

REORGANIZATION MEETING JANUARY 1, 2016

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REORGANIZATION MEETING
12:00 P.M.**

Kimberly Johnson, Municipal Clerk called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM in the Mullica Township Municipal Building, read the following statement and led the flag salute.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 231 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1975, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN BY NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, EGG HARBOR/HAMMONTON NEWS AND HAMMONTON GAZZETE ON DECEMBER 23, 2015 AND POSTED AT TOWNHALL.

INVOCATION: Reverend Robert Surace gave the invocation and noted on the passing of Former Mayor Reverend Robert Hagaman.

OATH OF OFFICE TO COMMITTEE MEMBER ELECT EDWARD HAGAMAN: Sheriff Frank X. Balles administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Hagaman.

OATH OF OFFICE TO COMMITTEE MEMBER ELECT JOHN WALTHER: Sheriff Frank X. Balles administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Walther.

ROLL CALL: Present: James Brown, Edward Hagaman, Larry Riffle, Christopher Silva, John Walther.

NOMINATIONS FOR MAYOR/ Resolution 1-2016: Ms. Johnson called for nominations for Mayor. Mr. Riffle nominated James Brown, noting he is the glue in Mullica which keeps everything together; seconded by Mr. Silva. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

OATH OF OFFICE TO MAYOR: Sheriff Frank X. Balles administered the Oath of Office to Jim Brown.

NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY MAYOR/ Resolution 2-2016: Mr. Silva nominated Larry Riffle seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

PUBLIC DICUSSION RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS: None.

Resolution 3-2016/APPOINTMENT OF SOLICITOR/: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint the Law Firm of Nehmad, Perillo & Davis; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 4-2016/ ESTABLISHING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT HEADS: Mayor Brown entertained the following: Administration, John Walther; Revenue & Finance, Jim Brown; Public Safety, Chris Silva; Public Works, Larry Riffle; Development & Housing, Ed Hagaman; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

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Resolution 5-2016 /APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR: Mayor entertained a motion to appoint Richard DeMichele, Esquire; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 6-2016 /APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ENGINEER: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint Marathon Engineering; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 7-2016 /APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AUDITOR: Mayor entertained a motion to appoint Robert Allison of Holman, Frenia, & Allison; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 8-2016 /APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL SURVEYOR: Mayor entertained a motion to appoint Mr. Ed Clay; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 9-2016/APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER: Mayor entertained a motion to appoint Jim Swift, Esquire; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 10-2016/APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint Joel Fleishman, Esquire; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes,

Resolution 11-2016/APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PLANNER: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint Lance Landgraf, PP; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 12-2016/APPOINTMENT OF NIMS COORDINATOR: Mayor entertained a motion to appoint Chief John Thompson; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 13-2016/APPOINTMENT OF RENT CONTROL HEARING OFFICER: Mayor entertained a motion to appoint John Murray; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 14-2016/APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ZONING OFFICER: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint Edward Toussaint; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 15-2016/APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL REGISTRAR: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint Kimberly Johnson; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 16-2016/Interest on Taxes: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. . RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 17-2016/Mailed notices of meetings & cost for copies: Mayor entertained a motion to approve; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 18-2016/Mileage reimbursement: Mayor entertained motion to approve mileage reimbursement; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 19-2016/ Official depositories & signatures: Mayor entertained a motion to approve; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

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Resolution 20-2016/Official newspapers: Designates the Egg Harbor and Hammonton News, Atlantic City Press and the Hammonton Gazette. Mr. Silva moved to adopt seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 21-2016/Meeting Schedule: Mayor entertained a motion to approve the meeting schedule for the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7pm; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 22-2016/ Temporary Budget: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve temporary budget; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 23-2016/ JIF & MEL FUND Commissioner: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint Dawn Stollenwerk; so moved by Mr. Walther seconded by Mr. Riffle. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 24-2016 /Appointment of Risk Management Consultant: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint J. Byrne Insurance Company; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 25-2016/Adopting Cash Management Plan: Mayor entertained a motion to adopt; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 26-2016/Assessor's Appeals 2016: Mayor entertained a motion to approve; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 27-2016/Petty Cash Fund: Mayor entertained a motion to approve; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 28-2016 /State Contract Vendors: Mayor entertained a motion to approve vendors; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution 29-2016/Mayor Appoints Emergency Management Council: Mayor Brown appointed the following: John Thompson, Steve Sperlak, Chris Silva, Jerry Critelli, Robert Cirillo, Gary Franklin, Carmen Merlino, Anthony Tomasco, Randy Ficken, Louis Critelli, Brian Zeck, Dan Wescoat, Thomas Cullen, James Scarpato and Diane Cheatham. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appointment of Claims Coordinator: Mayor Brown appointed Kimberly Johnson. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appointment of Grants Coordinator: Mayor Brown appointed Dawn Stollenwerk. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appointment of Community Events Coordinator: Mayor Brown appointed Ann Lupinetti. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appointment of Co-Community Events Coordinator: Mayor Brown appointed Kimberly Johnson. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appointment of Safety Coordinator: Mayor Brown appointed Dawn Stollenwerk. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

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Appointment of Township Physician: Mayor Brown appointed AtlantiCare. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appointment of Rehabilitation Administrator: Mayor Brown appointed Ann Lupinetti. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Nomination for Township Committee Member to Planning Board: Mayor nominated Edward Hagman as Class III Member seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Mayor appoints Planning Board Members: Mayor appointed the following: Class I Member, Jim Brown; Class II Member, Gary Franklin; Class IV Members, Frank Seney & Roger Muessig; Un-expired Class IV Member, Michael Carrigan; Alternate #1, Mary Nevius; Alternate #3, Jack Gravlin.

Economic Development Committee: Mayor stated Edward Hagaman will be on the Board as Director of Housing & Development and recommended Michael Carrigan to the three year terms. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Mayor Appoints Environmental Commission Members: Mayor appointed the following 3 year terms, Jackie Lugg and Glen Bartle. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Mayor appoints Environmental Commission Chairperson: Mayor Brown appointed Frances Paulsgraf. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Mayor appoints Affirmative Action members: Mayor appointed the following 3 year terms, Emanuel Respes, Cathy Werner and Tom Gaddis and Committee Member John Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Mayor appoints Senior Citizen Advisory Committee: Mayor appointed Louise Mazetis, Cathy Werner, Adrian Thibault, Nancy Wescoat and Frances Paulsgraf. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appointment of Rent Review Board: Mayor recommended: Marie Wawrzonkiewicz, Bernard Graebener, Tom Carl, Bruce Crowe and Jeremy Kelly. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Mayor Appoints Recycling Coordinator: Mayor Brown appointed Steve Sperlak. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Appoint Clean Communities Coordinator: Mayor appointed Steve Sperlak. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Public Discussion: None.

Mayor's Address: Mayor thanked everyone for attending and for showing their interest in Mullica Township. Mayor Brown acknowledged the following in attendance: Freeholder Jim Bertino, Judge Goloff, Chairman Davis, Committeeman Joe Giraldo (Hammonton), Councilwoman Rosalie Baker (Buena), Committeeman Ben Pagano (Folsom), Pastor Bob Surace, Chief Thompson, Sergeant Silva, Chief Franklin and Sherriff Balles. Mayor Brown thanked Sherriff Balles for his assistance to Mullica. Mayor Brown thanked the Mullica employees, Mullica Police Department, and acknowledged Clerk Johnson and Deputy Clerk Lupinetti. Mayor Brown stated over the last five years we have been financially challenged but have managed to not cut any services and keep the tax rate in line. He stated this year will also be a challenge financially and requested Committee's support for County Dispatch. Mayor Brown thanked his family and his wife of 54 years for her love, support and encouragement.

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Freeholder Bertino congratulated the new Committee Members, commended the strong leadership in Mullica and offered the County's assistance and support to Mullica.

Councilman Pagano congratulated the newly elected members, stated it was a privilege to be here today and was proud to be a Republican.

Mayor Brown on behalf of Committee wished everyone a Happy New Year. Mayor Brown entertained a motion to adjourn; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Johnson, Municipal Clerk