Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Event on September 19th & 20th between the hours of Noon and 10 p.m. at 447 Brick Boulevard.

Bond Releases/Reductions:

Clerk Iannarone advised the following:

- Inspection Fund Release – Winch Plumbing & Heating – Lanes Mill Road in the amount of \$2,297.29.

Tax Collector:

Joanne Bergin advised the following:

- Tax Overpayments – 2020 there is two: 503 Mantoloking Road Block 177 Lot 3.01 in the amount of \$982.08 and 23 Jefferson Drive Block 1040 Lot 23 in the amount of \$1,739.20.

President Crate opened the public hearing on the Resolutions.

There were no comments from the public.

President Crate closed the public hearing on the Resolutions.

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

There were no comments from the public.

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

Motion by Councilman Mummolo and seconded by Vice President Halloran to adopt the following Resolution.

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call; except:
Councilwoman deJong ABSTAINED on deJong and CME Associates;
Councilman Mummolo ABSTAINED on Meridian Occupational Health

2020 Computer Bill Resolution in the amount of \$10,196,342.75

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

There were no comments from the public.

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

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Motion by Councilwoman Pontoriero and seconded by Councilman Mummolo to adopt the following Resolution.

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

2020 Manual Bill Resolution in the amount of \$1,781,848.12

Ordinance on First Reading: Amend Chapter 211- Outdoor Dining Areas

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

President Crate explained this ordinance amends the current outdoor dining ordinance to provide additional guidance to our local restaurants on ways to make minor modifications to existing outdoor dining areas to prepare for cooler weather. She said this will help the restaurants be able to serve outside past the summer months into the fall.

Motion by Councilman Mummolo and seconded by Councilwoman Pontoriero to adopt the following Ordinance on First Reading and said Ordinance be published as provided by law:

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRICK, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 211 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "GARAGE, FLEA MARKETS AND OTHER SALES" TO PERMIT OUTDOOR DINING AREAS

President Crate opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

There were no comments from the public.

President Crate closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Mayor Ducey expressed his condolences to the family of Staff Sergeant Vincent Marketta who unfortunately perished in Black Hawk helicopter crash while training with the Army's 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment.

Councilwoman Zapcic spoke about the cuts to School Based Youth Services Program.

Councilman Mummolo expressed his condolences to the Marketta Family for their loss.

Motion by Vice President Halloran and seconded by Councilwoman Zapcic to Adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

All Council Members voted AYE

Lisa Crate
Council President

Lynnette A. Iannarone
Township Clerk