

**MINUTES OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 28, 2019 COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Council President Moench read the following announcement:

Notice of Meeting

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 4, 2019 by sending written and electronic notice to the Courier News and the Star Ledger, posting on the Township website and on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filing with the Township Clerk.

On call of the roll, the following Council members were present:

Allen Kurdyla (absent)
Filipe Pedroso
Christine Henderson-Rose
Council Vice President Howard Norgalis
Council President Matthew C. Moench

Also Present: James T. Naples, Township Administrator
William B. Savo, Township Attorney
Grace Njuguna, Deputy Township Clerk

Council President Moench led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

**FEBRUARY 21, 2019 - REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 21, 2019 - CLOSED SESSION**

These minutes will be considered for approval on Monday, March 4, 2019 during the regular session.

Council Reports

Council President Moench offered the reports will be presented during the regular session on March 4, 2019.

Mayor's Reports

Mr. Naples had no report

Public Comment

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the meeting was opened to the public.

Members of the public wishing to address the Council on any matter will be allowed two minutes to speak, unless there are unusual circumstances.

No one wished to be heard.

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Pedroso, the public comment portion was closed.

Resolutions

AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE AGREEMENT TO QUALCARE, INC., MARCH 1, 2019, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019, FOR FIXED REINSURANCE COSTS NOT TO EXCEED \$393,875 AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FOR 2019 ESTIMATED TO BE \$144,258

James Rick, Risk manager was present. It was confirmed that Qualcare was recently bought by Cigna. QualCare has offered a renewal of contract with current terms until the end of the year. This extension will allow QualCare/Cigna to provide us with a full proposal on the Cigna plan, which will replace the Qualcare plan in 2020.

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Pedroso the foregoing resolution was proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Kurdyla	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilwoman Rose	Aye
Council Vice-President Norgalis	Aye
Council President Moench	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution [#19-02-28-072](#) is appended to the official minutes.

The governing body briefly discussed the following resolutions. No action was taken.

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR APPROPRIATION RESERVE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$382,200.00

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION’S “ENFORCEMENT GUIDANCE ON THE CONSIDERATION OF ARREST AND CONVICTION RECORDS IN EMPLOYMENT DECISIONS UNDER TITLE VII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964”

This is a new requirement in order to adopt the budget.

NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2019 SOMERSET COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT BY THE FOLLOWING NONPROFITS WITH INTENDED PROJECTS WITHIN BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP: COURT

APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA) OF SOMERSET, HUNTERDON, AND WARREN COUNTIES, MARTIN LUTHER KING YOUTH CENTER, THE SHIMON AND SARA BIRNBAUM JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, VISIONS AND PATHWAYS, MIDDLE EARTH, THE NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE FOR DISABILITIES, THE PEOPLE CARE CENTER AND INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

This resolution certifies that the Township has been made aware of the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications from various non-profit groups.

AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE 2019 REGIONAL CENTER PARTNERSHIP PEDESTRIAN SAFETY CHALLENGE GRANT PROGRAM -PHASE 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING A TOWN-WIDE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE TRAVEL PLAN

This resolution will allow us to apply for a grant for the purpose of developing a town-wide pedestrian and bicycle travel plan and furthers our Complete Streets progress.

SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET AND BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP FOR THE MILLING, RESURFACING AND RESTRIPIING OF VARIOUS STREETS AS LISTED BELOW IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,157,720.

Council asked for information on details concerning how the streets were selected.

AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, ACCEPTANCE OF THE SITE IMPROVEMENTS, ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR PSE&G, ROUTE 22 EAST, BLOCK 382, LOT 5 & 5.01

AUTHORIZING FIREWORK DISPLAYS AT SOMERSET PATRIOTS STADIUM ON FRIDAY, APRIL 26 (RAIN DATE 4-27), SATURDAY, MAY 11 (RAIN DATE 5-16), THURSDAY, MAY 23 (RAIN DATE 6-6) FRIDAY, JUNE 7 (RAIN DATE 6-8) FRIDAY, JUNE 14 (RAIN DATE 6-18) SATURDAY, JUNE 15 (RAIN DATE 6-19), AND THURSDAY, JUNE 20 (RAIN DATE 6-28)

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PORTION FOR POLICE EXTRANEIOUS FEES FOR THE BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN HIGH SCHOOL ROBOTIC EVENT BEING HELD MARCH 16 & 17, 2019, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$895.80

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER AND BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP P.B.A. LOCAL NO. 174

**Motion to Set
Agenda**

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the agenda was set for the March 4, 2019 Township Council regular meeting.

On the motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Pedroso, the meeting reconvened adjourned at approximately 7:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda J. Doyle, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Matthew C. Moench
Council President