

**MINUTES OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
MARCH 17, 2022 COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

The Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, convened in a regular session on Thursday, March 17, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807 & via Live Online Broadcast.

Council President Kurdyla 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 7, 2022, BY SENDING WRITTEN NOTICE AND ELECTRONIC NOTICE TO THE COURIER NEWS AND THE STAR LEDGER; POSTING ON THE WEBSITE AND THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND FILING WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK. A SUBSEQUENT NOTICE WITH LIVESTREAM INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED ON MARCH 10, 2022.**

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

Councilman Michael Kirsh  
Councilman Howard V. Norgalis  
Councilman Filipe Pedroso  
Councilman Timothy Ring  
Council President Allen Kurdyla

Also Present: Matthew C. Moench, Mayor  
Michael Pappas, Township Administrator  
Wells Winegar, Deputy Township Administrator  
Christopher Corsini, Township Attorney  
Linda J. Doyle, Township Clerk

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

**Minutes**

**DECEMBER 20, 2021 - CLOSED SESSION  
DECEMBER 23, 2021 - SPECIAL SESSION  
JANUARY 6, 2022 - REORGANIZATION**

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Ring, the above referenced minutes were moved for approval and passed unanimously on a voice call vote.

**Council Reports**

Councilman Kirsh

- Nothing new to report

Councilman Norgalis:

- To our Jewish friends Happy Purim. Purim is a holiday which commemorates the saving of the Jewish people from Haman, an official of the Achaemenid Empire who was planning to have all of Persia's Jewish subjects killed, as recounted in the Book of Esther.
- To our Irish friends Happy St. Patrick's Day - Among the legends associated with St. Patrick is that he stood atop an Irish hillside and banished snakes from Ireland.
- On a sad note, decorated World War 2 hero Frank DeVita passed away. You will recall that we honored Frank by renaming a portion of Ardsley Lane in his honor.
- Spring arrives on Sunday. If you did not check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors when you moved your clocks ahead last Sunday please do so, it is very important.
- I am excited to see that our road bonding issue will be heard tonight. Bonding approval requires a super majority of the Council to approve. That means 4 yes votes so hopefully that will happen tonight.
- I want to thank those many folks who wished me well in my spinal surgery recovery especially those from across the aisle. Bill Metz thanks. For a number of weeks, I will have to limit my sitting in a chair for extended periods of time. I hope no one would be offended if from time to time I stand behind my chair.

Councilman Pedroso:

- Echoed Councilman Norgalis' comments with regard to the two holidays that we are acknowledging today.
- Expressed his thoughts and condolences for the loss of Frank DeVita.
- Had an animal shelter meeting at which time Manville's Mayor publicly stated it is likely that Manville may not want to continue as a partner in the Shelter although there is some interest in Manville being able to continue use of the shelter for its animal control services. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

Councilman Ring:

- On February 12<sup>th</sup>, attended the township's lunar new year's celebration held at the court yard in the municipal complex

- On February 22<sup>nd</sup>, attended a Planning Board meeting at which time they reviewed a small subdivision on Mt. Pleasant. The application included modifications to the existing storm water retention basin that the County has right of way on and has signed off on the modifications. All the lots were conforming; the subdivision did not involve any variances.
- On February 26<sup>th</sup>, attended a NJ Planning Officials basic accreditation Land Use course which is designed to meet the State requirements for those that serve on Municipal Planning Boards and Zoning Boards.
- The Board of Adjustment recently heard two applications. One was regarding a body shop looking to approve their adjoining lot in order to expand storage. With the growth of electrical vehicles such as Tesla, there is a need for indoor storage space. This application was approved with some revisions. The second application was for a small subdivision in the Martinsville section of Bridgewater. Several board members and residents expressed concern with the proposed stormwater management plan. The continuation of the hearing for this application is scheduled for April with revised plans.
- Saddened to learn of the passing of Frank DeVita. He was 96-years old veteran best known for his time with the US Coast guard during WWII.

#### Council President Kurdyla

- Echoed Councilman Norgalis' comments regarding St. Patrick's holiday and Frank DeVita's passing.

#### Mayor's Reports

##### Mayor Matthew C. Moench

- Acknowledged the passing of Frank DeVita. He was a long-term Bridgewater resident who served his Country honorably during WWII and in honor to that, a portion of Ardsley Lane was named after him.
- We will soon officially honor and welcome Judge Katherine E. Howes who is going to be our new Municipal Judge.
- We have a new series of videos on the Bridgewater website which were produced by a company known as CGI at no cost to the Township. These are promotional videos talking about some highlights of Bridgewater.
- With regard to our road program, Mayor Moench stated in 2019, we were able to construct 10.5miles of roads with a total of 24roads. In 2020, we constructed 8.5miles, totaling 25roads. Since the implementation of our road program in 2021, 16.1miles of roads were constructed which

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included 62roads. In 2022, we are estimating 13.5miles of roads with a total of 52roads. Mayor Moench further explained we were able to do more roads last year than we initially intended because we got such favorable pricing through our method of bidding. By starting off earlier this year, we have more opportunities to make sure we manage the market and the pricing. It was noted Administration is excited to get the 2022 project underway.

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$8,000,000 FOR VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO NEWBERRY STREET, BELLAONE STREET, CHESTNUT STREET, WALTERS BROOK DRIVE NORTH, ROLLING HILLS ROAD, ROLLING KNOLLS WAY, SHERLIN DRIVE, SHERWOOD ROAD, HICKORY DRIVE, CORNELLROAD, SUSSEX STREET, LINBERGER DRIVE, MIDDLEBROOK ROAD AND LIEDL AVENUE, INCLUDING CURBING, MILLING, PAVING, DRAINAGE, SEWER AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND VARIOUS ROAD OVERLAYS THROUGHOUT THE TOWNSHIP IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$7,600,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION**

Mayor Moench stated our website [www.ourBWroads.com](http://www.ourBWroads.com) has updated information that includes exactly what roads are on the list and the status of all the projects. He added we will be doing a road assessment in the near future to ensure we are working off current data as road conditions change over time.

Councilman Pedroso stated he will be abstaining from voting because although this project is a necessity, he opined this should be done in the context of the overall budget. Being we are bonding such a high number, he offered we should have some sense of what our overall numbers look like so that we can make responsible decisions for the town.

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

No one wished to be heard.

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

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

Councilman Kirsh

Aye

Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**ORDINANCE #22-03 WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-06-082](#) is appended to the official minutes

**Proclamation WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH**

Mayor Moench swore in Katherine Howes as Judge and read the following proclamation:

**HONORING JUDGE KATHERINE HOWES FOR BECOMING BRIDGEWATER’S FIRST FEMALE MUNICIPAL JUDGE AND PROCLAIMING MARCH AS WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH**

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social roles in every sphere of the life of the Nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force, working inside and outside of the home;

WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the Nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the Nation;

WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our Nation;

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major social change movement;

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all;

WHEREAS, Judge Katherine Howes began her judicial career in 1989, serving as a law clerk to the Honorable Edward W. Beglin, A.J.S.C. in Union County’s Superior Court, eventually moving on to serve as municipal court judge, as well as prosecutor and public defender in towns across the state;

WHEREAS, in 2011, Judge Howes was named ‘Outstanding Woman of the Year in Law’ by the Somerset County Commission on the Status of Women;

WHEREAS, Judge Katherine Howes served on the Board of Directors of Anderson House, a halfway house program serving women recovering from alcoholism and drug addiction and their co-occurring mental health disorders;

WHEREAS, Judge Katherine Howes served her community in Peapack Gladstone as a land use board member and councilwoman;

AND WHEREAS, Judge Katherine Howes serves as a beacon of exemplary behavior and achievement to of the girls of today and women of tomorrow;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Matthew C. Moench, do hereby proclaim March as “Women’s History Month,” and honor Judge Kathrine Howes for making history as Bridgewater’s first female municipal judge and for her role as an example of leadership and civic responsibility for us all.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-083](#) is appended to the official minutes

**Resolution**

**APPOINTMENT OF KATHERINE E. HOWES AS CHIEF MUNICIPAL JUDGE**

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-086](#) is appended to the official minutes

Mayor Moench swore in Judge Howes publicly as the first female municipal Judge in Bridgewater.

**Presentation    TOWING FEE ORDINANCE**

Police Chief Payne was present for the presentation and addressed updating the Bridgewater Township's towing and storage fee Ordinance which has not been updated since it was adopted in 2014. Chief Payne discussed the various fees proposed to be increased and explained there is need to update the fees in order to be more comparable to State police fees and in order to combat inflation.

Council was in consensus to have the Ordinance drafted by the Township's legal counsel for their review.

**Resolution    EXPRESSING BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP'S SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE AND CONDEMNING RUSSIAN VIOLATION OF UKRAINIAN SOVEREIGNTY, AS WELL AS EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR STATE-BASED MEASURES TO PROHIBIT INVESTMENT IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

Council President Kurdyla read the resolution in its entirety as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Ukraine has been a distinct civilization since the 9th Century BCE, with origins in the Federation of the Kyivan Rus out of which the modern states Russia and Belarus also emerged; and

**WHEREAS**, Ukraine has been a sovereign, independent state since the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991, with the Russian Federation recognizing Ukraine as an independent country as of December 2, 1991; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout its history, Ukraine has been the victim of great tragedies, including, in the 20th Century alone:

- the Holodomor genocide, a manmade, Soviet-orchestrated famine that resulted in the starvation deaths of at least 3.5 million people despite Ukraine having the most fertile soil in Europe;
- the Nazi occupation of Ukraine from 1941 through 1944, during which an estimated 900,000 to 1.6 million Ukrainian Jews and 3 to 4 million non-Jewish Ukrainians perished;
- the industrial disaster at the Soviet-operated Chernobyl nuclear power plant in 1986, which resulted in the death and significant illness of

thousands of Ukrainians, with environmental aftereffects felt in the country to this day; and

**WHEREAS**, Ukraine suffered yet another tragedy on February 24, 2022, when the army of the Russian Federation launched an unprovoked invasion of this sovereign country, resulting in a continuing international humanitarian emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, governments across the world, both small and large, have condemned this act of aggression and demanded peace and justice for the Ukrainian people; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey legislature has passed legislation (S1889/A3090), which would levy significant prohibitions on financial investment activity in the Russian Federation (akin to current New Jersey restrictions on similar activities with Iran that have been in place since 2008), with said legislation expected to be signed by Governor Phillip D. Murphy shortly.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, on behalf of all residents thereof, express their solidarity with the people of the Ukraine and their total condemnation of this unprovoked act of aggression perpetrated by the Russian Federation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Township Council, that the provisions of S1889/A3090, sponsored by, among others, Assemblyman John DiMaio of the 23rd Legislative District of which Bridgewater is part, should be implemented immediately by the Township of Bridgewater, with said legislation significantly prohibiting financial investment activity with the Russian Federation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true copy of this proclamation shall be transmitted to the Office of the Governor of New Jersey, the members of the 23rd Legislative District delegation, and such other entities as may be appropriate.

The Mayor and Council expressed their support for this resolution and for Ukraine.

Michael Andreik, 135 Davidson Avenue, Somerset, NJ of the Ukrainian History Educational Center was present. He stated he is affiliated with the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA and expressed appreciation for the overwhelming support they have received over the past few weeks. They are not a relief



organization nor do they directly solicit donations but are a history and culture organization whose main goal is to educate p.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

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**Public  
Comment**

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

On motion of Councilman Ring, seconded by Councilman Norgalis, the meeting was opened to the public for comment.

No one wished to be heard.

On motion of Councilman Kirsh, seconded by Councilman Ring, the public comment portion was closed.

**Resolutions**

**AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR APPROPRIATION RESERVE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$170,500.00 IN THE CURRENT FUND**

Mayor Moench stated this resolution will allow us to make transfers within the 2021 current fund in the amount of \$170,500.00.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-084](#) is appended to the official minutes

**AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL \$803,000.00, FROM \$2,409,000 to \$3,212,000, FOR HEALTHCARE COVERAGE FROM HORIZON BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEW JERSEY TO PROVIDE MEDICAL, PRESCRIPTION AND VISION INSURANCE TO THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER THROUGH FROM JAN. 1, 2022 TO APRIL 30, 2022.**

Mayor Moench explained we adopted by Resolution #21-12-20-293 a proposal from Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield to provide medical, prescription, dental, and vision insurance to the Township of Bridgewater for January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022 as certain changes to healthcare coverage were being worked on. This resolution will allow us to extend coverage for an additional month, through April 30, 2022 as said plans are being finalized.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-085](#) is appended to the official minutes

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A SHARED MUNICIPAL COURT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER AND THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2022 AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$826,208 OVER THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT**

Mayor Moench explained this resolution will allow us to continue Municipal Court Shared Services Agreement between Bridgewater and Somerville for a three-year period commencing on January 1, 2022 and ending on December 31, 2025.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-087](#) is appended to the official minutes

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH CCM CONTRACTING, INC. CONCERNING THE COMPLETION OF THE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT KNOWN AS BWT 2021-4 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - CAMBRIDGE LANE, MARK DRIVE, MUIRFIELD LANE AND TOK PLACE**

Mayor Moench explained we awarded a construction contract for the road improvement project known as BWT 2021-4 Roadway Improvement Project - Cambridge Lane, Mark Drive, Muirfield Lane and Tok Place through the public bidding process. As a result of multiple delays in the construction of the Project that were the result of inattentiveness on the part of the contractor, the Township declared the contractor in breach of contract and in default of its obligations. The contractor has offered a proposed settlement where they will complete the project to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer and will further accept a one-year ban on bidding on any other road construction project submitted for public bid by the Township. This resolution allows us to ratify said agreement.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-088](#) is appended to the official minutes

**RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER AND THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET FOR A CERTIFIED RECYCLING PROFESSIONAL (CRP) TO COMMENCE RETROACTIVELY TO JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022 AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$200**

This resolution will allow us to retain the services of the County of Somerset's Certified Recycling Professional (CRP) who will assist us in signing the mandatory annual municipal recycling tonnage report. Council expressed their frustration that the County is requesting a fee for these services, noting we liaise with the County on many occasions and opined this fee is unnecessary.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-089](#) is appended to the official minutes

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SOMERSET COUNTY FOR USE OF TOWNSHIP POLICE OFFICERS ON AN “AS AVAILABLE” AND “AS NEEDED” BASIS BY THE SOMERSET COUNTY PROSECUTORS OFFICE FOR SPECIFIED SERVICES AND FUNCTIONS**

Mayor Moench explained this resolution will allow us to enter into an agreement with the County for their use of our police officers on “as needed” basis during those times in which they may require the use of additional trained police personnel.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-090](#) is appended to the official minutes

**AUTHORIZING QUALIFIED FIRMS FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR LEGAL MATTERS REQUIRING A SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP FOR THE YEAR 2022**

Mayor Moench explained this resolution has a list of prequalified firms that are available in events where there is conflict. Furthermore, there are areas of expertise that these firms have which gives Township Attorney Corsini discretion as the director of law to call upon other prequalified firms to assist when it is necessary.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-091](#) is appended to the official minutes

**NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2022 SOMERSET COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT BY THE FOLLOWING NONPROFITS WITH INTENDED PROJECTS WITHIN BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP: THE MARTIN LUTHER KING YOUTH CENTER, THE SHIMON AND SARA BIRNBAUM JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, AND VISIONS AND PATHWAYS**

Mayor Moench explained this resolution is a requirement for the non-profit groups to advise the Council of their desire to participate in the 2022 Somerset County Community Development Block Grant Program.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-092](#) is appended to the official minutes

**PROJECT RESOLUTION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING/DESIGN/ INSPECTION SERVICES FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MIDDLEBROOK SANITARY SEWER PUMPING STATION - PHASE I TO COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN (DBA MASER CONSULTING) (53 FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 110, HAMPTON, NJ 08827) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$43,000.00, FUNDED THROUGH THE 21-13 SEWER BOND ORDINANCE**

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-093](#) is appended to the official minutes

**AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SITE ACCESS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER AND ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, LLC FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A MONITORING WELL IN THE RIGHT OF WAY FRONTING 336 SUNNYSIDE TERRACE, BLOCK 221, LOT 26**

Mayor Moench explained this resolution will allow us to make improvements to the Middlebrook Sanitary Sewer Pump Station.

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

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-094](#) is appended to the official minutes

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT KURDYLA READ THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE THEN CALLED FOR A CONSENT MOTION.**

**AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1/FINAL CHANGE ORDER INCREASING THE CONTRACT PRICE FROM \$51,390.00 TO \$79,190.00, AN INCREASE OF \$27,800.00, ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROJECT AND FINAL PAYMENT TO REINER PUMP SYSTEMS, INC. (53 US HIGHWAY 206, STANHOPE, NJ 07874) FOR PUMP INSTALLATION AT GILBRIDE PUMP STATION FUNDED THROUGH THE 21-13 SEWER BOND ORDINANCE**

**AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1/FINAL CHANGE ORDER INCREASING THE CONTRACT PRICE TO SUPPLY EQUIPMENT AND LABOR AT THE GILBRIDE SANITARY SEWER PUMP STATION FROM \$281,290.00 TO \$325,513.75, AN INCREASE OF \$44,223.76 ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROJECT AND FINAL PAYMENT TO RAPID PUMP & METER SERVICE CO., INC. (PO BOX AY, 285 STRAIGHT**

**STREET, PATERSON, NJ 07059) FUNDED THROUGH THE 21-13 SEWER BOND ORDINANCE**

**AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1/FINAL CHANGE ORDER INCREASING THE CONTRACT PRICE FROM \$42,500.00 TO \$45,500.00, AN INCREASE OF \$3,000.00, ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROJECT AND FINAL PAYMENT TO VNL, INC. (158 OLD TURNPIKE ROAD, CALIFON, NJ 07830) FOR REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION OF VALVES AT THE GILBRIDE PUMP STATION FUNDED THROUGH THE 21-13 SEWER BOND ORDINANCE**

On motion of Councilman Kirsh, seconded by Councilman Ring, the foregoing resolutions were proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Kirsh	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Absent
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilman Ring	Aye
Council President Kurdyla	Aye

**THE RESOLUTIONS WERE APPROVED.**

Copies of resolution [#22-03-17-095 thru #22-03-17-097](#) are 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 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 Kirsh, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, Council convened in closed session at approximately 8:35 p.m.

A copy of resolution [#22-03-17-098](#) is appended to the official minutes.

On the motion of Councilman Ring, seconded by Councilman Kirsh, the meeting reconvened to open session at approximately 10:00 p.m. and adjourned immediately thereafter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda J. Doyle, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

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Allen Kurdyla  
Council President