

FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP REORGANIZATION MINUTES

JANUARY 6, 2017
6:30 P.M.

At 6:00 p.m. the Township Committee met in the Municipal Building to review the agenda for the 2017 Reorganization Meeting.

Mayor McMorrow read the following statement:

“In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c. 231 P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced on November 14, 2016 by posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building reserved for that purpose; by mailing such notice to the offices of the official newspapers of the Township and by filing such notice with the Township Clerk.”

Mayor McMorrow gave out assignments for the meeting.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 6:30 P.M. Mayor McMorrow called the Reorganization Meeting to order.

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mayor McMorrow re-read the following statement:

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MOMENT OF SILENCE/SALUTE TO FLAG

Mayor McMorrow asked for a salute to the flag and a moment of silence.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

Mr. Ammiano nominated Peter Valesi to serve as Temporary Chairman, seconded by Mr. Cook.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor McMorrow

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

Temporary Chairman Valesi asked for a roll call.

ROLL CALL

On roll call the following Township Committee members were present:

Committeeman Anthony J. Ammiano, Committeeman Thomas L. Cook, Committeeman Lester A. Preston, Jr, Committeewoman Barbara J. McMorrow, Committeeman David M. Salkin

Absent: None

Also present: Robert Munoz, Township Attorney, Peter Valesi, Township Administrator, Theresa Patino, Deputy Township Clerk and Teresa Warner, Township Clerk.

Chairman Valesi called for the Oath of Office to be administered to Committeewoman Barbara J. McMorrow for her reelection at the last General Election to a three year term on the Township Committee

State Senator Jennifer Beck administered the Oath of Office to Committeewoman McMorrow.

ELECTION OF MAYOR

Chairman Valesi called for nominations to fill the Office of Mayor for 2017.

Mr. Salkin nominated Committeeman Preston to serve as mayor of Freehold Township in 2017, seconded by Mr. Ammiano. There were no other nominations.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mr. Preston

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO MAYOR

Township Clerk, Teresa Warner, administered the oath of office to Mayor Preston.

At this time, Mayor Preston welcomed many of the dignitaries that were attending the meeting, Senator Beck, Assemblyman Houghtling, Assemblywoman Downey, Mayor Higgins, Freehold Borough Council members, Board of Education members, and various other members of boards and commissions and officials.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Mayor Preston called for nominations to fill the Office of Deputy Mayor for 2017.

Mr. Cook nominated Mr. Salkin to serve as deputy mayor in 2017, seconded by Mr. Ammiano. There were no other nominations.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO DEPUTY MAYOR

State Senator Jennifer Beck administered the oath of office to Deputy Mayor Salkin.

R-17-1 REAPPOINTING ANTHONY J. VECCHIO AS MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

Mrs. McMorrow read Resolution R-17-1 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

R-17-2 APPOINTING ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS

Mr. Ammiano read Resolution R-17-2 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

R-17-3 REAPPOINTING RICHARD SCIRIA AS MUNICIPAL COURT PUBLIC DEFENDER

Mr. Salkin read Resolution R-17-3 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

R-17-4 REAPPOINTING CATHERINE M. CAMPBELL AND MARY D. TUFANO AS QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENTS

Mr. Cook read Resolution R-17-4 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Ammiano.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

R-17-5 AUTHORIZING 2017 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS

Mr. Ammiano read Resolution R-17-5 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

Upon a motion by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Ammiano, the following appointments are made for 2017:

DAVID M. SALKIN	- POLICE COMMISSIONER
THERESA PATINO	- DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK
MARGARET JAHN	- DOG REGISTRAR
PAUL VITALE	- ADA COMPLIANCE OFFICER

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

Upon a motion by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mrs. McMorrow, the following authorizations are made for 2017:

* **DAVID M. SALKIN** – TO SIGN CHECKS IN THE ABSENCE OR DISABILITY OF THE MAYOR

* **PETER R. VALES**I – TO SIGN CHECKS IN THE ABSENCE OR DISABILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP TREASURER

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

FOR THE RECORD: ALL ONE YEAR TERMS WILL EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2017. ALL TWO, THREE, FOUR, AND FIVE YEAR TERMS WILL EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31 OF SUBSEQUENT YEARS.

Mayor Preston announced the following appointments/reappointments:

A. **PLANNING BOARD**

- * THOMAS L. COOK – NEW APPOINTMENT - CLASS I MEMBER/MAYOR’S DESIGNEE – 1 YEAR TERM
- * PATRICK COBURN - REAPPOINTMENT – CLASS IV MEMBER – 4 YEAR TERM
- * APRYL KURTZ – REAPPOINTMENT – ALTERNATE 2 – 2 YEAR TERM

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mrs. McMorrow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Salkin for the following appointments:

- * LESTER A. PRESTON, JR. – NEW APPOINTMENT – CLASS I MEMBER/MAYOR – 1 YEAR TERM
- * ANTHONY J. AMMIANO – NEW APPOINTMENT - CLASS III MEMBER/TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER – 1 YEAR TERM

Mayor Preston announced the following appointments/reappointments:

B. **BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS**

- * JENNIFER PATTEN - REAPPOINTMENT – ALTERNATE 1 – 5 YEAR TERM

C. HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

- * CYNTHIA LIVINGSTON – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/VICE CHAIRMAN – 4 YEAR TERM

APPOINTMENTS BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Upon a motion by Mr. Salkin, seconded by Mr. Ammiano, the following appointments/reappointments were made:

A. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

- * THOMAS L. COOK – REAPPOINTMENT – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE LIAISON - 1 YEAR TERM
- * NEIL DICKSTEIN - REAPPOINTMENT – FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS – 2 YEAR TERM
- * JUSTIN HOLLEY - REAPPOINTMENT – CHIEF – EAST FREEHOLD FIRE COMPANY – 1 YEAR TERM
- * MARTIN MEE - REAPPOINTMENT – CENTRASTATE MEDICAL CENTER SAFETY OFFICER - 2 YEAR TERM)
- * RAYMOND PICCOLINI - REAPPOINTMENT – COORDINATOR/CHAIRMAN – 3 YEAR TERM
- * WAYNE PROCHNOW - REAPPOINTMENT – CHIEF – INDEPENDENT FIRE COMPANY – 1 YEAR TERM
- * STEVEN SCHWARTZ – REAPPOINTMENT – INVERNESS DIRECTOR OF SECURITY – 2 YEAR TERM
- * STEPHEN SOLOWEY – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER AT LARGE – 2 YEAR TERM

B. FIRE PREVENTION BOARD

- * EVAN BERMAN - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 4 YEAR TERM
- * JUSTIN HOLLEY – REAPPOINTMENT – CHIEF – EAST FREEHOLD FIRE COMPANY – 1 YEAR TERM
- * WAYNE PROCHNOW - REAPPOINTMENT – CHIEF – INDEPENDENT FIRE COMPANY – 1 YEAR TERM
- * ERNEST SCHRIEFER – REAPPOINTMENT – CHIEF OF POLICE – 1 YEAR TERM

C. CABLE T.V. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- * THOMAS L. COOK – REAPPOINTMENT – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE LIAISON – 1 YEAR TERM
- * PAUL HESSLER - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM
- * BRIJ SHARMA - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM

D. LAKE TOPANEMUS COMMISSION

- * CHRISTOPHER KEAN – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM
- * JOSEPH REILLY – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM

E. STREET NAME REVIEW COMMITTEE

- * THOMAS L. COOK – REAPPOINTMENT – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER – 1 YEAR TERM

F. SHADE TREE COMMISSION

- * GREGORY HANLEY - REAPPOINTMENT – COMMISSIONER – 5 YEAR TERM
- * LESTER A. PRESTON, JR. – REAPPOINTMENT - TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER - 1 YEAR TERM

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Preston announced the following appointments/reappoints:

A. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

- * ANTHONY J. AMMIANO – REAPPOINTMENT – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER/PLANNING BOARD MEMBER
- * BRIJ SHARMA – REAPPOINTMENT – COMMISSIONER – 3 YEAR TERM

B. MONMOUTH COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COORDINATORS COUNCIL

- * MARIE BAYERLE – REAPPOINTMENT – ALTERNATE – 1 YEAR TERM
- * PAUL HESSLER – REAPPOINTMENT – DELEGATE – 1 YEAR TERM

C. GYPSY MOTH COORDINATOR

- * THOMAS RITCHIE DESIGNATED FOR 2017

D. HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL

- * SHARON BROWN - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/MINORITIES - 3 YEAR TERM
- * TENG-TENG CHIN KLEINER - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/MINORITIES – 3 YEAR TERM
- * BARBARA J. MCMORROW – REAPPOINTMENT – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE – 1 YEAR TERM
- * REVEREND JEFF PHILHOWER – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/CHAIRMAN/CLERGY – 3 YEAR TERM
- * ANN TARNOFF – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER AT LARGE – 3 YEAR TERM

E. MAYOR'S REP. TO GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE

- * JOHN MCGEEHAN – REAPPT. – 1 YEAR TERM

APPOINTMENTS BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Upon a motion by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Salkin, the following appointments were made:

A. BOARD OF HEALTH

- * EILEEN ALLEN - REAPPOINTMENT – ALTERNATE 1 – 2 YEAR TERM
- * ROBIN LEMESEVSKI - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/CHAIRPERSON – 3 YEAR TERM
- * ALENE OPATUT - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM
- * LISA PORTH – REAPPOINTMENT – ALTERNATE 2 – 2 YEAR TERM
- * MICHELE WEISSMAN – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM

B. CLEAN COMMUNITIES ADVISORY BOARD

- * SCOTT HIGGINS – REAPPOINTMENT – COORDINATOR - 1 YEAR TERM
- * FRANK LUCIA – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/BUSINESS - 1 YEAR TERM
- * JOSEPH SALKIN – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/BUSINESS - 1 YEAR TERM
- * PETER VALESİ – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/GOVERNMENT - 1 YEAR TERM
- * ROBERT ZUPA – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/NON-PROFIT - 1 YEAR TERM

C. MANASQUAN RIVER REGIONAL SEWER AUTHORITY

- * A. RICHARD GATTO – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP – 5 YEAR TERM

D. MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE TO PREVENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMITTEE

- * BARBARA GANDOLFO - REAPPOINTMENT – CLASS IV MEMBER/TEACHER/PTA – 3 YEAR TERM
- * ERNEST SCHRIEFER – REAPPOINTMENT – CLASS II MEMBER/CHIEF OF POLICE - 3 YEAR TERM

E. TRANSPORTATION BOARD

- * JAMES MAURO - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER/VICE CHAIRMAN – 3 YEAR TERM
- * BARBARA VITALE - REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM

F. YOUTH GUIDANCE COUNCIL

- * GEORGE BAUMANN - REAPPOINTMENT – LIAISON - 3 YEAR TERM
- * EVE CARUSO – REAPPOINTMENT – MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM
- * BARBARA J. MCMORROW – REAPPOINTMENT – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER – 3 YEAR TERM

G. TOWNSHIP PHYSICIANS

- * DR. LESLIE SOJKA, MEDICAL DOCTOR - REAPPOINTED FOR 2017
- * DR. ROBERT PEDOWITZ, MEDICAL DOCTOR - REAPPOINTED FOR 2017
- * DR. MARK WHITE, PSYCHOLOGIST - REAPPOINTED FOR 2017

H. OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

- * ASBURY PARK PRESS - REDESIGNATED FOR 2017
- * NEWS TRANSCRIPT - REDESIGNATED FOR 2017

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA - Note: Matters listed under the items of "Consent Agenda" are required to conduct the day to day operations of the Township, and will be enacted by one (1) motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired of any item, that item will be considered separately

- R-17-6 REAPPOINTING MARY D. TUFANO AS PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER FOR 2017

- R-17-7 REAPPOINTING TERESA WARNER AS FUTURE ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER FOR 2017

- R-17-8 REAPPOINTING MARY D. TUFANO AS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATIVE AND PETER R. VALESI AS ALTERNATE FOR 2017

- R-17-9 APPOINTING FRANCIS BOUTOTE, FRANK KRAUSE AND CARSTON RAAB AS CLASS II SPECIAL OFFICERS FOR 2017

- R-17-10 ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR 2017

- R-17-11 AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF FREEHOLD 2017 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

- R-17-12 SETTING SALARIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2017 SALARY ORDINANCE

- R-17-13 AUTHORIZING HEALTH CARE BENEFITS BUY OUTS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 47, SUBSECTION 47-26 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FREEHOLD

- R-17-14 AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN TAX SALE CERTIFICATES DURING 2017

- R-17-15 AUTHORIZING VARIOUS ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN THROUGHOUT 2017 BY THE TAX ASSESSOR AND TAX COLLECTOR

- R-17-16 SETTING THE INTEREST RATE ON DELINQUENT TAXES

- R-17-17 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH BROWN & BROWN METRO, INC. FOR RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT SERVICES
- R-17-18 CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT WITH CERTAIN STATE CONTRACT VENDORS
- R-17-19 ESTABLISHING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING DATES FOR 2017

Mrs. McMorrow read the Consent Agenda Resolutions and moved then for adoption, seconded by Mr. Ammiano.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Preston.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENT: None

Mayor Preston read the following sub-committee assignments for 2017:

SUB-COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - 2017

LEGAL, JUSTICE, ETC.

CHAIRMAN: D. SALKIN
B. MCMORROW

Township Attorney	Domestic Violence Program
Municipal Court	Community Dispute Resolution Program
Magistrate	
Prosecutor	
Public Defender	

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION, ETC.

CHAIRMAN: A. AMMIANO
D. SALKIN

Township Administrator	Township Clerk
Tax Collector	Tax Assessor
Personnel Relations	Purchasing
Labor Relations	Insurance
Treasurer	Auditor
Computer Services	Communications
Benefits Administration	Parks and Recreation
Environmental Commission	

SOCIAL SERVICES, PUBLIC WORKS, ETC.

CHAIRMAN: T. COOK
L PRESTON

Hospital Liaison	Streets and Roads Department
Cable T.V.	Buildings and Grounds

Street Name Review Committee
Water and Sewer Services
Automotive Services

Lake Topanemus Commission
Emergency Management

LAW ENFORCEMENT, SERVICES, ACTIVITIES, ETC.

CHAIRMAN: B. MCMORROW
A. AMMIANO

Human Relations Council
Transportation Board
Board of Health
Mosquito Control
First Aid
Public Relations

Senior Citizens Center
Youth Guidance
Municipal Alliance
Police Department
Animal Control

PLANNING, ZONING, ENGINEERING, ETC.

CHAIRMAN: L. PRESTON
T. COOK

Planning Board
Engineering
Board of Adjustment
Building Inspections
Master Plan Coordinator
FRHS Liaison
FT Elementary School Liaison
Fire Bureau & Prevention

Code Enforcement
Historic Preservation Commission
Rent Control Board
Plumbing & Electrical Inspections
Technical Review Committee
Shade Tree Commission
Gypsy Moth Coordinator

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

P. Valesi
A. Ammiano
B. McMorrow
D. Salkin (Alternate)

Mayor Preston opened the meeting to the public and asked for any comments or questions. There being none, he asked for any comments from the dais.

Mrs. McMorrow said being the Mayor of Freehold Township for the past year has been an honor and a privilege. It has been a responsibility to be an elected official, one that none of us on this dais take lightly. She thanked the members of the governing body for their dedication and support. She thanked Mr. Munoz and Mr. Davison for all their advice and help. She also thanked the family of the governing body, our employees and our volunteers because there is a large time commitment that often sacrifices family time. Lastly she thanked her husband, Patrick for his support. She congratulated Mayor Preston and said he will soon make his mark as Freehold Township's newest mayor.

Mr. Valesi thanked the Township employees and this Township Committee for making it a pleasure to work here.

Mr. Ammiano congratulated Mayor Preston and wished a successful year as mayor. He thanked Mrs. McMorrow for her fabulous job this last year. He thanked his colleagues and the employees of the Township. He thanked Mr. Munoz and Mr. Davison and Mr. Valesi for all their help during the year. He also thanked his wife for her support. He wished everyone a happy and healthy 2017.

Mr. Salkin said we take great pride in our Police Department. They are very professional and we are proud of them. He thanked the residents of Freehold Township. When there is a problem or issue we try to fix it if we can. They make our jobs a pleasurable

experience. He thanked his family for their support. He thanked the employees of Freehold Township and said it will be an honor to serve as Deputy Mayor.

Mr. Cook said this was his fifth Reorganization meeting and he was honored to work with this committee. He said they are genuine colleagues and friends. He stated he was very proud of our community and all our local charities, especially Foodstock. They had a fundraiser here outside the Municipal Building and with over 1,000 people and collected over 50,000 lbs. of food. He thanked all the volunteers that helped with the event. He congratulated Mrs. McMorrow and said he was proud to work with her last year. He thanked the Township employees and especially thanked the Police Department for all their efforts to keep us safe. He congratulated Mayor Preston and said he was certain he will provide exceptional services to the Township. He lastly thanked his family for their support.

Mayor Preston offered his congratulations to Mrs. McMorrow on her reelection to Township Committee and to recognize her service this past year as Mayor. He congratulated new Deputy Mayor Salkin and the members of the governing body for the continued support and their vote of confidence in selecting him as Mayor. He thanked Mr. Valesi, all the Township employees, professional and volunteers who work so hard on our behalf. He thanked his family for their continued support and love.

He reviewed all the wonderful things that the Township has recognized over the past year, such as sports teams, Bows of Hope, Eagle and Silver Star scouts, Veterans, 75th Anniversary of the First Aid, and life- saving certificates. He said we also did experience our share of sorrow in the passing of two long time pillars of our community, Tom Antus and Gordon Prochnow. He said Mr. Antus served the town for almost 40 years and Mr. Prochnow served the town for almost 50 years. He said their impact on our community is immeasurable and will be felt for many years to come. He said our community is made up by collective efforts of all of our citizens and for that we are truly grateful.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Teresa Warner, Township Clerk