

**ORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 4, 2021**

1. The meeting began at 6:11 pm. Borough Attorney Gregg Paster swore in councilwomen Mary Hamilton and Rebecca LaPira.
2. Opening and Welcome by Mayor: Happy New Year and welcome! She thanked all Borough Hall employees, the Police, and DPW, as well as the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps. She announced the members of the Fire Department and extended an invitation from the Department to the Council to the swearing in next Tuesday. She also announced the members of the Ambulance Corps. The usual Fire Department get together will not take place this year. She congratulated Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. LaPira and thanked the Council.

3. Mr. Carroll moved to adopt By-Laws with amendment to one meeting a month, second Mrs. Fox.

Mr. Carroll-yes
Mrs. Fox-yes
Mrs. Hamilton-yes

Mrs. LaPira-yes
Mrs. Kurys-yes

Carried.

4. Mrs. Fox moved to nominate Mr. Carroll President of the Council for the year 2021, second Mrs. Hamilton.

Mr. Carroll-yes
Mrs. Fox-yes
Mrs. Hamilton-yes

Mrs. LaPira-yes
Mrs. Kurys-yes

Carried.

5. The Borough Clerk read the following: Review of Consent Agenda Items: All items with an asterisk are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business.

Resolutions

6. Resolution adopting Robert's Rules of Order, Revised Edition as Rules of Procedure*
7. Resolution to limit public comments*

8. Resolution that minutes of previous meeting need not be read by Borough Clerk if delivered to Mayor and Council, Borough Attorney, Borough Engineer, Tax Collector and Tax Assessor*
9. Resolution designating 2021 Official Newspapers: The Record, The Herald News and The Newark Star Ledger*
10. Resolution designating The Record, Star Ledger and The Herald News to receive all meeting notices*
11. Resolution authorizing Borough Clerk to advertise and publish notices, resolutions and ordinances in the appropriate official newspaper without further Mayor and Council approval*
12. Resolution authorizing the Borough Clerk to approve the usage of the Railroad Depot limiting key access to Police Chief and designates, DPW Superintendent and Borough Clerk*
13. Resolution designating 2021 depositories: Capital One, Wells Fargo, Northern Valley-Englewood, PNC Bank, TD North Bank, JP Morgan/Chase Bank, Valley National Bank, Mariner's Bank, US Treasury, Connect One Bank and Bank of New Jersey*
14. Resolution authorizing Delinquent Tax Penalty Interest Rate of 8% on taxes of less than \$1,500 and 18% on taxes in excess of \$1,500*
15. Resolution authorizing 6 percent year-end penalty*
16. Resolution authorizing Cancellation of Tax Delinquency of less than \$10.00*
17. Resolution authorizing return check fee in the amount of \$20.00*
18. Resolution authorizing Borough Treasurer to enter into Repurchase Agreements and Certificates of Deposit for a period of time not to exceed one year*
19. Resolution approving Workplace Connection for random drug testing term to expire December 31, 2021*
20. Resolution adopting 2021 Temporary Budget in the amount of \$36,385.00*

Appointments

21. Mayor's 2021 Salaried appointments. *

Borough Clerk/Coord
Construction Secy.
Property Maintenance

Susan Crosman
Dot Haight
Joe Faulborn

DPW Supt.
Roadmen

Don Russell
Daniel Cecon
Joseph DiRese

Administrative Asst.	Martha Francis	Jason Gangi
CFO/Borough Treasurer	Philip Moore	Paul McCauley
Tax Clerk/Deputy Collector	Andrea Johe	Todd Rogers
Recycling Coordinator	Don Russell	Mike Shields
Admin/Maintenance	Owen Fox	Louis Tomasi
Board of Health/Shade Tree	Lee Campbell	

22. Appointment of GREGG PASTER as Borough Attorney for the year 2021*
23. Appointment of EDWARD ROGAN & ASSOCIATES as Tax Appeal Attorney for the year 2021*
24. Appointment of CLEARY GIACCOBE as Labor Attorney for the year 2021*
25. Appointment of MASER CONSULTING (Colliers) as Borough Engineer for the year 2021*
26. Appointment of LERCH, VINCI, HIGGINS as Borough Auditor for the year 2021*
27. Appointment of MCMANIMON AND SCOTLAND as Bond Counsel for the year 2021*
28. Appointment of BROWN & BROWN as Insurance Risk Manager for the year 2021*
29. Appointment of JIM CARROLL as the liaison to the Demarest Swim Club term to expire December 31, 2021*
30. Appointment of ALAN SILVERMAN as Fire Official term to expire December 31, 2021*
31. Appointment of SUSAN CROSMAN as Municipal Housing Liaison Officer term to expire December 31, 2021*
32. Appointment of FRANK PIAZZA as Administrative Agent for COAH term to expire December 31, 2021*
33. Appointment of SUSAN CROSMAN as Public Agency Compliance Officer term to expire December 31, 2021*
34. Appointment of DON RUSSELL as Shade Tree Advisory Member term to expire December 31, 2021*
35. Appointment of DON RUSSELL and CHRISTOPHER BIANCHI as JIF Safety Committee Member and Alternate, respectively, terms to expire December 31, 2021*

36. Appointment of ANDREA JOHE as Tax Search officer, term to expire December 31, 2021*
37. Appointment of SUSAN CROSMAN as Assessment Search officer, term to expire December 31, 2021*
38. Appointment of JIM CARROLL as ADA Coordinator, term to expire December 31, 2021*
39. Appointment of GREGORY SATHANANTHAN, ZAHID FAROOKI, STEVEN RUBIN, STEPHEN SILVER, and JAY KASHKIN as Police Surgeons, terms to expire December 31, 2021*
40. Appointment of STEPHEN COOK, CHRIS HARGRAVE, KYOUNG LEE, RYAN LOZADA, MATTHEW MAYER, DOMENIC PIZZANELLI and JOSEPH SOLAN as Special Police Officers, terms to expire December 31, 2021*
41. Appointment of FELICIA ANDRISANO, JOHN CAUDA, VALARIE DiLASCIO, RICARDO FEBRES, ROBERT FISCHER, MARTHA FRANCIS, ROGER GIRARDIN, NICHOLAS KARAYANIS, JOANN MARTIN, LUCILA MILLS, PETER NAUGHTON, SUSAN PATZOLD, ROSEJEAN PETER and JOSEPH SALAMONE as School Crossing Guards terms to expire December 31, 2021*
42. Appointment of CHRISTOPHER BIANCHI as Emergency Management Coordinator, terms to expire December 31, 2021*
43. Appointment of MICHAEL BARTELUCCI and MICHAEL KRYNICKY as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinators, terms to expire December 31, 2021*
44. Appointment of DAVID McLAIN as Zoning Board Alternate term to expire December 31, 2022*
45. Appointment of DOROTHY HAYDEN and TED DAVIS Zoning Board members, terms to expire December 31, 2024*
46. Appointment of ROBERTA HOAG and JAE HON KIM, Board of Health members, term to expire December 31, 2023*
47. Appointment of LEWIS NELSON, Board of Health alternate member no. 1, term to expire December 31, 2022*
48. Appointment of MELINDA J. IANNUZZI AND MICHAEL FOX as members of the Library Board, terms to expire December 31, 2021*
49. Appointment of JENNIFER CHOI as a member of the Library Board, term to expire December 31, 2024*

50. Resolution confirming Mayor Iannuzzi Council Committee Chairman and members for the year 2021 as follows*

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Members</u>
Police, Fire & Public Events	Jim Carroll	Bill Connelly Mary Lynne Hamilton
Ambulance & Recreation	Janice Kurys	Daryl Fox Rebecca LaPira
DPW, Public Bldgs & Public Utilities	Mary Lynne Hamilton	Jim Carroll Janice Kurys
Finance & Insurance	Bill Connelly	Daryl Fox Rebecca LaPira
Management, Adm. & Newsletter	Rebecca LaPira	Janice Kurys Bill Connelly
Real Estate & Ordinance	Daryl Fox	Jim Carroll Mary Lynne Hamilton

Mrs. Fox asked that Item 21 be pulled for a separate vote.

Mr. Carroll moved opening the meeting to the public on Consent Agenda items, second Mrs. Fox.

Mr. Carroll-yes
Mrs. Fox-yes
Mrs. Hamilton-yes

Mrs. LaPira-yes
Mrs. Kurys-yes

Carried.

Mike Clarke asked about Item 7. Mayor Iannuzzi clarified that the limit was 5 minutes per person and a second round was allowed if needed. He also asked what the 6% year-end penalty referred to, The CFO clarified that this penalty pertained to unpaid taxes over \$10,000.

Mayor Schooler asked why a resolution was passed on Item 7 if it is in the by-laws. Mr. Paster clarified that it is in the by-laws and thus redundant as a resolution. Mayor Schooler felt that this and the reduction in meetings are limiting the public's ability to participate. He would rather this resolution be voted down. Mayor Iannuzzi felt that this resolution allows everyone to speak. He asked that the committee be added to item 61. The Mayor commented that

Shade Tree will be added. Mr. Carroll moved to close the meeting to the public, second Mrs. Fox. All in favor. Carried.

Mr. Carroll moved to discuss and vote on Item 21, second Mrs. Hamilton.

Mr. Carroll-yes	Mrs. LaPira-yes
Mrs. Fox-abstain	Mrs. Kurys-yes
Mrs. Hamilton-yes	

Carried.

Mr. Carroll moved to approve Consent Agenda Items No. 6 through 50 minus 21, second Mrs. Fox.

Mr. Carroll-yes	Mrs. LaPira-yes
Mrs. Fox-yes	Mrs. Kurys-yes
Mrs. Hamilton-yes	

Carried.

The Borough Clerk read the remaining appointments:

55. Mayor to announce the appointment of ALLI DEUTSCH and LEE BARKER as members of the Recreation Commission terms to expire December 31, 2024.
56. Mayor to announce the appointment of BRIAN KEANE and MARIAN HAYDEN as members of the Planning Board, terms to expire December 31, 2024.
57. Mayor to announce the appointment of Steve Verp as Planning Board Alternate 2 member, term to expire December 31, 2022.
58. Mayor to announce the appointment of DARYL FOX as Planning Board Class III member term to expire December 31, 2021.
59. Mayor to announce the appointment of LOU PERSON and SUSANNE BRUNELL as members of the Environmental Commission, terms to expire December 31, 2023.
60. Mayor to announce the appointment of KEVIN RILEY as member of the Shade Tree Commission term to expire December 31, 2025.
61. Mayor to announce the appointment of FRANK SANTONICOLA as alternate member of the Shade Tree Commission for the unexpired term ending December 31, 2024.

Mayor to announce her Liaison Appointments:

2021 LIAISON APPOINTMENTS

Board of Education
Board of Health
Environmental Commission
Nature Center
Recreation Commission
Shade Tree Commission
Zoning Board Liaison

Bill Connelly
Mary Lynne Hamilton
Rebecca LaPira
Jim Carroll
Janice Kurys
Mary Lynne Hamilton
Daryl Fox

Mayor Iannuzzi announced that Mayor Schooler has agreed to continue his work with the Planning Board through the work with the Fricke properties. Mr. Carroll will continue his work as the senior citizen liaison.

The Clerk pointed out that Item 58 is a council appointment and has to be approved by Council. Mr. Carroll moved to approve, second Mrs. Hamilton.

Mr. Carroll-yes
Mrs. Fox-yes
Mrs. Hamilton-yes

Mrs. LaPira-yes
Mrs. Kurys-yes

Carried.

Borough Attorney Paster noted that Councilman Connelly was unable to connect virtually.

Mr. Carroll moved to open the meeting to the public, second Mrs. Fox. All in favor. Carried.
Mr. Carroll moved to close the meeting to the public, second Mrs. Fox. All in favor. Carried.

Mayor Iannuzzi thanked the Borough Clerk and Police Chief for their technical assistance.

Mr. Carroll moved to Adjourn, second Mrs. Fox. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Crosman
Borough Clerk

