

January 1, 2008
Keyport, New Jersey

Minutes of a Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Council, held on the above date in the Central School All Purpose Room, Broad Street, Keyport, N.J. pursuant to being called by the Mayor and Borough Council, notice on file with the Borough Clerk, forwarded to the Asbury Park Press, Courier, Independent, the Newark Star Ledger and Two River Times, and posted on the Bulletin Board in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Ch. 231

Mayor Bergen called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. and Borough Clerk read the Sunshine Law Notice.

ROLL CALL

On Roll Call the following were present: Councilmembers Hassmiller, Walling, Sheridan, Ortman, Bolte, Hill. Others present: Mayor Bergen, Mr. Wisniewski, Borough Attorney, and Borough Administrator Mr. Valesi.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING COUNCILMEMBER:

Mayor Bergen and Councilman Sheridan presented plaque to Councilman Hassmiller.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO REELECTED COUNCILMAN

COUNCILMAN GEORGE J. WALLING, Sr.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBER:

COUNCILMAN JOHN KOVACS

ROLL CALL - 2008 COUNCIL:

MAYOR ROBERT J. BERGEN
COUNCILMAN GEORGE J. WALLING, Sr.
COUNCILMAN JOSEPH E. SHERIDAN
COUNCILWOMAN CHRISTIAN BOLT
COUNCILMAN EZRA HILL
COUNCILMAN WILLIAM ORTMAN
COUNCILMAN JOHN J. KOVACS

APPOINTMENT OF CHAPLAIN TO KEYPORT CHIEF OF POLICE

INVOCATION

Invocation was made by Police Chaplain

PRESENTATION

PRESENTATIONS - Recreation Commission Holiday Lighting Awards:

Mayor introduced President of Recreation George Strang to announce this year's winners:

First Place: Mr. & Mrs. McCloskey - 15 Jackson Street
Second Place: The Belanger Family - 195 Atlantic Street
Third Place: Mr. & Mrs. Devlin - 22 Orchard Street

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Bergen announces the 2008 Fire Department Chiefs and asks that they assemble to take their Oaths of Office, to be administered by the Borough Clerk:

FIRST ASSISTANT CHIEF: David Olsen
SECOND ASSISTANT CHIEF: James McTernan
THIRD ASSISTANT CHIEF: Raymond Kilroy
CHIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT: William Vaughn

PRESENTATION OF EX-CHIEF'S BADGE:

Fire Commissioner Joseph E. Sheridan presented the Ex Chief Badge
William Larkin

FIRE DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION AWARDS

2008 FIRST AID SQUAD OFFICERS:

First Aid Officers were sworn in by the Borough Clerk

CAPTAIN: Kenneth Krohe
1ST LIEUTENANT: Mike Nevitt
2ND LIEUTENANT: Philip Santiago
3RD LIEUTENANT: Ausberto Rivera

POLICE PRESENTATIONS

Chief Mitchell said a few words regarding his department and presented the following awards:

OFFICER OF THE YEAR:

Sergeant Michael Fern

MEDAL OF HONOR:

Ptl. Kenneth Mairr
Ptl. Shannon Hyman

HONORABLE SERVICE:

Detective Sergeant Kevin Cassidy
Ptl. Robert Aumack

GRAND CORDON:

Detective Mark Hafner

DRUG BUSTER:

Ptl. Joseph Redina

ACADEMY GRADUATE:

Ptl. Gregory Johnson
Ptl. Steven Wheeler

HONORABLE DISCHARGE:

Chief Ted Gajewski
Sergeant Robert Dillon
Sergeant Steven Wheeler

CIVILIAN AWARD:

Anthony Vecchio
Rose Gibney

MAYOR'S PRESENTATIONS

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Motion to adjourn meeting for three minutes, made by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Walling with ayes by all present.

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mayor and Council appointed the following:

Resolution No. 1-08 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ATTORNEY
Wisniewski and Associates, LLC

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present.

Resolution No. 2-08 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PROSECUTOR
(held over)

Resolution No. 3-08 APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER
Raymond Raya

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 04-08 APPOINTING DONALD J. NORBUT, P.E., AS
BOROUGH ENGINEER FOR THE TERM OF THREE YEARS, JANUARY 1, 2008
TO DECEMBER 31, 2010**

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill, Sheridan
Walling

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: Kovacs

Resolution No. 05-08 APPOINTMENT OF TAX ASSESSOR
Scott Pezzaras

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Ms. Bolte with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 06-08 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH AUDITOR
Hodulik & Morrison

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 07-08 ANNUAL NOTICE

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Kovacs with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 08-08 ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT
Joseph E. Sheridan

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Hill

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill, Kovacs,
Walling

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: Sheridan

Resolution No 09-08 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES
FOR THE YEAR 2008

Police - Councilmembers: Ortman, Kovacs, Walling
Fire/First Aid/ Emergency Services - Councilmembers: Sheridan, Walling
Kovacs
Finance/Grants/Redevelopments - Councilmembers: Bolte, Sheridan,
Ortman
Buildings/Grounds and Library - Councilmembers: Kovacs, Hill, Bolte
Public Works/Recycling/Property Maintenance - Councilmembers: Walling,
Ortman, Hill
Health and Recreation - Councilmembers: Hill, Bolte, Sheridan
Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with
ayes by all present

Resolution No. 10-08 APPOINTMENT OF KEYPORT BUSINESS ALLIANCE LIAISON
Councilwoman Bolte

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with
ayes by all present

Resolution No. 11-08 OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Kovacs with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 12-08 NAMING OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR THE
BOROUGH OF KEYPORT FOR THE YEAR 2008

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Kovacs with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 13-08 APPOINTMENT OF PROVISIONAL CHIEF OF POLCE

Offered for adoption by Mr. Ortman, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 14-08 APPOINTMENT OF FIRE INSPECTORS
Harry Aumack II William Larkin
Kenneth Marr, Jr. Dean Stoppiello
Sean Donohue Paul Murphy
Robert Kyle Michael Marra

Offered for adoption by Mr. Ortman, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes
by all present

Resolution No.15-08 APPOINTMENT OF FIRE MARSHALS
James Burke Kenneth Goble Larry Stonerock
Julie Ann Csik Jay Gordon Marc Thalheimer
Nick Devincenzo Joseph Konish William Vaughn
Vito Esposito Jason Miller John Zarkivach
Robert Ferry Chuck Pflieger Thomas Gallo Jr
Pedro Santiago

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Kovacs with ayes
by all present

Resolution No.16-08 APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS
Michael Handler Frank Currier
Eugene Eng David O'such
Robert Dane Robert Dillon

Offered for adoption by Mr. Ortman, seconded by Mr. Kovacs with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 17-08 APPOINTING POLICE MATRON
Jacqueline Shipley

Offered for adoption by Mr. Kovacs, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 18-08 APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

Paul Albrecht	Thomas O'Connor	John Yard
Emily Burlew	Sonia Perno	Catherine Cobb (Substitute)
Linda Corbett	Laura Smolskis	Harry Kneute (Substitute)
Ronald Dente	Louis Spafford	
Margaret LaRosa	Laurie Vanderbeck-Kopacz	

Offered for adoption by Mr. Ortman, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by
all present

Resolution No. 19-08 APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER
Keri Stencel

Offered for adoption by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 20-08 APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIAL COLLECTOR OF
WATER & SEWER UTILITY RENTS

Keri Stencel

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with
ayes by all present

Resolution No. 21-08 APPOINTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR
Kenneth Krohe

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Kovacs with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 22-08 APPOINTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR
James Lawson

Offered for adoption by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 23-08 APPOINTMENT OF RECYCLING COORDINATOR
Robert Poling Sr.

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 24-08 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY RECYCLING COORDINATOR
Robert Poling, Jr.

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Kovacs with ayes
by all present

Resolution No. 25-08 APPOINTING MEMBERS TO RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Joseph Antonaccio
Robin Sheridan

Offered for adoption by Mr. Ortman, seconded by Mr. Walling

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill, Kovacs,
Walling,

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: Sheridan

**Resolution No. 26-08 APPOINTMENT OF MONMOUTH COUNTY COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Peter R. Valesi

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Ms. Hill with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 27-08 APPOINTMENT OF MONMOUTH COUNTY COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE**

Mayor Robert J. Bergen

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 28-08 APPOINTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBERS

Robert Ludwig
Jennifer Henning

Offered for adoption by Walling, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

Resolution 29-08 APPOINTMENT OF HARBOR COMMISSION MEMBER

Gretchen Fitzpatrick

Offered for adoption by Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 30-08 Harbor Commission Councilmembers - George Walling
and Joseph Sheridan**

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 31-08 APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBER

Kelly Strang

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 32-08 APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBER

Donna Markowitz

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 33-08 APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS

Mark Sessa
Richard Hassmiller

Offered for adoption by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 34-08 APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD COUNCILMEMBER

Councilman Kovacs

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill, Sheridan,
Walling

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: Kovacs

Resolution No. 35-08 APPOINTMENT OF RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS
Debra Triano
Beth Trahim (Alternate)

Offered for adoption by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 36-08 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PHYSICIAN
Health Point Medical

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 37-08 APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL
McManimon & Scotland

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Ms. Bolte with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 38-08 APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER
Peter Valesi

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 39-08 APPOINTMENT OF LICENSED WATER TREATMENT
PLANT OPERATOR**
James Mastrokalos

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 40-08 APPOINTMENT OF LICENSED WATERWATER COLLECTION
SYSTEM OPERATOR AND LICENSED WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPERATOR**
James Mastrokalos

Offered for adoption by Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Sheridan with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 41-08 2008 RATE OF INTEREST FOR NON-PAYMENT
OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS**

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 42-08 2008 RATE OF INTEREST FOR NON-PAYMENT OF
WATER AND SEWER CHARGES**

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 43-08 AUTHORIZING PAYROLL/EMERGENCIES FOR THE YEAR 2008

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 44-08 AUTHORIZATION FOR TAX ASSESSOR TO FILE
TAX APPEALS**

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 45-08 PURCHASING UNDER STATE CONTRACTS

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 46-08 INVESTMENT OF IDLE FUNDS

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 47-08, ADOPTION OF CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

**Resolution No. 48-08 AUTHORIZE TAX COLLECTOR TO ISSUE
DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATES**

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 49-08 2008 TEMPORARY BUDGET

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 50-08 2008 DEBT SERVICE

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 51-08 WAIVING OF INTEREST LESS THAN FIFTY (50) CENTS

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 52-08 TERMINATION OF WATER SERVICE FEE

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

Resolution No. 53-08 RESOLUTION FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mr. Ortman with ayes by all present

REMARKS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilman Kovacs - wished all a healthy, prosperous New Year, thanked all for their confidence

Councilman Sheridan - stated that this will be a good year - Waterfront redevelopment 20 years on blue print became reality. Looks phenomenal

- Recreation Commission doing a great job under the guidance of President George Strang
- Honored to be the on the Fire Commission; great group of volunteers
- Thanked family, friends and Rich Hassmiller

Councilman Hill - thanked Rich Hassmiller for his help along with other Councilmembers, Administrator, Borough Clerk and the Recreation Commission especially George Strang and Denise Nellis

Councilman Ortman - wished everyone a Happy Healthy New Year we are moving in the right direction

- tax dollars at work along waterfront
- recognized all municipal Borough workers who do the grunt work
- welcomes John Kovacs

Councilman Walling - asked everyone for a moment of silence, for Councilman Kovacs who lost his brother in-law and Councilman Hill who lost his father

Mr. Walling felt this is a well versed group. They all don't always agree but said that is what a government is all about.

Thanked all who supported him and thanked Rich Hassmiller for running with him

Councilwoman Bolte - "future depends on what we do in the present"

- police - great job in 2007
- thanked all working on the waterfront process. Waterfront has seen a much needed face lift. It is taking shape right before our eyes.
- Budget was not an easy year but we are recovering and it will continue to recover.

Ms. Bolte stated that she feels it is important to stay in the pace where she was raised. Asked all to look at website; it has never looked so good. Wished all a Happy New Year!

Mayor Bergen - thanked Rich Hassmiller for his service to the Borough, looking forward to working with him on the Planning Board.

Mayor wants all to work to make things better. Thanked Mr. Kovacs and Walling and wished them both well.

2007 was a good year, interesting completing first year as Mayor. In addition to the Waterfront we received the NPP Grant to improve the western part of town in order to make that entrance a very nice place.

This year operating under a budget cap law that will make things more difficult. Looking forward to our centennial year in 2008. We will have many events.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

17 Therese Street - Wisniewski deserves to be recognized in his roll as an assemblyman. Mayor mentioned that he serves as department speaker of NJ Assembly

John Aumack - Keyport Republican Organization presented Councilman Kovacs with a gift. "Can fix anything & reads everything"

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at PM moved by , second by with ayes by all present.

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY, HEALTHY, PROSPEROUS AND PEACEFUL 2008