

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

Councilman Perry Albanese
Councilwoman Andrea Zapcic
Councilwoman Heather deJong
Council Vice President Lisa Crate
Council President Vince Minichino

Also Present

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

Absent

Councilwoman Marianna Pontoriero
Councilman Arthur Halloran

Clerk Iannarone announced adequate notice of this meeting was provided and published in Asbury Park and The Ocean Star on December 10, 2021. 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 a salute to the flag followed by a moment of silence.

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

Motion by Vice President Crate and seconded by Councilwoman Zapcic to dispense with the reading of the minutes of January 1st and January 11, 2022 Meetings and approve the same.

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call; except:
Councilwoman Zapcic ABSTAINED on January 1st because she was absent;
Councilwoman deJong ABSTAINED on January 11th because she was absent.

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

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

Authorize Award of Bid – Tree Trimming, Removal & Disposal Services

Councilwoman deJong stated this resolution authorizes the award of bid for tree trimming, removal and disposal services to Falkinburg Tree Expert Company in accordance with a schedule of prices based on various services. She said this will be an open-ended contract not to exceed \$20,000.00 per year with funds to be certified prior to each service. She advised bid notices were sent to 35 prospective bidders from the bidders list and seven picked up bid package of which one bid was received that being from Falkinburg Tree Experts as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. She said this will be a two-year contract commencing on January 29, 2022 and ending on January 28, 2024. She advised to date, the Township has encumbered approximately \$35,200.00 for the current two-year contract.

Authorize Award of Bid – On-Site Environmentally Safe Truck Wash Services

Vice President Crate stated this resolution authorizes the award of bid for on-site environmentally safe truck wash services to Milspray, LLC, at a schedule of prices based on the type of vehicle. She said this is a unit price bid not to exceed \$80,000.00 per year with funds to be certified prior to each order. She said the award is for two years commencing January 26, 2022 and ending on January 25, 2024. She said to date, the Township has encumbered approximately \$137,000.00 for the current two-year contract. She advised bid notices were sent to 20 bidders and five picked up bid packages of which one bid was received that being from Milspray, LLC, being the lowest responsible bidder.

Authorize Award of Contract through NJ Cooperative Purchasing Program – Lektriever

Councilman Albanese stated this resolution authorizes the award of contract for a Lektriever filing system for the Land Use Department to Garden State Office Systems & Equipment in the amount of \$48,392.50. He advised this purchase is being made through the NJ Cooperative Purchasing Program.

Authorize Close-Out Change Order #1 – Improvements to Baywood Phase 2

President Minichino stated this resolution authorizes close out change order No. 1 for the roadway improvements to Baywood Phase 2 project. He advised the change order decreases the contract by \$64,048.27 as a result of final as-built quantities.

Authorize Execution of Shared Services Agreement w/County of Ocean – Pump Out Boat Program

President Minichino stated this resolution authorizes the execution of a shared services agreement with the County of Ocean for the operation and maintenance of two pump out boats, the “Bay Saver” and “Bay Defender” to service the effluent discharge need of boaters in Brick Township’s waters. He said the pump out boats provide a convenient, inexpensive and environmentally safe means for boaters to dispose of the effluent waste. He advised in this agreement, Brick operates and maintains the pump out boats and the County reimburses the Township up to \$20,000.00 for each boat for costs incurred.

Authorize Execution of Shared Services Agreement w/Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office Fatal Accident Support Team

Councilwoman Zapcic stated this resolution authorizes the execution of a shared services agreement in place with the Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office to designate Brick Township Police officers to be assigned to the Fatal Accident Support Team for the purpose of assisting in investigation, prosecution of fatal accidents and in traffic enforcement and education. She said during times where additional manpower is needed for investigations and/or training, members of the F.A.S.T. will be called upon to assist. She advised officers will be paid from money in the Prosecutor’s Program fund which has been designated by the Ocean County Prosecutor and the Ocean County Board of Commissioners.

Authorization to Waive Late Fee for Animal Licensing

Councilwoman deJong stated this resolution waives the \$1.00 late fee for animal licensing. She said due to the limited supplies, the Township Rabies Clinic will be held on January 30th which does not allow for residents to obtain an animal license by the January 31st deadline.

Bond Releases/Reductions:

Clerk Iannarone advised the following:

- Authorize the Denial of Release of Performance Guarantees for Eastern Enterprises on Jack Martin Boulevard - this resolution authorizes the denial for a release of the performance guarantees for Eastern Enterprises. At the request of the applicant, our engineering department conducted an inspection of site improvements to ascertain the status of improvements by the Performance Guarantees. Brick Township ordinance requires as-built drawing be submitted before the guaranty is considered for release. As each partial release is applied for, as-built drawings of the bonded improvements shall be submitted to the Township Engineer. The as-built plans have not been submitted and therefore, no release can be approved.
- Inspection Fund Release for Anthony Palladino, MAR-T Development on Mantoloking Road in the amount of \$123.25.
- Inspection Fund Release for Barghausen Consulting Engineers on Route 70 in the amount of \$400.00.
- Inspection Fund Release for Home Helpers on Duquesne Boulevard in the amount of \$401.66.
- Inspection Fund Release for Environmental Alliance on Mantoloking Road in the amount of \$43.85.
- Inspection Fund Release for D&J Realty Corp on Route 70 & Brick Boulevard in the amount of \$5,491.93.
- Inspection Fund Release for Helen Fayad on Chambers Bridge Road in the amount of \$826.64.
- Inspection Fund Release for HV Coffee, LLC on Herbertsville Road in the amount of \$387.07.
- Inspection Fund Release for Amber Petroleum Inc. on Burnt Tavern Road in amount of \$91.13.

Tax Collector:

Joanne Bergin advised the following:

- Tax Overpayments for 2022 there are two: Block 86.06 Lot 10 in the amount of \$1,790.27 and Block 903.27 Lot 8 in the amount of \$1,534.98.
- State Tax Appeal Granted for Block 382 Lot 8 - 35 Beaverson Boulevard in the amount of \$9,196.27 which is a two-year tax appeal.
- State Tax Appeal Granted for Block 382 Lot 8.01 – 35 Beaverson Boulevard in the amount of \$9,196.26 which is a two-year tax appeal.

President Minichino opened the public hearing on the Resolutions.

Sam Foster, 108 Teakwood Drive, asked if he could get a breakdown of the costs, etc., associated with the shared services agreements; he said he is questioning this because of a previous shared service agreement with Toms River.

Joanne Bergin advised he can do so by filing out an OPRA request

There were no further comments from the public.

President Minichino closed the public hearing on the Resolutions.

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

There were no comments from the public.

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

Motion by Councilwoman Zapcic and seconded by Vice President Crate to adopt the following Resolution:

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

2022 Computer Bill Resolution in the amount of \$2,945,990.16

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

There were no comments from the public.

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

Motion by Councilwoman deJong and seconded by Vice President Crate to adopt the following Resolution:

All Council Members voted AYE on Roll Call.

2022 Manual Bill Resolution in the amount of \$3,593,986.22

President Minichino 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 reforestation in various areas in Brick.

Stephen Brill, Jenny Court, spoke and stated his concerns with the parkway culvert fire incident near Evergreen Woods Complex; he advised that he has been trying to find out what toxins were released and they should have been warned about the air quality.

Louis Sauchelli, 106 D Street, spoke of his problematic issue he is having with his neighbor that put up a flag pole on the property line.

Nan Coll, 18 Greenbriar Boulevard, said everyone has the right to vote as a citizen and the right to speak at council meetings.

Sam Foster, 108 Teakwood Drive, welcomed Councilman Albanese and congratulated the new Council President Minichino; he spoke of the problem he is having with trying to correct a police report with the Brick Police and asked for direction.

Kevin Starkey advised the Mayor and Council have no jurisdiction over police matters and advised him Ocean County Prosecutor/Attorney General offices.

There were no further comments from the public.

President Minichino closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Mayor Ducey announced after a long fight the State now will hand over the school funding formula and data on each school district.

Kevin Starkey announced some upcoming BTMUA meetings.

Clerk Iannarone reminded all about the upcoming Rabies Clinic on Sunday.

Councilwoman Zapcic gave particulars on the free at home rapid COVID-19 test that are available from the Federal government.

Councilwoman deJong announced some upcoming grand openings; she gave particulars on the free tax service for seniors at the Senior Outreach Center and some of their upcoming events.

President Minichino congratulated the Brick Children's Community Theatre who captured awards and recognition at the 2022 Junior Theater Festival in Atlanta.

Motion by Vice President Crate and seconded by Councilwoman deJong to Adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

All Council Members voted AYE.

Vince Minichino
Council President

Lynnette A. Iannarone
Township Clerk