

**Township of Washington
Gloucester County
Council Reorganization Meeting Minutes
JANUARY 3, 2018
6:00 P.M.**

Township Clerk Leo Selb, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Room Located at 523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, New Jersey. The Flag salute followed. Mr. Selb delivered the Sunshine Notice and the Safety Awareness video and cell phone notices.

Mr. Selb took a roll call vote. Councilmembers Donato, Fazzio, Longfellow, Pasqualone and Perry were present. Township Solicitor Mr. Platt, Business Administrator Mr. Gonter and Mayor Gattinelli were present.

Mr. Selb asked for a motion to nominate Council President. Mr. Fazzio made a motion to nominate Mr. Perry. Mr. Longfellow seconded. There were no other nominations. The motion carried with five (5) yes votes.

Township Clerk Leo Selb swore in Councilman Mr. Perry as Council President.

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to nominate Council Vice-President. Ms. Donato made a motion to nominate Mr. Longfellow. Mr. Fazzio seconded. There were no other nominations. The motion carried with five (5) yes votes.

Freeholder Dan Christy swore in Councilman Mr. Longfellow as Vice-President.

Mayoral Presentations

Mayor Gattinelli presented 19 Businesses in the Shop Washington Township Program with certificates who participated in the program which offers property tax rewards for the residents of Washington Township who shop at their businesses. Mayor Gattinelli stated that the program goes live on Monday, January 8th, 2018 and each household will receive a Township Calendar in the mail along with one Shop Washington Township card, if additional cards are needed, they can be located in the Municipal Building. The Shop Washington Township launch event will be Saturday, February 3, 2017 at 10 am at Republic Bank located at 401 Egg Harbor Road in Sewell, to celebrate this great program.

RESOLUTIONS

R001-2018 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MEETING DATES AND OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Mr. Fazzio motioned. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R002-2018 RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET

Mr. Longfellow motioned. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R003 -2018 RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Fazzio seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R004-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE ADVISORY BOARD OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R005-2018 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INVESTMENT OF IDLE FUNDS AND FUND TRANSFERS

Mr. Fazzio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved

R006-2018 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AMY FALASCA AS CERTIFYING OFFICER AND COLETTE BACHICH AS SUPERVISOR OF THE CERTIFYING OFFICER FOR PENSION FUNDS

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Fazzio seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R007-2018 ESTABLISHING A PETTY CASH FUND FOR 2018

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R008-2018 CHECK AUTHORIZATION PRIOR TO BILL LIST

Mr. Longfellow motioned. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R009-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING COLETTE BACHICH AS THE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R010-2018 APPROVING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AND POLICIES FOR 2018 FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R011-2018 APPOINTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to appoint **Connor Strong & Buckelew**. Ms. Donato seconded. Ms. Donato, Mr. Longfellow and Mr. Perry voted yes. Mr. Fazzio and Ms. Pasqualone voted no.

R012-2018 APPOINTING TOWNSHIP AUDITOR FOR TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to appoint **Bowman & Company, LLP**. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R013-2018 APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL FOR TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Mr. Longfellow made a motion for **Capehart & Scatchard, PA**. Mr. Perry motioned, which was unanimously approved.

R014-2018 APPOINTING LABOR COUNSEL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to appoint **Capehart & Scatchard, PA**. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R015-2018 APPOINTING SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to appoint **Jeffrey S. Surenian and Associates, LLC**. Ms. Donato motioned, which was unanimously approved.

R016-2018 APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to appoint **Triad Advisory Services, Inc**. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R017-2018 APPROVAL OF MAYORS APPOINTMENT BOOK 2018

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R018-2018 APPOINTING SLEO II'S AND SLEO I FOR 2018 FOR WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R019-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLASS III MEMBER TO THE PLANNING BOARD

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to appoint **Joe Perry**. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R020-2018 RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

Ms. Donato made a motion to appoint **Martin W. Whitcraft**. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R021-2018 AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND MUNIDEX, INC. FOR SOFTWARE

Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazzio seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R022-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Mr. Longfellow motioned to appoint **Mike Sauter term 1/1/18 to 12/31/21, Christopher Wisniewski term 1/1/18 to 12/31/21 and Rich Bennett term 1/1/18 to 12/31/19**. Mr. Fazzio seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R023-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL CONFLICT COUNSEL FOR LEGAL SERVICES

Mr. Longfellow motioned to appoint **Capehart & Scatchard, PA**. Mr. Fazzio motioned, which was unanimously approved.

R024-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Ms. Donato motioned to appoint Robin Sarlo, Public Agency Compliance Officer and Leo Selb as Alternate Public Agency Compliance Officer. Mr. Longfellow seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R025-2018 RESOLUION PERTAINING TO PUBLIC PORTIONS AT WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to amend and modify item #11 and will now read "The Mayor, Members of Council, the Mayor and Township employees reserve the right to answer questions and respond to comments". Mr. Fazzio seconded. Mr. Fazzio asked Council if they could say no to get the public involved. Council members debated back and forth and decided to amend R025-2018. All voted yes.

R026-2018 RESOLUION APPOINTING A FORECLOSURE ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Mr. Longfellow made a motion to appoint **Grace Marmero & Associates, LLP**. Ms. Donato seconded, which was unanimously approved.

R027-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Ms. Donato made a motion to appoint **Raymond DiNovi, JR**. Mr. Longfellow motioned, which was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to approve the January 3, 2018 bill list. Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to approve the December 27, 2017 meeting minutes. Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilmembers has nothing to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Fazio brought up public participation. Mr. Perry stated that this would be discussed at a later meeting.

REPORTS

Ms. Donato-had nothing to report at this time. **Mr. Fazio**-had nothing to report at this time. **Mr. Longfellow**- Wished everyone a Happy New Year and is looking forward to working with everyone this year. **Ms. Pasqualone**-had nothing to report at this time. **Mr. Perry**- had nothing to report at this time. **Mayor Gattinelli**- reports that there is a lot of work going on right now and that the main priority is the infrastructure maintenance of the Township and addressing key road concerns along with planning for the future. This is a priority in the 2018 Capital budget plan. Mayor Gattinelli wished everyone a Happy New Year.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Fazio motioned to open the meeting to the public. Ms. Donato seconded. All in favor. No one from the public wished to speak. Mr. Longfellow motioned to close the meeting to the public. Mr. Perry seconded. All in favor.

ADJOURN

The next Council meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2018 at 7:00p.m. Mr. Perry motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Donato seconded. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:37p.m.