

REORGANIZATION MEETING

January 1, 2017

2:00 p.m.

Mr. Charlie Geter called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. and handed it over to the Township Clerk, Kim Macellaro. She wished everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. She then introduced and welcomed Mr. Charlie Geter, former radio personality in Philadelphia and Trenton, a member of Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority and community activist to the podium for welcoming and opening remarks.

Mr. Geter commented that Mayor Steinmann ordered the weather for them just for the day. He clarified that all along life's highway, you are always told to give 100%. But, he said, never do that if you are going to give blood. (Laughter). He then introduced Father Michael Hall from Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Ewing Township to give the Invocation. He asked for blessings on the Council. He said that on this New Year's Day we reflect with gratitude on the blessings and also the challenges of the past year as we approach this new one with hope. Although, he continued, we live in an imperfect world it is full of good people of strong character who spend their lives working for the strength and advancement for the common good. He asked God to grant them clarity of purpose and strength of conviction in their deliberations and decisions. He asked God's blessings to keep our hearts and minds open to the graces and joys ahead as we recognize with gratitude the honor we are given to be true servants to the community.

Mr. Charlie Geter then asked that all remain standing as he introduced the Ewing Police Honor Guard to present the colors of our Country and our Community. Mr. Geter thanked all the members of the Police Department for attending: Lt. Daniel McGuire, Officer Robert Birchenough, Officer Mohamed Omara, Officer Abdelbasset Jibbou, Piper/Lt. David LaBaw and Snare/Christopher LaBaw. He then led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

At this time, Mr. Geter turned over the inaugural proceedings to Clerk Kim Macellaro who read the Open Public Meetings Statement.

The Clerk read Open Public Meetings Statement.

The notice requirements provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been satisfied. Notice of this Reorganization meeting was properly transmitted to the Times of Trenton and the Trentonian, filed with the Clerk of the Township of Ewing and posted in the Ewing Township Municipal Complex, all on the 12th day of December 2016.

The Clerk then announced that the Ewing Township Municipal Reorganization Meeting is now in session.

The Clerk read the election notices of the three re-elected Council persons and started with Kevin Baxter. Clerk Macellaro then swore in Councilman Kevin Baxter. She then read the election notice of Jennifer Keyes-Maloney, sworn in by her husband, John Maloney, Esq. and the election notice of David Schroth, sworn in by Mercer County Clerk, Paula Sollami-Covello.

She presented the Council for the 2017 year and took the roll call.

ROLL CALL

- Councilman Kevin Baxter - Present
- Councilwoman Jennifer Keyes-Maloney - Present
- Councilman David Schroth - Present
- Councilwoman Sarah Steward - Present
- Councilwoman Kathleen Wollert - Present

Municipal Clerk Kim Macellaro said that she would now entertain a motion for Council President. Councilman Schroth nominated Sarah Steward, seconded by Councilwoman Wollert. Hearing no questions and no further nominations, the Clerk asked for a roll call

ROLL CALL

Ms. Wollert	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES

The nomination was carried and the newly elected President received the Oath of Office from Mayor Bert Steinmann with the Bible being held by her Mother, Caroline Steward and accompanied by her Dad, George Steward.

The Clerk noted that the minutes will reflect that she now relinquishes the floor to Council President Steward.

The Council President announced that nominations were open for Council Vice President. Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney nominated Councilwoman Wollert and it was seconded by Councilman Baxter. Hearing no questions on the motion and no further nominations, President Steward called for a roll call.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
President Steward	YES

The nomination was carried and the newly elected Vice President received the Oath of Office from the Township Clerk Kim Macellaro.

President Steward introduced Mayor Steinmann for his comments:

Mayor Steinmann took the opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year and many, many prosperous days ahead. He continued that it is a real pleasure to be able to serve with the Council. He thanked everyone in Ewing Township for the opportunity to serve them all. With current and past Councils, we have served Ewing Township well. We have brought integrity back to Government both locally and even have some influence at the County level. He thanked Brian Hughes for that opportunity. He further stated that it is a partnership and couldn't be done without the County, State and even the Federal Government. He pointed out that former congressman Rush Holt was an integral part of Ewing Township when we did the flood mitigation plan back in the 1990's and he thanked him for being there. Bonnie Watson Coleman carries that tradition that Rush left forward, Mayor Steinmann said. Always thinking about her community where she was involved and we really appreciate that. He further continued to our legislators, we appreciate Liz Muoio and Reed Gusciora. He didn't name everyone because he knew that Charlie Geter would mention them all at the end. He appreciated all that came out to support Ewing Township Council. He said that he knows they are going to give him a hard time once in a while and that is good. He looked forward to hearing their creative ideas as to what we can do in the future. He ended by saying, God bless you, the Township and God Bless America. (Applause)

President Steward wished everyone a Happy New Year. She continued that it was great to see family, friends, and quite an assemblage of leaders in our town and county. Special thanks went out to her pastor, Father Michael Hall, who just became the pastor about a week ago at Our Lady of Good Counsel. She thanked her colleagues for supporting her and she commits to do her best for them and the town. She expressed her gratitude to Councilman Schroth who served as Council President for the past year and helped her greatly as she undertook the role as Vice President. She thanked Mayor Steinmann who serves the township with great distinction. She looks forward to working with him. She thanked the employees, led by our excellent Administrator, Jim McManimon. Your daily work is noticed and appreciated. This includes our first responders such as Police, Fire and EMT's both paid and volunteer. She thanked them for keeping our community safe and secure. She thanked the team who make our Council meetings run effective and efficient, Kim and Sue. She thanked the CFO and Township Attorney. She thanked all those who serve on township committees and commissions. She also thanked the School Board. She thanked her family and friends and also Rush Holt for his support. Most importantly she thanked the residents of the township for their continued support and Council involvement and encouragement.

She said that it seems like a good time to reflect on where we are and where we are headed. It is an exciting transition in Ewing Township with new development, revitalizing dormant properties, investments in our community and public safety and she is particularly proud of the townships achievement of solar certification from Sustainable Jersey. We were also recognized for earning more sustainable jersey points for taking positive actions than any other comparable sized town, and in fact, the second most in the entire state. She said she is honored to be part of the Sustainable Green Team. They combine their talents to make some truly notable progress such as the bike tour, business recognition programs, shred days, educating residents on recycling, support community garden, partnering with administration and council to beautify our public spaces. This group of people, all volunteers, with a meager budget, accomplish impressive and meaningful things. She says they are not alone – there is Arts, Historic Preservation, Recreation, Zoning and Planning, firehouses and community centers and churches and so much more and it makes her hopeful about the future of this community. She is excited about the continued municipal projects – renovations at the Hollowbrook Center, the installation of the Splash Parks at the two municipal pools, upgrades at commercial sites, the GM site, the Town Center, and the Walgreens and Wawa to name a few. She looks forward to continuing to improve the delivery of municipal services, communication with the residents and to invest your tax dollars wisely. She welcomed feedback and participation from the community. She is humbled and honored to continue to serve the residents of Ewing. (Applause)

Vice President Wollert started by expressing her best wishes and the wishes of her family for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. She further said that she sees so many familiar faces and it is a pleasure and so encouraging to see people who are willing to take time from their day, after a busy night, to come out and be with us today and encourage us to give our best back to our community. She further said that Sarah did a fine job of recognizing everyone in our town who does participate in making our town better. As Tip O'Neill famously said, "all politics is local". That is so true, she said. The County has a presence and we welcome it, the State Legislature has a presence very near to us. Of course, from the Federal Government, Rush was always here for us and Bonnie Watson Coleman was as well. She thanked Rush Holt for his years of service to the town. She went on to say that we look forward to continuing to build on the progress that has been made in our town. It is important that we hear from the people who live in our town and those surrounding us. What we do impacts other parts of our County. She asked that everyone look for the best in all people. She thanked everyone for being there and looks forward to working with you and for you in the coming year. (Applause)

Councilwoman Jennifer Keyes-Maloney said that her sister, Robyn, reminded her last night that Shakespeare once said "Brevity is the soul of wit" and that she is standing between all of you and rest of your day. She promised to keep it short. She thanked everyone for coming and said that their presence means the world to her. She said she will strive every day to make you proud. She thanked her fellow Councilmembers – President Schroth for serving us well over the last year and President Steward and Vice President Wollert, she welcomed their leadership in this coming year. She thanked the Administration for their leadership, Mayor Steinmann, Jim, Joanna, Chief Stemler, Maeve, Chuck, Teri, Jeff, Tom, Tom, Ted, Dee and if she forgot anyone she is sorry, but you all serve with distinction and you serve the citizens of Ewing every single day in ways that you cannot measure. Thank you for all that you and your teams do. Thank you for the volunteers – whether through fire service or planning/zoning, we have heard some great things that happen. Thank you to the elected and appointed officials here. We live in a fantastic part of New Jersey because of the work that you do with us and for us. Lastly, she thanked her family, both the Keyes and Maloney parts. You are what give me strength, balance and hope and she expressed that she loves them all. She ended with two quotes. Her husband always tells her to find a quote and make it work the best you can. The first quote is written by a poet, Ralph Waldo Emerson and the second by John F Kennedy. Emerson once said, "*Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could; some blunders and absurdities have crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; you shall begin it serenely and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense*" and many decades later, Kennedy went on to say, "*let us begin anew--remembering on both sides that civility is not a sign of weakness, and sincerity is always subject to proof. Let us never negotiate out of fear. But let us never fear to negotiate. Let both sides explore what problems unite us instead of belaboring those problems which divide us*". Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney stated that both these quotes give us an end to the year past with some reflection and the ability to search forward better and happier than ever before. She wished everyone a Happy New Year and God's blessings.

Councilman Baxter said that as his colleagues have expressed, thank you all for being here. He thanked past President Dave Schroth who led us last year and did a fabulous job working tirelessly and he was proud to be on the team. He looks forward to working with President Steward and Vice President Wollert. He expressed that as a senior member of the Council, he would be willing to give any help or advice that is needed, as we are here to work together and work for the best for Ewing Township. We dealt with some challenges last year, but throughout we still kept a great budget, maintained a high credit rating and really welcome public comment with regard to same. He further said that we purchased new firetrucks for the three companies with the reciprocal approach of making sure they do their best for the citizens and they continue to work along with us – whether volunteers or career – and someday we can be one happy “fire family”. He said he appreciated the crime rate being very low in Ewing and thanked Chief Stemler and Officers for them putting their lives on the line for making it a safe place for us in Ewing Township. He said that you can tell your town is safe when you see joggers running at 10:00 at night. He said that the police work very hard and he has had many conversations with the Chief and the Officers with regard to some of the tactics and their approaches and he has been assured that their version and ideas about de-escalation as opposed to being aggressive with their policing. We have not made any headlines about being over aggressive and he is very proud and very positive for our police force and the way they do their training and we see their fruition as it comes about. He further said that last year was a tough transition that took place in the Construction Office where we lost two professionals with over 25 years’ experience each. There were a lot of bumps and stumbles along the way. We are working diligently through it and the Mayor and BA are on top of it. He thanked the girls (support staff) that work in that office - Karen, Lisa, Amy and Imelda. They work hard and put in hours and ask for nothing. He wanted them to be recognized on the record. Our Health Department has employees that work very, very hard each and every day. He gave a special shout-out to Ms. Carol Martin, who is our only food inspector. He explained that every establishment that sells or serves food, must be inspected and this lady is the only person who does it and without complaint and he feels she deserves a raise (laughter). Councilman Baxter said that the Mayor knows he is the wild card and speaks his mind. He commented that as a Government Body, he feels like they get attacked a lot, because they are all of the same political party. He feels that works in their best interest. They make their decisions from their education, knowledge, experience and their heart. In looking forward to the future, he is going to continue being on the Recreation Board and has asked the Mayor about applying for a grant that will get us some money for facility upgrades, programs, league fields and put to bed a couple of issues that we have with some of our parks and fields. He would like to continue seeing our dedicated volunteer firemen to aid our career staff. He would like to see us start doing a food drive to kind of aid Mercer Street Friends and to help those that are less fortunate than us. In speaking with the Business Administrator, he wants to do some curb side addressing so that our emergency responders can more easily find you or even the pizza delivery person. He is looking forward to the new design of our Hollowbrook Community Center. The kiddie pools at the Community Centers will be a nice addition. Councilman Baxter piggy backed on what President Steward said about the importance of recycling. Mr. Nettleton is the school liaison on the Green Team and they look forward to teaching the children about that importance. In closing, he said, these are just some of the things we have done and looking forward to doing. It is a pleasure to be here and make things happen. He thanked the Mayor for his leadership. He also thanked the Business Administrator whose door is always open as well as his phone line. He will answer you, work with you and get in touch with you. It takes time for things to get done, but it will get done. He wished everyone a Happy New Year and a Prosperous 2017! (Applause)

Councilman Schroth wished everyone a Happy New Year and echoed all of the comments of his fellow Council members. He congratulated Sarah for being nominated as President and Kathy as Council Vice President. He particularly thanked Jennifer and Kevin for running a great campaign together. He looks forward to serving with them and all of Council for another four years. He thanked the former Mayor and Township Democratic Chairmen, Bob Dorio, who masterfully ran the campaign. There is no one better in the business, period. He thanked Bob for being a friend and a mentor. He congratulated Verlina Reynolds-Jackson, who stepped in mid-stream to oversee our countywide campaigns. To jump in mid-stream was phenomenal and she did a phenomenal job. He thanked all of the employees of the town, but singled out Sue and Kim, as they make this happen. Finally, he said, I would like to thank the Mayor. Mayor Steinmann has done a phenomenal job along with his Business Administrator, Jim McManimon. Ewing Township is in a better place today than it

has been in the last few decades. He looks forward to the many projects that are underway, some quicker than others, but it is something for all of us to look forward to. Best wishes and Happy New Year to all! (Applause)

At this time, the Clerk presented the reorganization consent agenda for approval.

REORGANIZATION CONSENT AGENDA – (Resolution #17R-01/)

All items listed under Item P, Reorganization Consent Agenda, are considered routine by the Township Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Reorganization Consent Agenda and considered separately. There will be one motion for all items listed.

1. A Resolution setting observance of holidays.
2. A Resolution designating official newspapers.
3. A Resolution of meeting dates of various Township Boards, Commissions and the Township Council.
4. A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of the Ewing Township Cash Management Plan for 2017.
5. A Resolution adopting procedures for the conduct of Council, 2017.
6. A Resolution amending Resolution #14R-70 Re-appointing Fund Commissioner and Appointing/Reappointing Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Garden State Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.
7. A Resolution of the Township of Ewing in the County of Mercer, approving the execution of a three-year service agreement between SwiftReach Networks, Inc. and the Township of Ewing for the provision of Emergency Notification Services in the amount of \$28,485.00.
8. A Resolution authorizing the appointment of James P. McManimon as Business Administrator for the Township of Ewing.
9. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Attorney to Maeve Cannon, Esq. of Stevens & Lee.
10. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Engineer to Robert Mannix of Remington & Vernick Engineers.
11. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Public Defender to Antonio Martinez, Esq.
12. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Municipal Prosecutor to Bertha Scott, Esq.
13. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Special Tax Appeals Attorney to Harry Z. Haushalter, Esq.
14. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Conflict Engineer to Alaimo Group Consulting Engineers.
15. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Planner to Charles W. Latini, Jr. of L & G Planning, LLC.
16. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Special Litigation Attorney / Condemnation Board to Charles P. Allen, Jr., Esq.

17. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Appraisal Services to Colleen McLane Schwartz of McLane Schwartz, LLC.
18. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Appraisal Services to Pamela J. Brodowski of BRB Valuation & Consulting Services.
19. A Resolution authorizing the award of non-fair and open contracts to Peter E. Sockler, MAI and Sockler Realty Services Group, Inc., Robert P. Esposti and Post Appraisal Group, and Charles Ciolino and Garden State Appraisers & Consultants to provide Conflict Appraisal Services.
20. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Bond Counsel and Special Legal Counsel to Edward McManimon, III, Esq. and McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC.
21. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Rent Control Attorney and Special Litigation Attorney to Edwin W. Schmierer, Esq. of Mason, Griffin & Pierson, PC.
22. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for a Township Labor Negotiator to Rocky L. Peterson, Esq. of Hill Wallack.
23. A Resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Township Auditing Services to Eugene J. Elias and Warren A. Broudy of Mercadien, P.C.

Mr. Baxter moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Mr. Schroth	YES
	Ms. Wollert	YES
	President Steward	YES

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

1. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-02) A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Sarah Steward to the Planning Board as a Class III member, term expiring December 31, 2017.

Ms. Keyes-Maloney moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Schroth

ROLL CALL	Mr. Schroth	YES
	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Ms. Wollert	YES
	President Steward	YES

2. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-03) A Resolution consenting to the reappointment of members to the Redevelopment Agency. They are as follows:
 - Reappointing Patrice Coleman-Boatwright to a five-year term to expire on December 31, 2021
 - Reappointing Joseph Murphy to a five-year term to expire on December 31, 2021

Mr. Baxter moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Mr. Schroth	YES
	Ms. Wollert	YES
	President Steward	YES

3. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-04) A Resolution consenting to the reappointment of members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. They are as follows:

- Appointing Vernon Clash, filling the unexpired term of Jimmy Barnes, with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Reappointing Richard Dey to a four-year term expiring December 31, 2020
- Appointing John Maloney as 1st alternate to a two-year term expiring December 31, 2018
- Appointing Channing Conway as 2nd alternate to a two-year term expiring December 31, 2018

Mr. Schroth moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Wollert

ROLL CALL	Ms. Wollert	YES
	Mr. Schroth	YES
	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	President Steward	YES

4. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-05) A Resolution consenting to the appointment/reappointment of members to the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission: They are as follows:

- Appointing Ed Smith, filling the unexpired term of Frances Crivelli, with a term to expire on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Maryann Repko, filling the unexpired term of Carolyn Tonic-Robinson, with a term to expire on December 31, 2018
- Reappointment of Lorraine D. Hall with a term to expire on December 31, 2019
- Reappointment of Ralph Csogi with a term to expire on December 31, 2019
- Reappointment of Joseph Schmeltz with a term to expire on December 31, 2019
- Reappointment of Eleanor Updike with a term to expire on December 31, 2019
- Appointing Kathleen Wollert (Council Liaison) for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2017

Ms. Wollert moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Schroth

ROLL CALL	Mr. Schroth	YES
	Ms. Wollert	YES
	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	President Steward	YES

5. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-06) A Resolution consenting to the appointment/reappointment of members to the Recreation Advisory Board. They are as follows:

- Reappointing Michael Slack to a three-year term expiring December 31, 2019
- Reappointing Matthew Kueny to a three-year term expiring December 31, 2019
- Appointing Kevin Baxter (Council Liaison), for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2017

Mr. Schroth moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	Mr. Schroth	YES
	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Ms. Wollert	YES
	President Steward	YES

6. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-07) A Resolution consenting to the appointment/reappointment of members to the Arts Commission. They are as follows:

- Appointing Tamara Barringer, filling the unexpired term of Lisa Feldman, with a term expiring December 31, 2017
- Reappointing Melissa Antler for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2019
- Reappointing Marisa Benson for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2019
- Reappointing Jim Hendricks for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2019
- Reappointing John M. Eason for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2019

Ms. Wollert moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Baxter

ROLL CALL	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Ms. Wollert	YES
	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	Mr. Schroth	YES
	President Steward	YES

7. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-08) A Resolution consenting to the appointments of members to the Municipal Alliance Committee. They are as follows:

- Appointing Bert Steinmann with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing George Long with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Michael Nitti with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Lori Amison with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Nancy Van Saun with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Theresa Hank with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Virginia Hundley with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Rev. Fred Gerlach with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Lisette Ortiz with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Lisa Rubino with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Patty Heenan with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Lt. David LaBaw with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Denise Lugo-Fowler with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Joe Hadge with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Sharon McNellis-Kissel with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Wm. Moore Hank with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Chip Mera with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Krista Bruehl with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Becky Castelize with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Syreeta Washington with a term expiring on December 31, 2017
- Appointing Jennifer Keyes-Maloney (Council Liaison) for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2017

Mr. Baxter moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Wollert

ROLL CALL	Ms. Wollert	YES
	Mr. Baxter	YES
	Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
	Mr. Schroth	YES
	President Steward	YES

9. The Clerk read (Resolution #17R-09) A Resolution consenting to the Reappointment of individuals to the Rent Control Board. They are as follows:

- Reappointing Charles Geter with a term expiring December 31, 2018
- Reappointing Bruce Angebrannt with a term expiring December 31, 2018
- Reappointing Alberta Robinson with a term expiring December 31, 2018
- Reappointing Howard Greenberg with a term expiring December 31, 2018
- Reappointing Don Apai with a term expiring December 31, 2018

Ms. Wollert moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Schroth

ROLL CALL

Mr. Schroth	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
President Steward	YES

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRING ADVICE AND CONSENT OF COUNCIL (NO COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED) – The following were read aloud by the Clerk for the purposes of being part of the minutes.

PLANNING BOARD

1. Reappointing Bert H. Steinmann, Mayor, Class I with a term to expire December 31, 2017
2. Reappointing Richard Owen, Class IV, with a term to expire December 31, 2020
3. Reappointing Peter Boughton, Class IV, with a term to expire December 31, 2020
4. Reappointing James Walker, Class IV, with a term to expire December 31, 2020
5. Reappointing Fredricka Billups, Class IV, Alternate No. 1, with a term to expire December 31, 2018

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

1. Appointing Jeff Passe, filling a vacancy, with a term expiring December 31, 2017
2. Appointing Charles L. Maack, Alternate No. 1, filling the unexpired term of Bruce Black, with a term expiring December 31, 2018
3. Reappointing Ann Rawlings Farnham with a term expiring December 31, 2019
4. Reappointing Joseph Mark-Mirabella with a term expiring December 31, 2019
5. Reappointing Joanne MULLOWNEY with a term expiring December 31, 2019
6. Reappointing Jo Ann Povia with a term expiring December 31, 2019
7. Reappointing Dan Burke, Planning Board Representative, with a term to expire on December 31, 2017

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

1. Appointing Karen Dorio with a term to expire on December 31, 2020
2. Reappointing Kasey T. Dearden with a term to expire on December 31, 2020

SUSTAINABLE EWING GREEN TEAM

1. Appointing Garry M. Keel for a term expiring December 31, 2019
2. Reappointing Joanne MULLOWNEY for a term expiring December 31, 2019
3. Reappointing Caroline Steward for a term expiring December 31, 2019
4. Reappointing Lisa K. Feldman for a term expiring December 31, 2019
5. Reappointing Administrator James P. McManimon for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2017
6. Reappointing Tom Elder, Township Representative, for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2017
7. Appointing David Schroth (Council Liaison) for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2017

The Clerk turned the floor back to Charlie Geter who recognized the dignitaries.

RECOGNITION OF DIGNITARIES

Mr. Geter thanked everyone for being so nice and patient. He thanked all of the dignitaries for being there and said that all of us here are dignitaries. Mr. Geter introduced County Executive Brian Hughes, who works 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and is always on the go (applause). He asked that everyone hold their applause to the end and he recognized: Bob Dorio, Democratic Chair, whom he asked to join him to recognize them. He recognized Assemblyman Reed Gusciora, Assemblywoman Elizabeth Muoio, County Counsel, Art Sypek, former Councilman Joseph Murphy, Township Attorney Maeve Cannon, Mercer County Democratic Chair and Trenton City Council, Verlina Reynolds-Jackson, Marge Caldwell, visiting from the City of Trenton. Mercer County Clerk Paula Sollami-Covello, Freeholder John Cimino and his father was here earlier, Skip Cimino, Freeholder Pasquale "Pat" Colavita, Jr., Freeholder Andrew Koontz, from TCNJ President Dr. Barbara Gittenstein, Eugene Elias and Warren Broudy from Mercadien. President Steward noted that Assemblyman Benson was also here. Mr. Dorio said that Senator Shirley Turner sent her regards as she couldn't come and he also got a text message from Congresswoman Bonnie Watson-Coleman and she had to go back to Washington rather quickly today and sent her love. Mr. Geter also introduced Exexutive Director of ELSA, Bob Filler, a member of the ELSA Board, Allen Lee, School Board member Kenneth Bradley and Carl Benedetti, Jr. and Anthony Messina. Prospect Heights Chief Tom Leese and Douglas Brower, Deputy Chief, Rocky Peterson from Hill Wallack. Mr. Geter introduced Mr. Paul Sollami, former Freeholder.

Mr. Dorio invited everyone to a reception at the Mountain View Golf Course.

Mr. Geter then told a joke – A very well-to-do man was riding down one of the suburban streets in his limousine and he couldn't believe what he saw – a man and woman eating grass. He was appalled at that. He stopped his car and he said, "Oh geez sir, I gotta help you. I want you to get in my car because I want to take you home and give you a good meal". The man said, "I really appreciate that but I have my wife and two kids back there and there is another fellow and his wife with two little kids". And the limo man said, "Well, I can't stand to see you eat grass". So, they put them all in the car. The man thanked him for being so helpful. The limo man said, "That is the least I can do and I know you will enjoy yourselves because my grass is 12 inches high". (laughter)

President Steward called for:

STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Geter introduced Father Michael Hall to give the benediction.

Council President Steward asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Keyes-Maloney moved to close the meeting, seconded by Mr. Baxter.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Sarah Steward, Council President

Kim Macellaro, Municipal Clerk