

**Township of Mount Laurel
Reorganization Council Meeting
January 7, 2019
Mount Laurel Municipal Center
7:00 P.M.**

Municipal Clerk called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance and traditional moment of silence were observed.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

The Public Announcement, which is required by the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey and read at every meeting of the Township Council was read by the Municipal Clerk.

**MUNICIPAL CLERK INTRODUCES COUNCIL PERSONS ELECT COUNCILMAN
KAREEM PRITCHETT AND STEPHEN STEGLIK**

**OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED INDIVIDUALLY TO EACH NEWLY
ELECTED COUNCILMEMBER**

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman Linda Bobo – present, Councilman Irwin Edelson – present, Councilman Kurt Folcher – present, Councilman Kareem Pritchett, Councilman Stephen Steglik, George Morris, Township Solicitor – present, Meredith Tomczyk, Township Manager/Township Clerk - present

Municipal Clerk calls for nominations for Mayor for 2019.

Councilwoman Bobo nominated Councilman Folcher, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

Municipal Clerk declares Councilman Folcher as Mayor for the year 2019. Oath of office administered.

Gravel presented to new Mayor by Municipal Clerk.

Mayor gave acceptance remarks.

Mayor calls for nominations for Deputy Mayor for 2019.

Councilman Edelson nominated Councilwoman Bobo, 2nd Councilman Folcher
Roll Call 5 yes votes

Mayor declares Councilwoman Linda Bobo as Deputy Mayor for the year 2019. Oath of office administered.

RESOLUTION #1-2019: TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2019

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #1-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #2-2019: INVESTMENT OF FUNDS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #2-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #3-2019: DEPOSITORIES OF FUNDS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #3-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #4-2019: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL,
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN
ANNUAL CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #4-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #5-2019: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX ASSESSOR OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL TO FILE APPEALS, OMITTED AND
ADDED ASSESSMENT APPEALS AND ROLLBACK COMPLAINTS WITH THE
BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #5-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #6-2019: 2018 TAX REFUNDS AND/OR APPLICATION OF
CREDITS FOR DUPLICATE PAYMENTS AND 2019 TAX REFUNDS WITH
INTEREST FOR CREDITS RESULTING FROM COUNTY TAX BOARD
ADJUSTMENTS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #6-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #7-2019: RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT TAXES OF ASSESSMENTS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #7-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #8-2019: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #8-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated George Morris with Parker McCay, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #9-2019: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP CONFLICT ATTORNEY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #9-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated Evan Crook with Capehart Scatchard, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #10-2019: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP LABOR COUNSEL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #10-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated Capehart & Scatchard, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #11-2019: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP BOND COUNSEL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #11-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated Tom Hastie with Capehart & Scatchard, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #12-2019: APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING CONSULTANT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #12-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated Remington & Vernick Engineers, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #13-2019: APPOINTMENT OF TRAFFIC ENGINEER

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #13-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated Remington & Vernick Engineers, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #14-2019: APPOINTMENT OF OPEN SPACE ENGINEER & CONSULTANT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #14-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated Richard Fini with Bach Associates., 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #15-2019: APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #15-2019: Councilman Steglik nominated Bowman & Company LLP, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #16-2019: APPOINTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT TO THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #16-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated EJA Capacity, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #17-2019: APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #17-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated Trimble & Armano, 2nd Councilman Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #18-2019: APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #18-2019: Councilman Steglik nominated Daniel M. Rosenberg & Associates, LLC, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #19-2019: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP APPRAISERS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #19-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated Sockler Realty Services Group, Carol McIlhinney, LLC, BRB Valuation & Consulting Services, Associated Appraisal Group, Inc. and Appraisal Consultants Corp., 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #20-2019: APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #20-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated NW Financial Group LLC, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #21-2019: APPOINTMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNER

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #21-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated Harbor Consultants, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #22-2019: APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANT TO ADMINISTER A RENTAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM AND A MARKET TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #22-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated Triad Associates, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #23-2019: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER(S) PLANNING BOARD

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #23-2019: Councilman Edelson nominated Mayor Kurt Folcher (Class I), Meredith Tomczyk, Manager (Class II), Councilman Kareem Pritchett (Class III), Andrew Pizzo (Class IV), and Michael Pfeiffer (Alternate II, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #24-2019: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER(S) ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #24-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated Renee Liciaga (Regular Member), Alan Kramer (Alternate #1) and Marilyn Jones (Alternate #2), 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #25-2019: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER(S) LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #25-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated Councilman Stephen Steglik (Council Representative), and Walter Stridick (Regular Member), 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #26-2019: RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE GREEN TEAM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #26-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated Ed Cohen (Regular Member), Atul Bhankharia (Regular Member), Shruti Bhankharia (Regular Member), Sandra Carleton (Regular Member), Marinna Seemuller (Regular Member), Jim Kollasch (Alternate Member) and Councilman Irwin Edelson, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #27-2019: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #27-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo to accept recommendations made by manager, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #28-2019: RESOLUTION APPOINTING FUND COMMISSIONER AND ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER TO THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #28-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #29-2019: APPOINTMENT OF A SAFETY COORDINATOR FOR 2019 FOR THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #29-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #30-2019: APPOINTMENT OF A CLAIMS COORDINATOR FOR 2019 FOR THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #30-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #31-2019: DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL AND ADDITIONAL NEWSPAPERS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #31-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #32-2019: ESTABLISHING THE REGULAR AND WORK SESSION MEETING DATES OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #32-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #33-2019: APPOINTING MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE PETER LANGE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #33-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #34-2019: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS MOUNT LAUREL
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #34-2019: Deputy Mayor Bobo nominated John
Francescone, 5 year term expiring 1/21/2024, and Dennis E. Riley, unexpired term
expiring 1/31/2021, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,244,669.05
Motion to Move: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 5 yes votes

The Township Manager read her appointments.

Municipal Manager Appointments:
Township Engineer – Richard Alaimo, Alaimo Group
Treasurer – Tara Krueger
Clean Communities Coordinator – Maureen Drinkard
Recycling Coordinator – Maureen Drinkard
Affirmative Action Officer – Ashlee Bobbie
Public Agency Compliance Officer – Ashlee Bobbie

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Bob Feldman, 3 Sumac Court – President of Homeowner's Association at Birchfield.
Congratulated two new councilmembers. Basin not draining anywhere and needs
attention ASAP. Concerned with intersection at North Lake Drive and West Daisy Lane
paving mowed down high spots which left very low spot where water is pooling. Afraid
of freezing and it is a school bus stop.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL:

Councilman Steglik – Thanked family and friends for being here tonight. Thanked State,
County and Local officials for being here tonight. Thanked Assemblywoman Carol
Murphy for being here. Ready to work twice as hard in office. Possibility for
improvement are endless. Thanked residents of Mt. Laurel.

Councilman Pritchett – Emotional thanks to Mt. Laurel residents. Open door policy and will be out in the community. Thanks for what Council have done so far. Will work with Police Chief to continue to make this town great. Thanked all elected officials who came out. Thanked friends and family for all support and volunteers for all their help. Challenge us. Ask tough questions so you get answers you need. We appreciate you all.

Councilman Edelson – Talk to us. You are our eyes and ears. Tell us everything you want us to do. Thanked everyone for coming.

Deputy Mayor Bobo – Welcomed Councilman Pritchett and Steglik. Looking forward to working together. Thanked Richard Van Noord and Dennis Riley. Looking forward to 2019. Refreshments will be served in the back of the room.

Councilman Pritchett – Small celebration at Millers. Everyone is welcome to come.

Mayor Folcher – Thanked everyone. Thanked Peter McCaffrey, Gerry Nardello, Richard Van Noord and Dennis Riley for all they have done.

Motion to Adjourn: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
All in favor

Respectfully Submitted,


Meredith Tomezyk, RMC
Township Clerk

