

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*
 Councilwoman Marianna Pontoriero*
 Council Vice President Arthur Halloran*
 Council President Lisa Crate

Also Present

Mayor John G. Ducey
 Kevin Starkey, Township Attorney*
 Jessica L. Larney, Assistant Township Clerk
 Joanne Bergin, Business Administrator
 (*Present via Zoom)

Absent

Councilman Paul Mummolo

Assistant Clerk Larney announced adequate notice of this meeting was provided and published in Asbury Park Press on January 30, 2021 and The Ocean Star on February 5, 2021. 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 evenings 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 also noted the “Raise your Hand” icon can also be found by clicking on the “More” option. 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.

Assistant Clerk Larney was directed to accept and file the Building & Construction, Certificate of Occupancy, Engineering, Sewer & Water and Vital Statistics Reports for the month of April 2021.

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

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

Recognize National EMS Week – May 16 – 23rd

President Crate stated this resolution recognizes May 16-23 as Emergency Medical Services Week, and this year’s theme is: *This Is EMS: Caring for Our Communities*. She said the COVID-19 crisis has underscored the bravery and dedication of the men and women who serve as emergency medical technicians here in Brick Township. She said they are grateful for their knowledge, experience, and commitment to the residents today and every day.

Authorize Cancellation of Grant Appropriated Reserves & Receivables

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the cancellation of grant appropriated reserves and receivables in programs where the funds cannot be spent within the contract period.

Authorize Insertion of Chapter 159:

Assistant Clerk Larney advised the following:

- 2018 Recycling Grant in the amount of \$115,554.05.
- 2021 Pump Out Boat Grant in the amount of \$40,000.
- 2021 OC Tourism Grant in the amount of \$3,250.00.
- 2021 Cops in Shops College Summer Shore Initiative Grant in the amount of \$4,840.00.

Rescind the Dedicated Trust by Rider for Hurricane Sandy Donations

President Crate stated this resolution rescinds the dedicated trust by rider established for donations to Hurricane Sandy victims. She advised the funds have been dedicated and this resolution officially rescinds and closes the rider account.

Dedicate a Portion of the OCCARES Grant to Reimburse Municipalities - COVID-19 Expenses

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the Township to enter into an agreement with the County of Ocean for participation in the Ocean County CARES Grant program to reimburse municipalities for COVID-19 related costs.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – Uniforms for Various Departments

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the receipt of bids for uniforms for various departments. She explained this bid covers purchase and delivery of T-shirts, hats, polo shirts, golf shirts and sweat shirts for various programs such as the Recreation Basketball Leagues, Softball Leagues, Summerfest, Lifeguard, Summer Camp Counselor T-shirts, and Police Camp, etc. She said this bid is also used for purchasing departmental uniform shirts for Public Works, Tax Assessor, Code Enforcement and others.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – General Athletic Equipment & Supplies

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the receipt of bids for general athletic equipment and supplies. She explained this bid covers the purchase and delivery of numerous categories of equipment including athletic equipment, summer camp supplies, pre-school games, etc. used by the Recreation Department.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – Collision Repairs & Vehicle Painting

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the receipt of bids for collision repairs and vehicle painting. She said this bid is not only used for accidents but also for reconditioning of bodies from normal wear and tear due to inter-departmental transfers.

Authorize Receipt of Bids – Electrical Services

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the receipt of bids for electrical services as needed for large-scale township projects.

Authorize Award of Bid – Roof Replacement & Related Work at Municipal Building

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the award of bid for the roof replacement and related work at the Municipal Building to Northeast Roof Maintenance, in the amount of \$776,000.00. She explained the work in this project includes removal of the existing roof system and installation of a new roof system, and the removal and reinstallation of the existing photovoltaic system to accommodate replacement of the roof system. She advised bid notices were provided to eight prospective bidders from the bidders list and 13 requested bid packages of which nine bids were submitted with prices ranging from \$776,000.00 to \$2,420,000.00.

Authorize Award of Contract – Brick Beach 1 Food Concession Stand

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the award of contract for the Brick Beach 1 food concession to Castaway Kitchen, Brick, in the total amount of \$5,100.00 for one year. She advised bid notices were provided to 18 prospective bidders from the bidders list and seven picked up bid packages of which one bid was received.

Authorize Award of Contract – Brick Beach 3 Food Concession Stand

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the award of contract for the Brick Beach 3 food concession to Jersey Shore Snack Shack, Point Pleasant, in the total amount of \$45,300.00 for three years (\$15,100 per year). She advised bid notices were provided to 18 prospective bidders from the bidders list and six picked up bid packages of which one bid was received.

Authorize Award of Contract through NJ Cooperative Purchasing Program – Data Processing and Police Vehicles

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes an award of contract to two state Contract Vendors. The first is to SHI International Corporation in the amount of \$55,000.00 for Spatial Data Logic, software used by the building department. The second is to Winner Ford, in the

amount of \$195,480.60 for six 2021 Ford Utility Interceptors.

Authorization to Negotiate Contract – Fall Fest Food Vendor Concession

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes negotiations for a Fall Fest Food Vendor. She said the Township has gone out for bids twice for Fall Fest Food Vendor Concession and received no bids, therefore, this resolution provides the Business Administrator with the authority to negotiate a contract for Fall Fest food vendor concession.

Support the NJDOT Route 88 Bridge Replacement Project

President Crate stated this resolution supports the New Jersey Department of Transportation's highway improvement/bridge replacement project scheduled for the Route 88 Bridge over the Beaver Dam Creek. She advised construction is estimated to begin in 2024 and anticipated to be completed in approximately 24 months. She noted lane reductions will not occur during the summer months.

Authorize Waiver of the Noise Ordinance – BTMUA Well Replacement Project

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes a waiver of the noise ordinance for the Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority to replace an existing production well located at the William Miller Water Treatment Plant. She advised the waiver is to allow the contractor to drill the well continuously as needed 24 hours per day, 7 days a week starting for June 7, 2021 to September 13, 2021. She said the BTMUA will be providing advance notice to nearby residents and the contractor will erect a sound barrier to reduce the impact to neighboring residents.

Authorize Special Events Permit – Italian Feast

President Crate stated this resolution authorizes a special event permit for the Epiphany Church to conduct an Italian Feast on August 19, 20, 21 and 22nd at the Church located on Thiele Road between the hours of 5 and 10 pm.

Bond Releases/Reductions:

Assistant Clerk Larney advised the following:

- Road Opening Restoration Bond Releases Manasquan Savings Bank Letter of Credit in the amount of \$900.00 and the return of \$100.00 in a cash performance bond for 908 Partners LLC on Sandy Point Drive.
- Inspection Fund Release for M&J Real Estate Venture, LLC on Route 88 West in the amount of \$146.17.
- Inspection Fund Release for Longford Landscape & Excavation on Old Squan Road in the amount of \$139.98.
- Inspection Fund Release for Church of St. Dominic on Old Squan Road in the amount of \$391.21.

Tax Collector:

Joanne Bergin advised the following:

- Tax Overpayments for 2021 there are three: Block 1192.31 Lot 1 in the amount of \$315.75; Block 1210.08 Lot 16 in the amount of \$347.81 and Block 210.40 Lot 17 in the amount of \$1,631.79.
- Issue Duplicate Tax Sale for Certificate #2019-0121.

Mayor Ducey thanked and congratulated the EMS for all their hard work over the past year and said how much they are appreciated – every day is EMS day in Brick Township and without them the town would not be the same.

President Crate opened the public hearing on the Resolutions.

Rich Campbell, 48 Bretonian Drive, asked what the cost of the police vehicles; he questioned whether electric vehicles were considered for this; he urged the Township look into these types of vehicles.

President Crate advised the total amount is \$195,480.00; she advised electric vehicles were not considered for this particular purchase.

Vice President Halloran replied that at the last council meeting the Mayor said there was

consideration for that type of vehicle and they are looking into grants for such.

There were no further comments from the audience.

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 Councilwoman Pontoriero and seconded by Vice President Halloran to adopt the following Resolution:

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

2021 Computer Bill Resolution in the amount of \$22,067,584.22

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.

Motion by Councilman Minichino and seconded by Vice President Halloran to adopt the following Resolution:

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

2021 Manual Bill Resolution in the amount of \$1,706,976.19

President Crate opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Rich Campbell, 48 Bretonian Drive, asked if the Township would consider posting the agenda on the Township's Public Facebook page and Instagram to try to get the younger members of the community involved; he questioned when the council meetings would be opened to the public; he commented on the Zoom council meetings and urged they keep the Zoom meetings along with having public at the meetings.

Joanne Bergin advised the current procedure for all Township public meetings.

Kaitlyn, Hooper Avenue, asked how she could go about having a memorial service at Lake Riviera's Dock.

President Crate advised her to call the Recreation Department to obtain a permit.

There were no further comments from the public.

President Crate closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Councilwoman Zapcic spoke of May being Mental Health Awareness Month and gave some particulars on some of the support services available.

Council Members congratulated and thanked the EMS for all their hard work and their professionalism in the job.

Motion by Vice President Halloran and seconded by Councilman Minichino to Adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

All Council Members voted AYE.

Lisa Crate
Council President

Jessica L. Larney
Assistant Township Clerk