TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
GLOUCESTER COUNTY
COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
519 HURFFVILLE-CROSS KEYS ROAD, SEWELL, NJ
JANUARY 3, 2025
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER by Christine Ciallella, Township Clerk

II. NOTICES by Christine Ciallella, Township Clerk

A. This is the Reorganization meeting of the Township of Washington. In accordance with the requirements of the New Jersey Statutes regarding "Open Public Meetings", notice of this meeting was legally advertised in the Courier Post and the South Jersey Times as well as posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.
B. Fire exits are located through the double doors at the rear of the auditorium. Please silence all mobile devices.
C. This meeting is being videotaped; anyone who does not wish to be seen on television may be excused. This will be shown on Comcast Channel 9 every week; Sunday at 9:00 PM, Wednesday at 7:00 PM, Friday at 10:00 PM and Saturday at 10:00 PM and will continue until the next meeting.
D. This meeting is being live streamed on YouTube and can found at WT-TV Productions under Live or on the agenda, which is on the Township's official website.
YouTube link: https://www.youtube.com/live/STk1Z6C2P6U

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Christine Ciallella, Township Clerk

IV. NATIONAL ANTHEM sung by Antonia Brunetti

V. INTRODUCTION OF MAYOR ELECT ANTHONY DELLAPIA, Escorted by his Family

VI. SWEARING IN OF MAYOR ELECT ANTHONY DELLAPIA by the Honorable Jack Ciattarelli, Former New Jersey Assemblyman

VII. INTRODUCTION OF RE-ELECTED COUNCILMAN RICHARD BENNETT Escorted by his Family

VIII. SWEARING IN OF RE-ELECTED COUNCILMAN RICHARD BENNETT by the Honorable Jack Ciattarelli, Former New Jersey Assemblyman

IX. INTRODUCTION OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMAN JOSEPH HARRIS Escorted by his Family

X. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMAN JOSEPH HARRIS by the Honorable Jack Ciattarelli, Former New Jersey Assemblyman

XI. ROLL CALL: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brown, Mr. Harris, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Del Borrello, Mayor DellaPia

XII. NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT by Christine Ciallella, Township Clerk

XIII. SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT by the Honorable Jack Ciattarelli, Former New Jersey Assemblyman

XIV. NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT by Council President

XV. SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT by the Honorable Jack Ciattarelli, Former New Jersey Assemblyman

XVI. MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COUNCIL COMMENTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

XVII. ANNOUNCEMENT OF TOWNSHIP COUNCIL LIASIONS by Council President

XVIII. APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST

A. Approval of the Bill List for January 3, 2025

XIX. RESOLUTIONS:

A. R001-2025 RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET

B. R002-2025 RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2025

C. R003-2025 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AND POLICIES FOR THE YEAR 2025

D. R004-2025 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INVESTMENT OF IDLE FUNDS AND FUND TRANSFERS FOR THE YEAR 2025

E. R005-2025 RESOLUTION ALLOWING CHECK AUTHORIZATION PRIOR TO BILL LIST APPROVAL FOR THE YEAR 2025

F. R006-2025 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH FUND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON IN THE AMOUNT OF $500.00 FOR THE YEAR 2025

G. R007-2025 RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK GURCSIK AS CHIEF OF POLICE, DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

H. R008-2025 RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF BLANEY, DONAHUE & WEINBERG AS SOLICITOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

I. R009-2025 RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH RUSSO AS BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

J. R010-2025 RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF FRANK ALTAMURO AS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEAR

K. R011-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ANTHONY DESIMONE AS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/CONSTRUCTION CODE OFFICIAL FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS

L. R012-2025 RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF PENNONI AS THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER AND DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS

M. R013-2025 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MEETING DATES AND OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE YEAR 2025 FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

N. R014-2025 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS

O. R015-2025 RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO PUBLIC PORTIONS OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS

P. R016-2025 RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S GUIDELINES

Q. R017-2025 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING JANINE SMILEY AS CERTIFYING OFFICER AND COLETTE BACHICH AS SUPERVISOR OF THE CERTIFYING OFFICER FOR PENSION FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 2025

R. R018-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING COLETTE BACHICH AS THE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2025

S. R019-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2025

T. R020-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING COLETTE BACHICH AS QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2025

U. R021-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING TUREK CONSULTING, LLC AS THE PLANNER AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

V. R022-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING TRIAD ASSOCIATES AS THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

W. R023-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING DASTI, MCGUCKIN, MCNICHOLS, CONNORS, ANTHONY & BUCKLEY AS SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING MATTERS AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

X. R024-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE BARCLAY GROUP AS THE RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

Y. R025-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ARCHER & GREINER, PC AS BOND COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

Z. R026-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING KING, MOENCH & COLLINS, LLP AS LABOR COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

AA. R027-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING HOLSTON, MACDONALD, UZDAVINIS, MYLES & DEMARCANTONIO AS SPECIAL CONFLICT COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

BB. R028-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING PATRICK J. MADDEN, LLC AS SPECIAL CONFLICT COUNSEL FOR OPRA REQUESTS AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

CC. R029-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING DI NICOLA & DI NICOLA, LLC AS LAND USE COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

DD. R030-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING KG LAW GROUP AS PROSECUTOR AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

EE. R031-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAW OFFICES OF REX J. ROLDAN AS THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

FF. R032-2025 RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN DESIGNATED ENGINEERS AS POOL ENGINEERS FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS AND ENGINEERING MATTERS

GG. R033-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SLEO II'S AND SLEO III'S FOR A ONE YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

HH. R034-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

II. R035-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING BOARD

JJ. R036-2025 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

****MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTIONS R001-2025 TO R036-2025****

XX. OLD BUSINESS

XXI. NEW BUSINESS

XXII. REPORTS

A. MEET AND GREET WITH LIGHT REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING THIS MEETING IN CAFETERIA C

B. WISHING EVERYONE A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

XXIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Please follow the Public Decorum posted, which has also been attached to the Public agenda, and limit your comments to 5 minutes. Once you have completed your comments or questions please take a seat. The Council President will then ask if any member of the Governing Body or their Designee wishes to address your questions or comments.

XXIV. ADJOURNMENT

The Next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE



THE RULES OF CONDUCT AND DECORUM FOR COUNCIL MEETING

The Rules of Conduct and Decorum for public participation during Council meetings for addressing Township Council during public hearings on ordinances or resolutions that require public hearings or during the public portion of the Council meetings are as follows:

1. **All members attending Township Council Meetings must treat each other the Mayor, Council and Township employees with respect.**
2. **Shouting out from the audience without being recognized to speak is strictly prohibited.**
3. **No person shall, at any time, engage in any personally offensive or abusive remarks to the Mayor, Council, Township employee or any other member of the public.**
4. **No person shall engage in any express or implied speech that involves any other person's race, color, religion, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin or ethnicity.**
5. **The President of Council or Presiding Officer may restrict, limit or prohibit any speech, remarks or questions that are repetitive or not germane to any matter not within the jurisdiction of Township Council.**
6. **Persons making public comment may not yield their time to another speaker and each individual is limited to speaking once during a particular public comment period for a period of time not to exceed five (5) minutes.**
7. **The Chief of Police or such other member of the Police Department as he may designate, shall be designated as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Township Council meetings. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the Presiding Officer of the Township Council meeting for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum at the Township Council meetings and enforcing these Rules.**
8. **The Township Solicitor shall be the Parliamentarian.**
9. **Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with these Rules and Roberts Rules of Order for items not covered in these regulations.**
10. **Members of the public who make comments or ask questions that are germane to an ordinance or resolution that is under consideration or during the general public portion of the Council meeting for matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Township Council shall be allowed to do so in an uninterrupted manner unless the member is not adhering to these Rules of Conduct and Decorum.**
11. **The Mayor, Members of Council, the Mayor and Township employees reserve the right to answer questions and respond to comments.**
12. **All questions and comments shall be through the Council President or Presiding Officer unless waived.**