

**MINUTES
WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Administrator/Clerk Jane DiBella.

Ms. DiBella welcomed everyone to the meeting and made the following statement:

The January 6, 2020 meeting of the Woolwich Township Committee is being called to order. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Those present saluted the American Flag.

New Jersey Assemblyman John J. Burzichelli administered the Oath of Public Office to Committeeman-Elect Michael Nocentino.

The Clerk performs a roll call of members present:

Frederick: PRESENT Matthias: PRESENT Marino: PRESENT
Nocentino: PRESENT Santore: PRESENT

The Clerk called for nominations for Woolwich Township Mayor for the year 2020.

Committeewoman Santore moved to nominate Vernon Marino. Committeeman Frederick seconded. There were no further nominations.

Motion was made by Committeewoman Santore and seconded by Committeeman Frederick to approve Resolution **R-2020-01 Resolution Appointing a Mayor for the Township of Woolwich for the Year 2020.**

Roll Call: Frederick: YES, Matthias: YES, Marino: ABSTAIN, Nocentino: YES, Santore: YES

The Oath of Office was administered to the Mayor by the Honorable Assemblyman John Burzichelli.

Mayor Marino took his seat.

Mayor Marino called for nomination for Deputy Mayor for the year 2020.

Committeeman Nocentino nominated Natalie Matthias. Committeeman Frederick seconded. There were no further nominations.

Motion was made by Committeeman Nocentino and seconded by Committeeman Frederick to approve Resolution **R-2020-02 Resolution Appointing a Deputy Mayor for the Township of Woolwich for the Year 2020.**

Roll Call: Frederick: YES, Matthias: YES, Marino: YES, Nocentino: YES, Santore: YES

The Oath of Office was administered to the Deputy Mayor by Gloucester County Freeholder Dr. James J. Lavender.

Motion was made by Committeewoman Santore and seconded by Deputy Mayor Matthias to approve a consent agenda for the following resolutions. All were in favor.

- R-2020-03 Resolution Making a Professional Services Appointment-Municipal Solicitor John A. Alice, Esq.**
- R-2020-04 Woolwich Township 2020 Temporary Budget NJSA 40A:4-19**
- R-2020-05 Resolution Designating Dates for Regular Meetings of the Woolwich Township Committee for the Year 2020 and Directing the Township Clerk to Provide Notice**
- R-2020-06 Resolution Making a Professional Services Appointment-Municipal Auditors Bowman and Company, Michael Welding, Designee**
- R-2020-07 Resolution Making a Professional Services Appointment-Municipal Engineer Remington and Vernick, Timothy Staszewski, PE, CME, CPWM**
- R-2020-08 Resolution Making a Professional Services Appointment-Prosecutor Holston, MacDonald, Uzdavinis, Ziegler & Myles, Marla Gaglione, Designee**
- R-2020-09 Resolution Designating Joint Municipal Court Positions in the Township of Woolwich**
- R-2020-10 Resolution Appointing Members to the Woolwich Township Joint Land Use Board**
- R-2020-11 Resolution Extending a Professional Services Appointment-Public Defender-DiNicola & DiNicola**
- R-2020-12 Resolution Making Appointments to the Parks and Recreation Committee**
- R-2020-13 Resolution Authorizing Cash Management Plan Within the Township of Woolwich and Designating Depositories for Funds of the Township of Woolwich**
- R-2020-14 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Making Appointments to Annual Positions**
- R-2020-15 Resolution Designating Newspapers Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act**
- R-2020-16 Resolution Authorizing Petty Cash Fund for Use by the Township Clerk, Construction Code Office and Police Department.**
- R-2020-17 Resolution Authorizing Change Fund for Use in the Office of the Clerk- Dog Licenses**
- R-2020-18 Resolution Fixing Interest Rate on Delinquent Taxes**
- R-2020-19 Resolution Making Committee Liaison Appointments**
- R-2020-20 Resolution Making Appointments to the Woolwich Township Green Team**
- R-2020-21 Resolution Making a Professional Appointment-Conflict Engineers Pennoni & Associates**
- R-2020-22 Resolution Appointing Fund Commissioner and Alternate Fund Commissioner to Represent the Township of Woolwich in the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund in the Year 2020**
- R-2020-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract-Labor Attorney Zeller & Wieliczko, Preferred. Barker, Gelfand, James & Sarvas, Conflict**
- R-2020-24 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract-Bond Counsel Parker McCay**
- R-2020-25 Resolution of the Township of Woolwich Appointing the Public Agency Compliance Officer for the Township of Woolwich for the Year 2020**
- R-2020-26 Resolution Making a Professional Appointment-Financial Advisor Phoenix Advisors, LLC**
- R-2020-27 Resolution Making a Professional Services Appointment-Municipal Planner/COAH Planner Remington and Vernick, Annina Hogan, P.E., R.A., LEED AP Designee**
- R-2020-28 Resolution Making a Professional Services Appointment-Special Counsel Redevelopment-Parker McCay**
- R-2019-29 Resolution Appointing Risk Management Consultant for Gloucester, Salem and Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund Hardenberg Insurance, Christopher Powell**
- R-2020-30 Resolution Making Appointments to the Woolwich Township Business Development Advisory Committee**

- R-2020-31** **Resolution Authorizing Alternate Prosecutors**
R-2020-32 **Resolution Extending a Professional Services Appointment-COAH Special Counsel-Surenian, Edwards & Nolan, LLC**
R-2020-33 **Resolution Authorizing Hiring for the Position of Joint Land Use Secretary**
R-2020-34 **Resolution Authorizing Hiring for the Position of Treasurer**

The following committee comments were given:

Committeeman Nocentino: Gave a big thank you to all the residents of the Township of Woolwich and to Honorable Assemblyman John Burzichelli. Looking forward on serving on this Committee and working with each member, knowing that there is still a lot to learn, but is ready for the journey ahead. Gave a special thank you to Deputy Mayor Matthias, Committeewoman Santore and Mayor Marino for their support and leadership on helping him get elected. Last, he thanked his family and friends for their support.

Committeeman Frederick: Congratulations to newly elected Committeeman Nocentino, noting he is looking forward to working with him the next couple of years. He noted the 2019 accomplishments that the Committee worked on together as a team and is looking forward to do the same for 2020. Thanked all the employees and the professional services that help run the Township as smooth as it does. 2019 had a lot of great work that was completed and also had a lot of great work that was planned, 2020 will see that great work planned.

Committeewoman Santore: Wished everyone a happy New Year. She is looking forward in working with the Committee to achieve the collective goals of bring sewer to the Kings Landing redevelopment corridor, with the major goal, to bring tax ratables to Woolwich. Congratulated newly elected- Committeeman Nocentino and looks forward to working with him this year. Thanked Committeeman Frederick for his hard work in his first year and looks forward to this year. Thanked Deputy Mayor Matthias for her dedication and hard work. Complimented Mayor Marino for his late hours, serving as a member on the Joint Land Use Board, responding to residents' concerns and performing marriages; looking forward to yet a another productive year. Then she thanked the employees, professionals and the first responders for all of their hard work and dedication. Last, she thanked her husband for all his support.

Deputy Mayor Matthias: Thanked everyone for coming out tonight to support the Committee. She mentioned if the Committee members had trading cards the one thing they will all have in common will be the countless hours they put in, because of the love of this community; she thanked them on their hard work. Thanked the Township employees for their dedication and hard work. Thanked the team of supporters, without them they will not be up here. Lastly, she wanted to thank her family for their support in her. She ended her speech by welcoming newly elected Committeeman Nocentino and looks forward to seeing what his rookie card will look like next year.

Mayor Marino: Welcomed everyone present and wished them a happy New Year. Serving as Mayor was one of his greatest achievements. He is very pleased by the work that was done and team work to get it done from this Committee in 2019. Again, he is very thankful for the mayoral nomination, and he is honored to represent the residents of Woolwich Township. Looks forward to working with each Committee member and staff for this coming year to continue on the path of progress. He wanted to welcome newly elected- Committeeman Nocentino and told him that he is looking forward to working with him this year. He also wanted to thank the employees for their dedication to service the residents. To the residents of Woolwich Township, he thanked them for their support in the Committee. Last, thanked his family for their continue support, especially his wife Donna.

The Committee will continue to move forward in 2020, with several projects that will be completed, for an example the completion of the walking path on High Hill Road. This working project will connect and will bring accessibility to the park system and to the Tranquility Trails. This Committee will continue to focus on development of Locke Avenue Park with additional enhancements that are currently being discussed. These discussions will bring improvement the park system for our residents to enjoy and those who visit it. In additional to the work in progress, the intersection at Route 322 has been addressed and is now open providing safer travel for our community and all those who travel on it. Also, along the Route 322 corridor is the Kings Landing project, where this Committee is committed to bring water and sewer along to bring in future businesses. Currently, in front of the Municipal Building are two projects moving forward, the assisted living facility and the new Inspira Urgent Care Imaging Center. Also, this Committee is committed into share services agreements. This past year alone, the Township went into share service agreements with Logan Township, for trash services, and with South Harrison Township, for police services, these agreements will not only bring savings to Woolwich Township, but will also bring savings to Logan Township and South Harrison Township. Again, he thank every resident for the confidence in this Committee.

Mayor Marino noted that there are some residents out in the public who may have some trash questions. This meeting is for ceremony purposes only and the next schedule public Committee meeting will be held on January 21st at 6:00 p.m.

With no further business, motion was made by Deputy Mayor Matthias, seconded by Committeeman Frederick. All were in favor to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Mignogna
Deputy Clerk

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Audio recording on file