

February 11, 2014

**RESOLUTION 2014-
ENDORSES THE US MAYORS CLIMATE PROTECTION AGREEMENT**

Mayor Engelstad offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, we the federal government and state governments to enact policies and programs to meet or beat the target of reducing global warming pollution levels to 7 percent below 1990 levels, including efforts to reduce the United State’s dependence on fossil fuels and accelerate the development of clean, economical energy resources and fuel-efficient technologies such as conservation, methane recovery for energy generation, waste to energy, wind and solar energy, fuel cells, efficient motor vehicles, and biofuels; and

WHEREAS, we urge the US Congress to pass bipartisan greenhouse gas reduction legislation that includes clear timetables and emissions limits and a flexible, market-based system of tradable allowances among emitting industries; and

WHEREAS, we will strive to meet or exceed Kyoto Protocol targets for reducing global warming pollution by taking actions in our own operation and communities such as:

1. Inventory global warming emissions in the Borough operations and in the community, set reduction targets and create an action plan
2. Adopt and enforce land-use policies that reduce sprawl, preserve open space and create compact, walkable urban communities
3. Promote transportation options such as bicycle trails, commute trip reduction programs, incentives for car pooling and public transit
4. Increase the use of clean, alternative energy by, for example, investing in “green tags”, advocating for the development of renewable energy resources, recovering landfill methane for energy production, and supporting the use of waste to energy technology
5. Make energy efficiency a priority through building code improvement, retrofitting city facilities with energy efficient lighting and urging employees to conserve energy and save money
6. Purchase only Energy Star equipment and appliances for Borough use
7. Practice and promote sustainable building practices using the US Green Building Council’s LEED program or a similar system
8. Increase the average fuel efficiency of municipal fleet vehicles; reduce the number of vehicles; launch an employee education program including anti-idling messages; convert diesel vehicles to bio-diesel
9. Evaluate opportunities to increase pump efficiency in water and wastewater systems; recover wastewater treatment methane for energy production
10. Increase recycling rates in Borough operations and in the community
11. Maintain healthy urban forests; promote tree planting to increase shading and to absorb CO2
12. Help educate the public, schools, other jurisdictions, professional associations, business and industry about reducing global warming pollution

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach supports and authorizes the Mayor to sign the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement and we thank Max Owens for bringing this to our attention.

Seconded by Councilman _____ and adopted on roll call by the following vote:

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Mr. Cotler
Mr. Volante
Mr. Goldfarb
Mr. Galassetti
Mayor Engelstad