

ABERDEEN TOWNSHIP COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING

The Reorganization Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Aberdeen in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey was held on Saturday, January 4, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building at One Aberdeen Square and was called to order by Township Manager, Holly Reycraft.

Holly Reycraft stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and that notice of same has been posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and was published in the appropriate newspapers.

A Moment of Silence was offered by Holly Reycraft, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

OATHS OF OFFICE

Holly Reycraft called upon the Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. to administer the Oaths of Office.

The Oath of Office was administered to Fred Tagliarini, Mayor of the Township of Aberdeen, to serve a four year term, said term to expire on December 31, 2017.

The Oath of Office was administered to Margaret Montone, Councilmember-at-Large of the Township of Aberdeen, to serve a four year term, said term to expire on December 31, 2017.

The Oath of Office was administered to Joseph Martucci, Councilmember-at-Large of the Township of Aberdeen, to serve a four year term, said term to expire on December 31, 2017.

There was a round of applause for the Council members, who then took their seats on the dais.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Harvey Brenner
Gregory Cannon
Concetta Kelley
Joseph Martucci
Margaret Montone
Robert Swindle
Fred Tagliarini

Congressman Pallone, Jr. congratulated the Mayor and Council members who were just sworn in today and all the elected body members. Congressman Pallone spoke of Aberdeen as the town that the Mayor and Council really care about the residents.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Mayor Tagliarini made a motion to nominate Margaret Montone for Deputy Mayor.
Seconded by Councilman Brenner.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Brenner, Cannon, Kelley, Martucci, Swindle and Mayor Tagliarini

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilwoman Montone

There was a round of applause for Deputy Mayor Montone.

Mayor Tagliarini stated Happy New Year and good afternoon and welcome to our Reorganization Meeting. Mayor Tagliarini thanks Congressman Pallone for coming today, stating it was an honor to have him administer the Oath of Office.

Senior Pastor Eddie Aikens came forward and gave a blessing.

Mayor Tagliarini stated today he would like to acknowledge the career of a very special individual, James Lauro. Jimmy is ending over 4 decades of service to Aberdeen. Aberdeen is a better place because of him. Mayor Tagliarini thanked Jimmy for everything.

Mayor Tagliarini thanked the residents of Aberdeen for their support and trust as they take their seats today. All of the Council take these positions and oath of office seriously to provide the best quality of life and service for our residents of our great town. Mayor Tagliarini listed the projects the Council has been working on and the council committees. The success this council has achieved is the result of a bi-partisan approach in governing Aberdeen. This council is proud of all our employees who day in and day out provide services to over 18,000 Aberdeen residents. It is an honor and privilege to be serving on this Council with dedicated men and women. We all stand ready and willing to serve our community.

PRESENTATION: CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Mayor Tagliarini asked Patrick Egan to come forward and presented Mr. Egan with a plaque as our 2013 Citizen of the Year. Mayor Tagliarini stated Patrick Egan has dedicated approximately 16 years to the Aberdeen Matawan Babe Ruth League.

Councilman Cannon stated we are presenting the 2013 Citizen of the Year to Pat today. But it is not about this year, it is about the last 16 years that Pat has dedicated to the town and the children. This is what makes this town run. Police aren't chasing our kids around town because of people of Pat who are keeping them in the gym and on the field.

There was a round of applause for Patrick Egan, 2013 Citizen of the Year.

Mr. Egan stated he is flattered and happy he can be here and really appreciate this award. Mr. Egan stated he accepts this award on behalf of all youth organizations, people that spend a lot of their free time to make this a better community.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Cannon made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 9A1 through 9A26.
Seconded by Councilman Swindle.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Brenner, Cannon, Kelley, Martucci, Swindle, Deputy Mayor Montone and Mayor Tagliarini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Consent Agenda:

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-1: BE IT RESOLVED that Daniel McCarthy, Esq. Of the firm Rogut McCarthy LLC be and is hereby appointed Township Attorney for the year 2014.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-2: BE IT RESOLVED that Steve Rogut, Esq. Of the firm Rogut McCarthy LLC be and is hereby appointed Bond Counsel for the year 2014.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-3: BE IT RESOLVED that Patrick D. Healy, Esq. of the firm Healy & Falk be and is hereby appointed Prosecutor for the year 2014.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-4: BE IT RESOLVED that Marc B. Schram Esq. be and is hereby appointed Public Defender for the year 2014.
5. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-5: BE IT RESOLVED that Thomas P. Fallon, CPA, RMA of the firm Fallon and Larsen LLP be and is hereby appointed Auditor for the year 2014.
6. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-6: BE IT RESOLVED that Marc B. Schram, Esq. be and is hereby appointed as Tax Appeals, Foreclosures and Special Counsel for the year 2014.
7. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-8: BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments are hereby made to the Aberdeen Township Planning Board.
8. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-9: BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments are hereby made to the Aberdeen Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.
9. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-10: BE IT RESOLVED that the Asbury Park Press and Home News Tribune are hereby designated as the official publications of the Township of Aberdeen for the year 2014.
10. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-11: BE IT RESOLVED that the following procedures for compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act are hereby adopted.
11. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-12: BE IT RESOLVED that the schedule of Council meetings for the year 2014 is hereby established.
12. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-13: BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is designated as the person who shall make official certificates of searches for municipal improvements.
13. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-14: BE IT RESOLVED that depositories, accounts custodian and authorized signatures are hereby designated for Township accounts.
14. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-15: BE IT RESOLVED that official depositories are hereby designated by this Rider.

15. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-16: BE IT RESOLVED that Columbia Savings Bank is designated as the depository for funds of the Municipal Court, and authorized signatures are hereby designated.
16. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-17: BE IT RESOLVED that the interest rate for delinquent taxes, assessments, municipal charges and water and sewer rents is hereby established.
17. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-18: BE IT RESOLVED that a fee of \$25 will be charged for each Redemption Certificate and a fee of \$100 will be charged for each duplicate Tax Sale Certificate.
18. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-19: BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby granted discretion for cancellation of property tax refunds or delinquent amounts of \$10.00.
19. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-20: BE IT RESOLVED that Holly Reycraft is designated as the Monmouth County Community Development Representative for Aberdeen Township and Angela Morin is designated as Alternate for the year 2014.
20. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-21: BE IT RESOLVED that recreation fees be fixed for the Township of Aberdeen recreation programs.
21. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-22: BE IT RESOLVED that Maxine Rescorl is hereby appointed Deputy Municipal Clerk for the calendar year 2014.
22. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-23: BE IT RESOLVED that Holly Reycraft is hereby authorized to execute all sewer and water utility state permit applications.
23. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-24: BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to charge \$25.00 for tax sale mailings in lieu of advertisement.
24. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-25: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby authorizes the Cash Management Plan for 2014.
25. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-26: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council hereby approves the 2014 Temporary Budget.

Ayes: Councilmember Cannon, Kelley, Martucci, Swindle, Deputy Mayor Montone and Mayor Tagliarini

Nays: Councilman Brenner

Abstain: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-3: BE IT RESOLVED that Patrick D. Healy, Esq. of the firm Healy & Falk be and is hereby appointed Prosecutor for the year 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Brenner, Cannon, Kelley, Martucci, Swindle and Mayor Tagliarini

Nays: None

Abstain: Deputy Mayor Montone

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-7: BE IT RESOLVED that DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole LLP be and is hereby appointed as Labor Attorney/Special Counsel for the year 2014.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS/CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

Freeholder Serena DiMaso thanked everyone. Mayor Tagliarini is someone to be admired and truly a representative of all the people and does what is right for everyone, as does the rest of this Council. I live in Holmdel and I know what a great town this is. I am very happy to be here today and on behalf of the Freeholders, we wish all of you a healthy and happy 2014 and we wish the Governing Body of Aberdeen the best of luck.

Deputy Mayor Montone thanked everyone for their support. She thanked her family, without their support and confidence she wouldn't be doing what she is now. Thanked her fellow Council members and the residents of Aberdeen for showing me their confidence and reelecting us.

Councilman Martucci thanked the residents of Aberdeen. He was involved in the High School for 40 years and is very fortunate to make a tremendous amount of friends, many on this Council and in this room. I thought this would be a great opportunity to give back to the town. Thanked his family and Council.

Councilman Brenner thanked the residents for their trust and faith and spoke of working as a group to bring the kind of government that the residents deserve. Making 2014/2015 successful years.

Councilman Cannon stated we are your neighbors, we are ordinary people. His message for this year is, if you see us, talk to us. If you know a problem in your neighborhood, don't be afraid to call, that is our job.

Councilman Swindle thanked the residents and congratulated the newly elected Council members.

Councilwoman Kelley thanked the residents and agreed with Councilman Cannon, talk to me, I am really happy to talk to the residents. Like Councilman Martucci, I worked in the school and felt this was my opportunity to give back to the town.

Mayor Tagliarini thanked Dan McCarthy, Township Attorney for his help and guidance. He thanked Holly Reycraft, Township Manager for everything she does for the Town. It hasn't been an easy couple of years and you walked into a firestorm but we thank you for your leadership. Mayor Tagliarini thanked Karen Ventura, the best Clerk in Monmouth County and New Jersey.

Mayor Tagliarini asked any member of the public wishing to be heard to come forward and to state their name and address. There being no one wishing to be heard, Mayor Tagliarini closed the public portion.

Councilwoman Kelley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Cannon and unanimously concurred by Council.

Fred Tagliarini, Mayor

Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk