TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
GLOUCESTER COUNTY
COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 2, 2026
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/@WTTVProductions/streams

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

IV. ROLL CALL: Mr. Brown, Mr. Del Borrello, Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Yerkes, Mayor DellaPia, Mr. Russo

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

VI. SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

VII. EXCHANGE OF GAVEL TO COUNCIL PRESIDENT

VIII. NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT by Council President

IX. SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

X. RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolutions are by consent agenda and only require a vote for all listed. Each one must be read by title. If any member of the Council wishes to have one removed and heard separately, they need to indicate it prior to the reading of the titles.

A. R001-2026 RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET

B. R002-2026 RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2026

C. R003-2026 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AND POLICIES FOR THE YEAR 2026

D. R004-2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INVESTMENT OF IDLE FUNDS AND FUND TRANSFERS FOR THE YEAR 2026

E. R005-2026 RESOLUTION ALLOWING CHECK AUTHORIZATION PRIOR TO BILL LIST APPROVAL FOR THE YEAR 2026

F. R006-2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH FUND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON IN THE AMOUNT OF $500.00 FOR THE YEAR 2026

G. R007-2026 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MEETING DATES AND OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE YEAR 2026 FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

H. R008-2026 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS

I. R009-2026 RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO PUBLIC PORTIONS OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS

J. R010-2026 RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S GUIDELINES

K. R011-2026 RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON'S CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, EMPLOYEES, PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT COME INTO CONTACT WITH MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS

L. R012-2026 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING JANINE SMILEY AS CERTIFYING OFFICER AND COLETTE BACHICH AS SUPERVISOR OF THE CERTIFYING OFFICER FOR PENSION FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 2026

M. R013-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING COLETTE BACHICH AS THE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2026

N. R014-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2026

O. R015-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING COLETTE BACHICH AS QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2026

P. R016-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING JAMES WALKER AS COMMISSIONER FOR THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY REGIONAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND

Q. R017-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ROONEY & DONOHOE, P.C., AS THE SOLICITOR AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

R. R018-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING KING, MOENCH & COLLINS LLP AS THE LABOR ATTORNEY AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

S. R019-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING TUREK CONSULTANTS, LLC AS THE PLANNER AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

T. R020-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING BOWMAN & COMPANY, LLP AS AUDITOR AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

U. R021-2026 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

V. R022-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING DASTI, MURPHY, MCGUCKIN, PC AS COUNSEL FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING MATTERS AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

W. R023-2026 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

X. R024-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ARCHER & GREINER, P.C. AS BOND COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

Y. R025-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING HOLSTON, MACDONALD, UZDAVINIS, ZIEGLER & MYLES, P.A. AS CONFLICT COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

Z. R026-2026 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

AA. R027-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAW OFFICES OF REX J. ROLDAN, P.C. AS PUBLIC DEFENDER AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

BB. R028-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAW OFFICES OF KG LAW GROUP LLC AS THE PROSECUTOR AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

CC. R029-2026 RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN DESIGNATED ENGINEERS AS POOL ENGINEERS FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS AND ENGINEERING MATTERS

DD. R030-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SINE QUA NON RE ADVISORS, LLC AS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

EE. R031-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING INSURANCE SOLUTIONS INC. AS HEALTH INSURANCE BROKER OF RECORD AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF (1) YEAR

FF. R032-2026 RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION R266-2025, CANCELLING THE REQUEST FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR LAND USE COUNSEL AND REJECTING THE RECEIVED PROPOSALS

GG. R033-2026 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT BOOK FOR THE YEAR 2026

HH. R034-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD

II. R035-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

JJ. R036-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE RENT LEVELING BOARD FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2026

KK. R037-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

LL. R038-2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VEHICLE TOW AGENCIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

MM. R039-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SLEO II'S AND SLEO III'S FOR A ONE YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

NN. R040-2026 RESOLUTION APPOINTING CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

****MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTIONS R001-2026 TO R040-2026****

XI. APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST

A. APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST FOR JANUARY 2, 2026

XII. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 17, 2025
B. APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 17, 2025

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

XV. REPORTS

A. WISHING EVERYONE A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

B. THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JANUARY 19TH IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY.

XVI. 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.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

The Next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2026 @ 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.**