

**ROBBINSVILLE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**  
**Annual Reorganization Meeting**  
**January 9, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The annual reorganization meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville was called to order by Municipal Clerk, Michele Seigfried on January 9, 2014 at 6:45 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Robbinsville, NJ.

Ms. Seigfried welcomed everyone to the meeting.

ROLL CALL

The call of roll showed the following to be present: Township Council Members Boyne and Witt, and Council Members-Elect: Calcagno and McGowan. Council Member Ciaccio was absent. Also present were: Mayor-Elect Fried, Attorney Roselli, Administrator Tozzi, Human Resource Generalist Huddleston, Chief Financial Officer Bauer, Township Engineer McGough, Police Chief Masseroni, Public Information Office Nalbone and Clerk Seigfried.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

The Municipal Clerk read the following statement: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, specifying the time and place, with such notices being sent to the Times of Trenton, the Messenger Press and the Trentonian and being posted on the Municipal Building Public Notice Bulletin Board.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Seigfried led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

Ms. Seigfried read the following statement:

I certify that at the Municipal Election on November 5, 2013 that Dave Fried was elected as Mayor of the Township of Robbinsville and that Vince Calcagno and Sheree S. McGowan were elected to the Robbinsville Township Council. Each was elected for a four-year term by receiving a majority of the votes cast.

OATH OF OFFICE - MAYOR

The Honorable Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Fried then said a few words.

Mayor Fried thanked the Lt. Governor for coming. He said it is a privilege to be Mayor and a privilege to serve. He said he is passionate about it. He said they lowered taxes this year, in no small part by bringing in Amazon.com. He said we were also able to lower debt this year and if we are able to continue to lower debt, that we will be able to continue to provide services for the Township that the residents need. He said he wants to keep our Town safe, and he thanked the Police for coming today. He said he has one of the best police forces. He thanked his staff, including Ms. Tozzi, Mr. Roselli, Ms. Bauer, Mr. Colarocco and Chief Masseroni. He thanked his wife, saying she is the rock that he leans on. He thanked the residents of Robbinsville, saying it has been a pleasure and an honor to serve them.

Ms. Seigfried called for a recess at 6:55 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

#### OATH OF OFFICES – TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Mayor Fried administered the Oath of Office to Councilman Calcagno.

Mr. Calcagno said the oath is so clear and so obvious as to what we need to do as an elected official that it is very sad when you see too many examples in our State fail to remember their oath. He thanked everyone and said that he enjoys serving in this capacity for the Township and he looks forward to doing so for the next four years.

The Honorable Senator Diane Allen administered the Oath of Office to Councilwoman McGowan and said a few words.

Ms. McGowan thanked Senator Allen for being here tonight, and she thanked the Township for having faith in her in being reelected along with Mr. Calcagno to Council. She thanked her family and said she was proud that her son and husband were there for her. She said in her second term, she plans to continue to work for the betterment of the community and the Township at large.

#### NOMINATION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Ms. Seigfried asked for a nomination for Council President for a one-year term.

Mr. Calcagno offered a motion to nominate Ms. McGowan as Council President for a term of one year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boyne.

#### ROLL CALL:

AYES:	Boyne, Calcagno, Witt
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	McGowan

ABSENT: Ciaccio

There being three (3) ayes, no nays, and one (1) abstention, Ms. McGowan was elected Council President for a term of one year.

Ms. Seigfried congratulated Ms. McGowan.

The Honorable Senator Diane Allen administered the Oath of Office to Council President McGowan.

Ms. McGowan assumed the Chair of the meeting.

#### RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Ms. McGowan recognized guests in attendance, including Senator Diane Allen, Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo, two of the Mercer County Freeholders, family, friends, and residents of the Town. She thanked everyone for being here.

#### NOMINATION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

Ms. McGowan asked for a nomination for Council Vice President for a one-year term.

Mr. Witt offered a motion to nominate Mr. Calcagno as Council Vice President for a term of one year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boyne.

#### ROLL CALL:

AYES: Boyne, McGowan, Witt  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: Calcagno  
ABSENT: Ciaccio

There being three (3) ayes, no nays, and one (1) abstention, Mr. Calcagno was elected Council Vice President for a term of one year.

The Honorable Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Calcagno.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There being no one from the public wishing to speak, Mr. Witt offered a motion to close the public participation portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Calcagno.

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, the public participation portion of the meeting was declared closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were approved as the consent agenda:

- Resolution 2014-2      Establishing 2014 Meeting Schedule
- Resolution 2014-3      Designating Official Newspapers
- Resolution 2014-4      Authorizing Depositories and Signatories for Township Funds
- Resolution 2014-5      Authorizing CFO to Invest Idle Funds
- Resolution 2014-6      Authorizing CFO to Pay Required Bills Prior to Approval of Monthly Bill List
- Resolution 2014-7      Authorizing Tax Collector to Process Cancellation of Property Tax Delinquencies of Less than \$10.00
- Resolution 2014-8      Authorizing Tax Collector and CFO to Cancel Sewer Fee Balances of Less Than \$5.00
- Resolution 2014-9      Authorizing Tax Assessor to File Tax Appeals and Rollbacks
- Resolution 2014-10     Interest Charge for Delinquent Taxes
- Resolution 2014-11     Interest Charge for Delinquent Sewer Charges
- Resolution 2014-12     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment of Business Administrator
- Resolution 2014-13     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment of Township Engineer/ Director of Community Development
- Resolution 2014-14     Authorizing the Business Administrator/Purchasing Agent to Execute Contracts up to \$17,500
- Resolution 2014-15     Appointing JIF Fund Commissioner and Alternate
- Resolution 2014-16     Appointing Public Agency Compliance Officer
- Resolution 2014-18     Appointing Class III Planning Board Member (Council Person)
- Resolution 2014-19     Appointing Zoning Board Members
- Resolution 2014-20     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment on Citizen’s Energy Conservation Advisory Comm.
- Resolution 2014-21     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment on Economic Development Advisory Committee
- Resolution 2014-12     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment on Library Advisory Committee
- Resolution 2014-23     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment on Municipal Alliance Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
- Resolution 2014-24     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment on Open Space Advisory Committee
- Resolution 2014-25     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment on Recreation Advisory Committee
- Resolution 2014-26     Consenting to Mayor’s Appointment on Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- Resolution 2014-27     Professional Services Agreement (RFP) – Township Auditor
- Resolution 2014-28     Professional Services Agreement – Prosecutor, Christopher Koutsouris
- Resolution 2014-29     Professional Services Agreement – Township Attorney, Mark Roselli
- Resolution 2014-30     Professional Services Agreement – Labor Attorney, Apruzzese, et. al.

Mr. Witt offered the above resolutions and moved their adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Calcagno.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Boyne, Calcagno, McGowan, Witt  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Ciaccio

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, the resolutions were declared adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2014-17 Appointing Council Liaisons to Boards/Committees

The above resolution was held until a later date.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Current	3-014-01	\$ 2,334,302.53
Sewer	3-07, 4-07	8,635.52
Sewer Capital	C-08	0.00
Capital	C-04	0.00
Grant	G-02	3,861.97
Inspections	I-21	0.00
Plan Review	R-20	0.00
Performance	P-22	0.00
Maintenance	M-23	0.00
Other Trust	T-12	0.00
Revolving Loan	T-14	0.00
Animal Control	T-15	0.00
Payroll	T-16	0.00
Recreation Trust	T-18	0.00
Total all funds		<u>\$ 2,346,800.02</u>

Mr. Boyne offered a motion that all bills found in order and correct be approved for payment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Calcagno.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Boyne, Calcagno, McGowan, Witt  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Ciaccio

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, the bills were declared approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mr. Calcagno thanked Mr. Witt for his service as Council President during the past year and a half. He said he did a great job and he is impressed. He said he appreciated being able to come

prepared to the meetings because of his summaries and the way he effectively ran the meetings. He said it is not an easy job.

Mr. Boyne said he seconded that sentiment as well. He said he found Mr. Witt to be a fantastic Council President, extremely professional in his duties as President and as a businessman.

Ms. McGowan said she wanted to say the same thing. She said Mr. Witt is a tough act to follow, that he set the bar high, and she hopes to live up to it.

Mr. Witt thanked everyone.

## SECOND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

There being no one from the public wishing to speak, Mr. Boyne offered a motion to close the public participation portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Calcagno.

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, the public participation portion of the meeting was declared closed.

Ms. McGowan said that anyone who was appointed to the boards or committees and needs to be sworn in, they should see Ms. Seigfried after the meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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Sheree S. McGowan, Council President

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Michele Seigfried, Municipal Clerk