

MINUTES OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
November 7, 2013 COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, convened in a regular session meeting on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807.

Council President Rose 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 8, 2013, and the time change noticed on September 6, 2013, 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
Matthew C. Moench (arrived at 7:32pm)
Howard V. Norgalis
Filipe Pedroso
Council President Christine Henderson Rose

Also Present: James T. Naples, Township Administrator
Robert Bogart, Director of Municipal Services
William B. Savo, Township Attorney
Natasha Turchan, Director of Finance
Linda J. Doyle, Township Clerk

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

Council Reports

Councilman Norgalis reported he completed the school visits for the fire departments and attended an information session to discuss the proposed solutions for impounds 1 and 2 which are the worst of the areas in the Cyanamid Site. He also attended the Halloween festival and took part in an election. Councilman Norgalis congratulated Councilman Kurdyla and Pedroso on the election win. He also reminded everyone to change the batteries in their smoke detectors.

Councilman Pedroso had nothing new to report. He congratulated Councilman Kurdyla and Norgalis on their election win.

Councilman Kurdyla attended the remediation meetings concerning the Cyanamid property.

Councilman Moench congratulated Councilman Kurdyla, Norgalis and Pedroso on their election win. In lieu of the upcoming Veterans Day, he thanked the Veterans for their service.

Councilwoman Rose reported she attended the Halloween festival and congratulated Councilman Kurdyla, Norgalis and Pedroso on a race well run.

**Mayor's
Report**

Township Administrator Naples stated Mayor Hayes congratulates the Councilmen Elect. He also thanks everyone who took part in the very successful Halloween festival and added the Senior citizens event was very successful.

**Public
Comment**

On motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, 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.

Mark Lewis, President of the Green Knoll Fire Department was present. He stated in 2011, Green Knoll began construction of an addition to their fire house #2 on Dow Road and paid approximately \$4,466.00 in permit fees, inspection fees and a Certificate of Occupancy. Mr. Lewis asked for a refund of these monies noting they are a volunteer company.

Virginia Schrum, 126 Morgan Place was present. She spoke in opposition to having 24/7 operations/businesses within 200-ft of residential properties noting that Bridgewater residents expect a certain level of quality of life that will be impacted by traffic, lighting, noise, etc if such operations were allowed. She asked that Council consider putting an Ordinance in place that would restrict/prohibit 24/7 businesses.

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

Resolutions

PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2013 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40 A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P. L. 1948) - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANT -\$5,000.00

Township Administrator Naples advised this is a yearly grant from the State that affords our emergency operations.

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-239 is appended to the official minutes.

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$578,323.72 IN THE CURRENT FUND

Township Administrator Naples advised this will allow administration to move funds within the budget from where we have savings to where there is a deficit.

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-240 is appended to the official minutes.

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00 IN THE SEWER UTILITY FUND

Township Administrator Naples advised this will allow administration to move funds within the budget from where we have savings to where there is a deficit.

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye

Council President Rose

Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-241 is appended to the official minutes.

AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE FISCAL GRANT EXTENSION OF THE 2013 BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,782.00

Township Administrator Naples advised this is a grant that supports the various programs we use. The Governors Council has extended the 2013 grant term until 6/30/2014 in order to transition the grant to a fiscal year rather than a calendar year and this resolution will confirm same.

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Abstain

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-242 is appended to the official minutes.

AWARD OF CONTRACT TO NEW WORLD SYSTEMS FOR THE ANNUAL PROPRIETARY MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR THE CAD/RMS SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,648.00

Township Administrator Naples advised this will allow for software maintenance of the Police's CAD/RMS system until we migrate our 911 services.

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Nay
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-243 is appended to the official minutes.

APPOINTMENT CLASS III PLANNING BOARD MEMBER MATTHEW C. MOENCH

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Abstain
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-244 is appended to the official minutes.

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING, SURVEYING, INSPECTION, AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE 2013 - BRADLEY GARDENS AREA SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING, INC. (PCI), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$104,900.00

This award of contract will provide professional engineering, survey, inspection, and construction management services for the rehabilitation and renewal of sanitary sewerage facilities owned, operated, and maintained by the Township.

Township Engineer Bogart spoke highly of Professional Consulting, Inc. who has provided us services in the past and excelled.

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-245 is appended to the official minutes.

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING, SURVEYING, INSPECTION, AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES CONTRACT FOR

THE 2013 - FINDERNE AREA SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT TO JOHNSON, MIRMIRAN & THOMPSON (JMT), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$81,100.00

This award of contract will provide professional engineering, survey, inspection, and construction management services for the rehabilitation and renewal of sanitary sewerage facilities owned, operated, and maintained by the Township

Township Engineer Bogart spoke highly of Johnson, Mirman and Thompson and recommended the award of contract.

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-246 is appended to the official minutes.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES FOR THE GREEN KNOLL VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY FOR BUILDING PERMITS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ADDITION TO THE MEETING ROOM IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$4,394.00

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

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Council President Rose	Aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #13-11-07-247 is appended to the official minutes.

**Closed
Session**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bridgewater Township Council that this body will now hold a closed meeting to discuss litigation and contract negotiations.

When and if the matters discussed become public record, this will be made

known to the public at that time.

The public is excluded from said meeting and further notice thereof is dispensed with all in accordance with Sections 8 and 4a of the Open Public Meetings Act.

On the motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Moench, Council convened in closed session at 7:58 p.m.

A copy of resolution **#13-11-07-248** is appended to the official minutes.

On the motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting reconvened to open session at approximately 9:20 p.m.

On the motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda J. Doyle, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Christine Henderson-Rose
Council President