## BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH, MONMOUTH COUNTY

## **RESOLUTION 2022-86**

## RESOLUTION DIRECTING ITS ENERGY CONSULTANT AND PROVIDING PARAMETERS WITHIN WHICH TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE SUSTAINABLE MONMOUTH ALLIANCE ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM FOR THE BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH

**Mayor Fox** offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Bradley Beach (the "Borough") strives to be a sustainable community by initiating and supporting environmental efforts aimed to preserve and maintain clean land, air and water; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough supports efforts to improve and increase the renewable content ("cleaner energy") of our electricity supply; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough supports efforts to both lower residents' electricity bills and reduce the environmental impact of their electrical usage, and

**WHEREAS,** the Government Energy Aggregation Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 *et seq.* governs the establishment of a government energy aggregation program, which is a government-operated purchasing cooperative through which multiple energy consumers purchase energy together under the auspices of a government aggregator; and

**WHEREAS,** the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("BPU") has promulgated rules (N.J.A.C. 14:4-6) for the implementation of government energy aggregation programs; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Government Energy Aggregation Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 *et seq.*, the Borough is participating in a coalition of Monmouth County municipalities, the Sustainable Monmouth Alliance, for the purpose of pooling purchasing and negotiating power for better energy pricing and improved environmental attributes; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough seeks to give residents the option for purchasing 100% renewable energy if they so choose;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey hereby directs its energy consultant to solicit bids on energy with the following options:

- (1) The default (do nothing) option shall save participants at least 5% off their current electricity charges; and
- (2) The default option shall increase the amount of renewable energy to 35% in the energy purchased; and
- (3) The renewable energy may be obtained from any part of the United States of America; and
- (4) There shall be an option for purchasing 100% renewable energy for those who want to opt-in to same; and
- (5) The electric bills of the Borough of Bradley Beach shall be included in the energy aggregation at the percentages set forth hereinabove for the default options.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Borough Administrator, Sustainable Monmouth Alliance, and the Borough's Energy Consultant. Seconded by Councilman Bonnell and adopted upon the following vote:

	AYES	NAYS	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	ABSENT
Mr. Bonnell	X			
Mr. Gubitosi	X			
Mr. Sexsmith	X			
Mr. Weber	X			
Mayor Fox	X			

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Erica Kostyz, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Bradley Beach, Monmouth County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body at the March 8, 2022 Council Meeting.

Erica Kostyz ERICA KOSTYZ, RMC, CMR

Municipal Clerk