

**COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018
12:00 NOON**

Mayor:	Robert A. Sabosik
Council President:	William Borowsky
Council Member:	Antoinette DePaola
Council Member:	Joseph Furmato
Council Member:	John Wisniewski
Council Member:	Pamela Snyder
Council Member:	Michael Thulen, Jr
Borough Attorney:	Christopher Dasti, Esq.
Borough Administrator:	Frank Pannucci
Borough Clerk:	Antoinette Jones

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT BY MAYOR SABOSIK: Pursuant to the applicable portions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. Notice of this meeting of the Governing Body has been posted in the corridor of the Municipal Building, published in the December 8, 2017 edition of *The Ocean Star* and communicated to *The Asbury Park Press*.

The Honorable Robert Fall performed the oath of office for Council Members Snyder and Wisniewski.

A. OFFICIAL OATH OF OFFICE

1. Pamela Snyder – Council Member – Stated the following: “I just wanted to very quickly say thank you to my family for supporting me in this. They sacrifice many nights and weekends for me so that I can perform the duties of Councilwoman. Without them, I certainly would not be able to do this every day. So thank you.”

2. John Wisniewski – Council Member – Stated the following: “I would like to thank my family and my wife hiding in the back. Also, thank you to Brian McAlindin and Mayor Sabosik for talking me into this couple hour a week job.”

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: “As Councilman Wisniewski just alluded to, it is a little bit more than just an hour a week public service. I am glad to point out today that we have some former Council people in the audience. Roger Pyrtko, Mitch Remig, and Brian McAlindin. Mayor Martin Konkus is also here in the audience. Our surrounding towns are represented here with Point Pleasant Beach Council President Bob Santinello and his boss, Point Pleasant Beach Mayor Stephen Reid. They are here to observe why Point Pleasant has such quick meetings. Also, our newly elected Assemblyman, Ned Thompson, thank you for being here today.”

**B. NOMINATION AND RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ELECTION OF COUNCIL
PRESIDENT – (001-2018)**

MOTION: Adopt Resolution

MADE: Mr. Wisniewski

SECOND: Ms. DePaola

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

The Honorable Robert Fall performed the Oath of Office swearing in William Borowsky as Council President.

C. COMMENTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Council Member Thulen stated the following “Good Afternoon everyone. Thank you for coming and joining us on this beautiful cold day. Congratulations to my fellow Councilmembers Snyder and Wisniewski. I am very happy that the people of Point Pleasant selected them to come back and continue doing a fantastic job. I also want to thank our Fire Department, our Borough Employees, our DPW and everyone who works for the town to make it a better place. Thank you for all your hard work. It makes our job a little easier up here. I hope everyone has a great rest of the year.”

Council Member Furrato stated the following: “I want to thank everyone for coming out today. Pam and John, congratulations. Bill, you will be spending a lot of your time with Mr. Mayor. He will call you every day. I also want to thank the DPW. They did a fantastic job with the roads. I know they had a tremendous job with the wind. Hat’s off to you guys. Thank you.”

Council Member DePaola stated the following: “First off I would like to extend my congratulations to Councilwoman Pam Snyder and Councilman John Wisniewski. They are both true assets to the team here in Point Pleasant Borough. We are very fortunate that the residents of Point Pleasant have re-elected them to office so that we can continue doing the good work that we have started. I would also like to congratulate my fellow Councilman Bill Borowsky for taking on the role of Council President. It is a very difficult job, a very rewarding job and a very time consuming job. But at the end of the day, he stepped up because he is the man for the job this year. I know you will do a great job. It is very well deserved.

I would like to also thank all of our Public Safety officials. Our Police, our Fire, our First Aid and our DPW crews who went out there this past week who really put their lives on the line in order to allow our tax payers to get out of their homes safely when they needed to. I also want to thank our residents for heeding the warnings of staying indoors and not going out onto the roads when they are really bad. It is a team effort. We all have to work together to get through any kind of tragedy and if Sandy has taught us anything it taught us that we need to work together and come together as a community and I believe we did that in this last storm. So, thank you to everybody who went out of their way and helped their fellow neighbors and really went above and beyond. Thank you very much.

To the Mayor and Council, I look forward to another year with you guys and thank you to our Borough employees who always go above and beyond. The Borough employees are always there for us and work with us and really go out of their way to make the Borough a great place to work and reside. Without them, we really couldn’t do what we do. We truly appreciate each and every one of you and wish you all a very happy and healthy New Year.”

Council Member Snyder stated the following: “First I want to echo everyone’s sentiments up here and congratulate my colleagues John Wisniewski and Bill Borowsky for being elected again as Council Member and Council President. I also want to thank everyone who made the effort and came out on this very sunny, bitterly cold day to attend our Reorganization Meeting.

First, I would like to extend my humble gratitude to the voters of Point Pleasant for the opportunity to serve our residents for another three years. Your show of support, trust and confidence is overwhelming. I will diligently strive to be worthy of that support as I work with the Mayor and my colleagues up here on council to continue to improve life in the Borough. Second, I would like to extend my warmest of thanks to my

colleagues up here and to all of our professionals, employees and first responders. Working with you these past few years has been a pleasure and I look forward to working with you over the next three years.

There is a wonderful book that was recently made into a movie, it is aptly called Wonder. Some of you may have heard of it. If you have not yet read this book I do highly recommend it to you. In that book, the main character Augie has a teacher who writes a monthly precept on the board. One of these precepts is from an ancient Egyptian tomb inscription that reads, “Your deeds are your monuments.” This quote is especially fitting for the people who make our Borough a community. During my tenure on Council I have witnessed our employees and residents not only come up with some fantastic ideas to improve our Borough but they have presented those ideas to Council, our Commissions and Boards and they have worked hard to implement those ideas. I am not going to name those persons or groups because undoubtedly I would inadvertently omit someone. Even if I took the next two or three hours to mention them by name. But suffice it to say, that it has been an absolute pleasure seeing people break out of their shells and I am encouraged by our youth who are enthusiastic, concerned citizens. I have also witnessed our First Aid, Fire Departments, employees, residents and businesses come together to help local families who have suffered a loss or temporary setback. We are a community of roughly 20,000 residents but above all else, we are a community whose spirit and courage is made to continue doing whatever they can to help improve life in our Borough.

During my remarks after my swearing in in 2015, I power phrased a quote from Ronald Reagan’s inaugural address. “That progress may be slow, measured in inches and feet, not by miles but we will progress. Any reluctance for conflict should not be misjudged as a failure of will. When action is required we will act.” As you look around and see our paved roads, our new sidewalks, our online recreation registration system, the improved parks and beaches, increased police presence and the addition of our K-9 Unit. You will see the tangible evidence of the hard work that my colleagues up here and the Mayor have put in these last few years. Working together as a team and with the support of our employees and professionals, I have no doubt that these improvements are just the beginning. Changes have not happened and will not happen overnight. But they are occurring and I am privileged and honored to be a catalyst in the direction that our Borough is continuing towards.

Third, I would be horribly remiss if I did not take the opportunity to thank my colleagues at my law firm for their support and understanding as I continue to serve on Council.

Fourth, Most importantly I would like to thank my family. I could not serve the Borough Residents if it wasn’t for them. They have selflessly given up their time with me for the betterment of the Borough. Each time I look at my children, I see our Borough and our world’s future and hope and I am instilled with a fervor to make our community a place where all families and all residents want to call home. And to ensure that the future that we give them is worthy of both their innocence and their optimism.

As I conclude my remarks and I suspect I went way over my time limit, I would like to leave you with words of wisdom penned by a 14 year old girl who faced atrocities most of us cannot even imagine. That girl was Anne Frank. In her diary she wrote how wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world. I therefore challenge every single person in this room to take those words to heart and to take that first step to improve themselves, their community and in turn the world.”

Council Member Wisniewski stated the following: “Thank you Mr. Mayor for making me go after that. I would like to thank the Borough residents, the Borough employees, our volunteers, my colleagues on Council for the work that we have done over the past few years, my family for putting up with randomly walking out of the house because of an emergency meeting or something we have to talk about over at Borough Hall. The hour or two a week that the Mayor and Brian McAlindin promised me years ago that really is about 30. But it has been worth it and I appreciate the support and I hope I can continue to do good work.

I want to say thank you to the DPW for the great work they have done. They did a great job. All the roads seem to be in pretty good shape considering the amount of snowfall that we got this past weekend.

Finally, I would like to say congratulations to my colleague Councilman Borowsky, or should I say Council President Borowsky. Don't let that title go to your head. A couple suggestions, make sure you provide the Mayor with a time to call because he will call every day at that prescribed time.

Also congratulations to little Bill Borowsky. I saw on twitter about the wrestling championship for the team and that is awesome.

Thank you again everybody for coming out."

Council President Borowsky stated the following: "I am a man of few words just so everybody knows. I would also like to thank everybody for coming out today. I want to say congratulations to Councilman Wisniewski and Councilwoman Snyder and all the appointments today, I look forward to working with you in 2018. I would like to say thank you to all our Borough employees. I would like to say thank you to all of our professionals, our volunteers and my colleagues up here. Everyone that makes Point Pleasant the best town in the country to live in. I am looking forward to a good 2018 and I would like to say thank you to my family. My granddaughter is here today with my daughter and my son just walked in. I have to just say one thing; you guys know I am a wrestling guy and I have been a wrestling guy for a long time. I just want to give a shout out to our high school wrestling team. They are currently ranked 5th in the Shore, it is the highest they have been in 30 years. We are ranked as high as 22nd in the State. We have 4 wrestlers that were acknowledged in some publications as the best in their weight class. It is an extremely talented team and I only mentioned this because they worked hard the past 10 years to get what they have achieved and what they are in the process of achieving and that is something that I liken to everyone up here. Thank you to all the Borough employees and volunteers who work extremely hard to make Point Pleasant such a great place to live. And I would also like to say thank you to the residents for having confidence in John, Pam and myself and our entire team up here."

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "First off I would like to thank the residents of Point Pleasant for having faith in this team of individuals protecting their investments, their homes and their families. When people move to a town, they want the town to provide services to meet all of their demands, wishes and goals. To do that is impossible. But to do the majority of that is possible. This team has met everybody's request within the best of all of our abilities. These requests create positivity in the town and brings life into a town. It takes dedication, hard work and wisdom to create a positivity culture in a town. Where stability of taxes is an importance for the long term. And at the same time creating programs for all generations including our seniors. Having respect for our town employees and letting their creativity and hard work enhance the well-being of our town.

So let's see how Point Pleasant did in the year 2017. It was voted #1 to raise a family in Ocean County. We had more events for families to enjoy and prosper and talk to neighbors during movie nights. During National Night Out, people came and had free games, free food and once again could talk and embrace the culture of Point Pleasant. It also showcased the abilities of our volunteers. Our volunteers who spend thousands of hours getting trained. Our Firemen in the back, our First Aid, OEM, our CERT Team, and our Police Department rated one of the best. Speaking of our Police Department, I am proud to announce that we have a four-legged new addition called Juno who has joined the Police Department. If you went to the beaches this summer, you saw that the chain link fences were torn down. In its place were roses, bushes, chairs and umbrellas to get everyone to come and share what a small town should be and could be. A place to gather and enjoy. Haunts in the Park in October was the best it has ever been because of our employees, DPW workers and our Recreation workers. Anybody who came to the Christmas celebration saw an increased market place with restaurants and rides. Some people said Hallmark has arrived in the town of

Point Pleasant. All of this leads to positivity in town. And this positivity goes to our Boards. Our volunteerism on Boards is at its highest level. Where inclusion, not exclusion is the order of the day. We want every voice and all types of people to come forward to make this town better. We will continue to make this town better. After 25 years we will be starting to redo Bridge Avenue, Beaver Dam Road and the business district. This will be highlighting improvements that this town has waited too long for.

As any case of rebuilding or re-awakening, our work in progress will continue to bring Point Pleasant into the 21st century. A town to live, work and enjoy.

I want also like to thank my wife because she puts up with so many busted dinners and date nights. It is amazing how much time this takes. All our employees and volunteers put love in this town. So if there is one thing I can say in closing is, Point Pleasant is a great place to live and enjoy but hold on to your hats, we have only just begun. This ride is just going to get better.”

D. FIREFIGHTERS – Oath of Office

E. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS – Oaths of Office

1. **Planning Board Robert Forsyth to Class II, Borough Official; Albert Faraldi, Class IV Member; Andy Preiser, Class IV Member; Paul Altero, Alt. #1**
2. **Open Space Advisory – Richard Morris, Dawn Wagner, Joanne Goetting, Greg Zyry, Craig Bowers, James Hoffmaster, Ed Lavan, Jack McHugh, Cortland Coleman, and Marilyn Pribish as Alt. #1 and Don Remig as Alt. #2**
3. **Environmental Commission – Chris Constantino, Chairman; Sheryl Burke, Member; Mike Romanowski, Member; Noel Novak-Schulz, Member; Laura Malta, Member; Heidi Riley, Member/Garden Club Liaison; Al Clericuzio, Associate Member/Founding Member; Al Faraldi, Member/Planning Board Liaison; Dennis Blazak, Alternate Member**

**F. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION (Resolutions, Appointments and Consent Agenda)
Five (5) Minute Limit Per Person**

Ordinance No. 530. An Ordinance to establish by-laws to govern the organization and procedures of the Borough Council for meetings and deliberations. Section 5. Public Participation. Each member of the public shall keep his or her remarks brief, pertinent to the issues being discussed and shall not exceed a time period of five (5) minutes in order to adequately provide all members of the public with the opportunity to address the Governing Body consistent with good order and efficiency.

MOTION: Open the meeting to the public

MADE: Mrs. Snyder

SECOND: Mr. Furmato

APPROVED: All in Favor

Council President Borowsky opened the meeting to the public.

Seeing no hands, Council President Borowsky closed this portion of the meeting.

Council President Borowsky asks Assemblyman Ned Thompson to come up to speak

Assemblyman Ned Thompson stated the following: “I would just like to congratulate John and Pam and also the new Council President William Borowsky. I would also like to say how happy I am to be here. This is a great town. You do a great job here. I thank you for having me and I wish everyone a very happy and healthy New Year.”

G. RESOLUTIONS

1. (002-2018) Transfer of 2017 Budget Appropriations
2. (003-2018) Temporary Operating Budget – 2018
3. (004-2018) Bills and Claims - 2017
4. (005-2018) Bills and Claims - 2018

The bills totaling the amount of \$6,702,690.25 are to be paid as presented. The bills and claims list is on file in the Clerk’s Office and can be reviewed Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and on Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

MOTION: Adopt Resolutions

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: *Abstain/Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

*Councilwoman Snyder Abstained from Resolutions pertaining to Bathgate Wegener and Wolf and voted Yes to all others.

H. RESOLUTIONS CONFIRMING ALL APPOINTMENTS TO POSITIONS – Oaths of Office

1. (006-2018) Appointment of Municipal Attorney –Christopher J. Dasti, of the firm of Dasti, Murphy, Ulaky, Koutsouris & Connors-COF #2018-100
2. (007-2018) Appointment of Municipal Auditor – Robert Allison, of the firm of Holman, Frenia & Allison, P.C.-COF #2018-101
3. (008-2018) Appointment of Municipal Engineer – John LeCompte, of the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers-COF #2018-102
4. (009-2018) Appointment of Municipal Prosecutor – Victoria Veni and Alternate Prosecutor – Brian W. McAlindin, of the firm of Bathgate, Wegener & Wolf, P.C.-COF #2018-103
5. (010-2018) Appointment of Public Defender – Michael D. Schaller, of the firm of King Kitrick Jackson & McWeeney, LLC-COF #2018-104
6. (011-2018) Appointment of Bond Counsel – Jan L. Wouters, of the firm of Bathgate, Wegener & Wolf, P.C.
7. (012-2018) Appointment of Conflict Municipal Attorney – Brian W. McAlindin, of the Firm of Bathgate, Wegener & Wolf, P.C.-COF #2018-105
8. (013-2018) Appointment of Conflict Public Defender – Brian J. DiStefano, Esquire-COF #2018-106
9. (014-2018) Appointment of Special Projects Engineer–T&M Associates-COF #2018-107
10. (015-2018) Appointment of Special Projects Engineer-CME Associates, Inc.-COF #2018-108
11. (016-2018) Appointment of Special Counsel for Affordable Housing (COAH) – Jeffrey R. Surenian, Esq., of the firm of Jeffrey R. Surenian & Associates, LLC. -COF #2018-109
12. (017-2018) Appointment of Professional Planner – Peter Van den Kooy, of the firm of

- CME Associates, Inc. – COF #2018-110
13. (018-2018) Appointment of Borough Conflict Prosecutor – Bonnie Peterson, Esq. – COF #2018-111
 14. (019-2018) Appointment of Health Insurance Consultant – Scott Davenport of the Firm Connor Strong & Buckelew – COF #2018-112
 15. (020-2018) Appointment of Shared Services Attorney – Bonnie Peterson, Esq. – COF #2018-113
 16. (021-2018) Appointment of Animal Control Officer – John Neary T/A Muskrat Jack - COF #2018-114
 17. (022-2018) Appointment of Regular Crossing Guards:

Robyn Aiello	Carol Mead
Catherine Benedict	Marie Saporito
Emma Connors	Rosemarie Scura
Theresa Gahr	Alice Van Note
Mary Sue Hammell	Phyllis Willever
Che’ Langan	Barbara Woolley

 and Substitute Crossing Guards:
 Stephen Grady, John Kaklamanis, Tracey Ruffini and Pete Remondelli
 18. (023-2018) Appointment of Special Law Enforcement Officers IIs (SLEO II):
 Richard Otto, Terrence Berkeley, Pierce Drzymkowski, and Michael Cappello
 19. (024-2018) Appointment of Tax Search Officer – Jennifer Burr and Tax Assessment Search Officer – Antoinette Jones
 20. (025-2018) Appointment of Tax Assessor as Agent in Tax Appeals - Robyn Palughi
 21. (026-2018) Appointment of 2017 Community Development Block Grant Representative - Robert Forsyth and Alternate – John LeCompte
 22. (027-2018) Appointment of Representative to Ocean County Joint Insurance Fund – Robert Forsyth
 23. (028-2018) Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer – Frank Pannucci, Jr.

MOTION: Adopt Resolutions

MADE: Mr. Wisniewski

SECOND: Mr. DePaola

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: *Abstain/Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

***Councilwoman Snyder Abstained from Resolutions 8, 4, 6 & 7 and voted Yes to all others.**

I. CONSENT AGENDA

“All matters listed under item “Consent Agenda” will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired on any item, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.”

1. (029-2018) Establish Council Meeting Dates
2. (030-2018) Establish Cash Management Plan and Designate Official Depositories
3. (031-2018) Designate Official Newspapers – The Ocean Star and Asbury Park Press
4. (032-2018) Authorize Continuation of Petty Cash Funds – \$200.00 Borough Clerk’s

- Office, \$100.00 to DPW and \$100.00 to Recreation
5. (033-2018) Authorize Continuation of Change Funds
 6. (034-2018) Set Interest Rates and Penalty for Delinquent Tax and Utility Charges
 7. (035-2018) Annual Salary Resolution – Borough Employees

MOTION: Adopt Resolutions

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Borowsky: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato: <u>Yes</u>
Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Snyder: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Thulen: <u>Yes</u>

CARRIES: Yes

J. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS – Council Approval – Oaths of Office

1. (036-2018) Appoint Member to the Planning Board – Class III, Councilman Joseph Furmato

MOTION: Approve Appointment

MADE: Mr. Borowsky

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Borowsky: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato: <u>Yes</u>
Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Snyder: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Thulen: <u>Yes</u>

CARRIES: Yes

2. (037-2018) Appoint Members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment – Jeffrey Schroeder, Regular Member (3 Year term); James Giordano, Regular Member (3 Year Term); Robert Nikola, Alt. #1; William Marshall, Alt. #3

MOTION: Approve Appointments

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Borowsky: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato: <u>Yes</u>
Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Snyder: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Thulen: <u>Yes</u>

CARRIES: Yes

3. (038-2018) Appoint Council Representative to Open Space Advisory Committee - John Wisniewski

MOTION: Approve Appointment

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Mr. Borowsky: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato: <u>Yes</u>
Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Snyder: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Thulen: <u>Yes</u>

CARRIES: Yes

K. COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS

1. (039-2018) Confirm Sub-Committees and Liaisons

MOTION: Adopt Resolution

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Borowsky

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

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SECOND: Mrs. Snyder

APPROVED: All in Favor

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

All in Favor

TRANSCRIBED BY: VERONICA THWING, DEPUTY CLERK

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

ANTOINETTE JONES
BOROUGH CLERK

ROBERT A. SABOSIK
MAYOR