

**Township of Mount Laurel
Reorganization Council Meeting
January 2, 2023
Mount Laurel Court Room
1:00 P.M.**

Municipal Clerk called the meeting to order.

Welcome Mount Laurel Police and Honor Guard.

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 Councilpersons

Councilman Pritchett

Councilman Steglik

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman Karen Cohen – present, Councilwoman Fozia Janjua – present,
Councilman Nick Moustakas – present, Councilman Kareem Pritchett – present,
Councilman Stephen Steglik – present, Township Solicitor – present, Meredith Riculfy,
Township Manager/Township Clerk - present

Municipal Clerk calls for nominations for Mayor for 2023.

Councilman Pritchett nominated Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

Municipal Clerk declares Councilman Steglik as Mayor for the year 2023. Oath of office administered by Assembly Woman Murphy.

Gravel presented to new Mayor by Municipal Clerk.

Mayor calls for nominations for Deputy Mayor for 2023.

Councilman Moustakas nominated Councilwoman Janjua, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

Mayor declares Councilwoman Janjua as Deputy Mayor for the year 2023. Oath of office administered.

Mayor and Deputy Mayor gave acceptance remarks and goals for 2023.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED FOR
Police Chief Judy Lynn Schiavone
Captain William Baskay
Lieutenant Damiano DePinto
Lieutenant Eric Weil
Sergeant Garrett Shanker

RESOLUTION #1-2023: PROCLAMATION OF COMMENDATION TO CHIEF
STEPHEN RIEDENER FOR TWENTY-SIX YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE
TO THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #1-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #2-2023: PROCLAMATION OF COMMENDATION TO SERGEANT
DENNIS CHRISTIAN FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE TOWNSHIP OF
MOUNT LAUREL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #2-2023: Deputy Mayor Janjua, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #3-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY
Parker McCay

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #3-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #4-2023: APPOINTMENT OF INSURANCE BROKER
Conner Strong & Buckelew

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #4-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #5-2023: APPOINTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT
CONSULTANT TO THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT
INSURANCE FUND

Conner Strong & Buckelew

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #5-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #6-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP REDEVELOPMENT ATTORNEY

Campbell Rocco Law

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #6-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #7-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY

Marmero Law, LLC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #7-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #8-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ATTORNEY

Weiner Law Group LLP

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #8-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #9-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP BOND COUNSEL Malamut and Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #9-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #10-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR Chance & McCann

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #10-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #11-2023: APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER Rosenberg Perry & Associates, LLC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #11-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #12-2023: APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING CONSULTANT

CME Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #12-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #13-2023: APPOINTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT PLANNER

CME Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #13-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #14-2023: APPOINTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER

T & M Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #14-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #15-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TRAFFIC ENGINEER

Remington and Vernick Engineers

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #15-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #16-2023: APPOINTMENT OF OPEN SPACE ENGINEER &
CONSULTANT

Pennoni

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #16-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #17-2023: APPOINTMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNER

Harbor Consultants

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #17-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #18-2023: APPOINTMENT OF APPRAISERS SOCKLER REALTY SERVICES GROUP & BRB VALUATION & CONSULTING SERVICES, APPRAISAL CONSULTANTS CORP

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #18-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #19-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP CONFLICT ATTORNEY The Platt Law Group P.C.

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #19-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #20-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP LABOR COUNSEL Capehart Scatchard & Rainone, Coughlin, Minchello

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #20-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #21-2023: APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL ADVISOR Phoenix Advisors LLC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #21-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #22-2023: APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR Mercadien, P.C.

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #22-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #23-2023: APPOINTMENT FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES Bowman & Company LLP

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #23-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #24-2023: APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANT TO ADMINISTER A RENTAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM AND A MARKET TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

CGP&H

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #24-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #25-2023: 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 #25-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #26-2023: APPOINTMENT OF A SAFETY COORDINATOR FOR 2023 FOR THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #26-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #27-2023: APPOINTMENT OF A CLAIMS COORDINATOR FOR 2023 FOR THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #27-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #28-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE DIVERSITY & INCLUSION BOARD

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #28-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #29-2023: APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #29-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #30-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #30-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #31-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #31-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #32-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #32-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #33-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION BOARD

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #33-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #34-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #34-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #35-2023: 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 #35-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #36-2023: 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 #36-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #37-2023: RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT TAXES OF ASSESSMENTS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #37-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #38-2023: 2022 TAX REFUNDS AND/OR APPLICATION OF CREDITS FOR DUPLICATE PAYMENTS AND 2023 TAX REFUNDS WITH INTEREST FOR CREDITS RESULTING FROM COUNTY TAX BOARD JUDGMENTS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #38-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #39-2023: TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2023

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #39-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #40-2023: 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 #40-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #41-2023: 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 #41-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #42-2023: DEPOSITORIES OF FUNDS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #42-2023: Deputy Mayor Janjua, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #43-2023: INVESTMENT OF FUNDS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #43-2023: Deputy Mayor Janjua, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #44-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2023 FORD SUPER DUTY F-250 THROUGH SOURCEWELL (FORMERLY NJPA), NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #44-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #45-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A CAMERA SYSTEM THROUGH THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS)

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #45-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #46-2023: MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR COMMERCE BANK, N.A. BLOCK 1300.03, LOT 3.01, ZB#05-D-30

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #46-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,635,344.32

Motion to Move: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

The Township Manager read her appointments.

Municipal Manager Appointments:

Township Engineer – Alaimo

Treasurer – Tara Krueger

Clean Communities Coordinator – Maureen Drinkard
Recycling Coordinator – Maureen Drinkard
Affirmative Action Officer – Jarrid Satterfield
Public Agency Compliance Officer – Jarrid Satterfield

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE #1-2023: CALENDAR YEAR 2023 MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #1-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #2-2023: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 43, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 43-2 OF THE MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP CODE (“POLICE DEPARTMENT-QUALIFICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT”)

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #2-2023: Deputy Mayor Janjua, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #3-2023: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT” TO ESTABLISH MEETING PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #3-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL:

Manager Riculfy – Invited everyone to Community Center for refreshments.

Attorney – Thanked Council and looking forward to working with Council.

Councilwoman Cohen – Happy New Year. Congratulations to Mayor and Deputy Mayor and all police officers that were promoted. Thanked all police, board workers, EMS, township employees, and Manager.

Councilman Moustakas – Congratulations to new Mayor and Deputy Mayor. Congratulations to new Chief of Police. Thanked elected officials and retirees. Thanked professionals. Thanked police and EMS and Manager and her staff. Great year 2023.

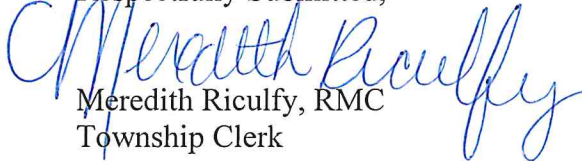
Councilman Pritchett – Congratulations to new Chief of Police and Deputy Mayor. Thanked township residents for reelecting him. Thanked family. Join us at Community Center.

Deputy Mayor Janjua – Congratulations to new Police Chief. Made history today. Thanked Stephen Riedener for his years of service. Thanked everyone for coming out. Looks forward to coming events this year.

Mayor Steglik – History making Deputy Mayor Janjua. Thanked Stephen Riedener for his years of service. Looks forward to working with new Police Chief. Thanked first responders. Thanked everyone for serving on boards. Thanked Mayor Pritchett for what he has done during his year of service. Thanked family and friends for support. Thanked everyone for coming.

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

Respectfully Submitted,


Meredith Riculfy, RMC
Township Clerk