# COUNCIL MEETING ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 12:00PM

Mayor: Robert A. Sabosik
Council President: Charlene Archer
Council Member: William Borowsky
Council Member: Joseph Furmato

Council Member: John Wisniewski - Absent

Council Member:Antoinette DePaolaCouncil Member:Valerie CoulsonBorough Attorney:Martin Buckley, Esq.Borough Administrator:Frank Pannucci

Deputy Borough Clerk: Frank Pannucci
Veronica Thwing

#### THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT STATEMENT: 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 and advertised in the November 26, 2022, edition of The Ocean Star and advertised in the November 29, 2022, edition of The Asbury Park Press.

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "We have the following dignitaries in the audience today, Ocean County Commissioner, Ginny Haines; Mayor of Bay Head, Bill Curtis; Former Councilman, Brian McAlindin; Former Councilwoman, Judge Pam Snyder and my esteemed friend, Judge Bob Fall. Now we have the pleasure of Judge Pam Snyder administering the official oath of office to William Borowsky. Judge Bob Fall administered the official oath to Valerie Coulson and Antoinette DePaola".

#### A. OFFICIAL OATH OF OFFICE

- 1. William Borowsky Council Member
- 2. Valerie Coulson Council Member
- 3. Antoinette DePaola Council Member

# B. NOMINATION AND RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT - (001-2022)

Councilman Joseph Furmato made a motion to nominate Charlene Archer as the Council President for 2022. Judge Bob Fall administered the official oath of office to Council President Charlene Archer.

**MOTION:** Approve Nomination and Adopt Resolution

MADE: Mr. Furmato SECOND: Mr. Borowsky

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

**CARRIES:** 

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "As always, now is the time to reflect on this past year and look into the future of our great town. During this pandemic we've projected a safe and balanced approach to governing to ensure that our residents were able to see that Point Pleasant is indeed different. Our culture of positive actions including a continuation of governing which enabled us to complete public roads. Slowly opening of our cultural events, including our 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary, plus one. This Administration will continue to meet and exceed the expectations of the majority of our residents to enjoy what this town has to offer. We will continue to grow and make this town the best that we can make it. We will grow our senior citizen programs, we will grow our special events, including Haunts in the Park, Christmas Marketplace, and other seasonal recreational programs. We will continue to do this in a financially conservative approach acknowledging that every tax dollar spent is in the best interest of our residents.

Our history of improving our recreation areas including our beaches will include a component this year of kayak launching and paddle boards along with much needed handicap mats and all-terrain vehicles to enable all to enjoy the waterfront of our town. Most of these costs have been borne by financial aid and grants given to our town. Our financial state is healthy and once again our audit came back with no negative comments which ensures that our town continues to get a credit rating that is beneficial to all of us. We are not done yet, we are planning many projects that will have a positive affect on our town, today and into our future. We must strive to continue with programming that includes all generations. We must continue to help all our residents to the best of our ability. This team that you've all elected will continue to show you that we will work as hard as possible to protect your investment, which includes your homes and families while having a culture of enjoyment and satisfaction for living in one of the best towns in the State.

The Point Pleasant Borough experience is unique. There is a reason why people are clamoring to move in, and no one wants to move out. We are a multi-generation town and will continue to be so. I personally want to thank the people of Point Pleasant, our councilmembers, our professionals, our town employees, our volunteers, my family and of course my wife for letting me lead this town. As I've said before and I will say again there is no better place to live than in Point Pleasant Borough. God Bless all of you and God Bless America."

## C. COMMENTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

**Council Member Furmato stated the following:** "Thank you Mr. Mayor. Congratulations to Bill, Toni, and Val. Hopefully we have a good year, we will. I want to thank all Borough employees, our professionals, our volunteers, fire department, OEM, and the ambulance people. I think we are all going to have a good year."

Council Member Coulson stated the following: "I first want to congratulate Charlene on becoming Council President and a great job to Toni, she's done a great job this past year. I want to thank the council for guiding me and supporting me and taking me under their wing as a "newbie" for a couple months last year and then through the election. Congratulations to Bill and Toni on their re-election, as well. I want to thank my family for their love and support, especially my husband, Tom who puts up with me every day. My Mom, my brothers, my sister-in-law and my sister. My children and my one granddaughter who I had to leave because she doesn't have the patience to listen to Mom Mom say anything. Thank you to all the professionals, the volunteers in town and to everybody that makes this town such a great place to live in. Happy New Year."

Council Member Borowsky stated the following: "Thank you Mr. Mayor. First, I would like to thank the residents of Point Pleasant for electing me and my running mates for another 3-year term. I know we as a Mayor and Council will work tirelessly to do the best job we can for this town as we've done in the past. I would like to congratulate my running mates; all those being sworn in today and all the appointments on the agenda. It is because of your hard work and dedication that Point Pleasant is the best town in the

State to live in and I say thank you. I would also like to thank Sherri Silversmith, our Recreation Director, and her entire staff at the Rec Department. They do an amazing job for our town. Our program sign-ups are continually setting records, the Beehive is back in full swing and as our Mayor, alluded to our special events are second to none. As you can tell Recreation is my committee and that is why I'm elaborating so much but our Recreation Department really continues to hit it out of the park, and they are the best bang for your buck. I would also like to thank DPW and specifically the building and grounds department for the great job they do in keeping our recreation buildings and our properties, beaches in such great condition. They really do a phenomenal job. I would also like to thank all Borough employees for the great job that they do. They come to work every day, and it is amazing how many compliments we receive because of their hard work. It is an honor to serve up here and to hear the great compliments that we hear.

Moving forward this year, I would like Mayor and Council to get back to work on upgrading or replacing our existing Rec Center. I would like to see the Arnold Avenue property developed into a full-fledged park for our residents and I would also like to see a piece of Borough property maybe a little pocket park developed into a veteran's park to honor all those who have served this great town in the past. In closing I would like to thank my son, my daughter, my granddaughter who are all here today, Susan, my girlfriend, Vinny, my daughter's boyfriend. It is with support of my family that I do this, and I appreciate their support. I would also like to thank this Mayor and Council. This past year was a little tough, I've had some health issues and receiving all the texts supporting me and lifting me up, as well as, all the prayers from everybody to help me deal with the health issues, I say thank you from the bottom of my heart. I can't say thank you enough to all of you this council is like my extended family. Happy 2022!"

Council Member DePaola stated the following: "First off as everyone on the dais has done, I would like to thank the residents of Point Pleasant Borough for re-electing myself, Bill Borowsky and for electing my colleague Val Coulson who is a wonderful edition to this team. As Bill just alluded to, we are not just a team we truly are a family. A family that cares about each other, a family that continues to put our families first even though we are working to the best of our abilities to keep the Borough running smoothly, to enhance our programs to improve our properties, to reward our Borough employees for a job well done, and for the help and support of our volunteers and professionals we keep this town moving forward but we never forget that we are family first. Our families are everything to us and our colleagues on the dais are our family also. As Bill said he went through a tough patch this year and we are truly grateful that he is doing well and feeling well and we are also thrilled that his son, Bill is back from the marines, and he is safe and healthy, and he is here to help his dad, it's a wonderful thing. I wish the residents of Point Pleasant Borough come together as we move forward, as we deal with Covid, as we try to get through these really rough two years that we stay together as a family. That we look and admire each other, and we don't forget we are all in this together. I would like to thank the Mayor and Council for a job well done and for always putting the people first and moving forward I hope to see a lot of great things coming to the Borough of Point Pleasant. I wish everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!"

Council President Archer stated the following: "I want to also congratulate Toni, Bill and Val. I am so happy we are all part of this team and as Toni said we are family and Val welcome to our family and Toni and Bill it is great to working with you on our team. I want to thank the council for nominating me as council president. Working with this council is so rewarding and it is an honor to be part of this team. Your confidence in me is greatly appreciated. Thank you to my family, especially my husband for understanding the many nights and days that we spend away from them to work for the town that we all love. I want to thank the emergency services for the outstanding job they did again in another unprecedented year. The first aid, fire and police department commitment during this time is evident with their outstanding performance. Their dedication to the residents of Point Pleasant is commendable.

Thank you also to our town employees. Especially our Borough Administrator, Frank Pannucci for keeping the town running and keeping it safe during this year. DPW for all the work they have done maintaining

our roads and our parks. The Recreation Department for all the events they have coordinated. The department provided fun-filled events while ensuring safety for all that attended.

2021 started during the height of the pandemic. We all thought the town would hopefully open up early in the year but again a number of events had to be cancelled. Starting with Earth Day in April, our 100<sup>th</sup> plus 1 Centennial Anniversary celebration in May. Finally, things started opening and the town came together, starting with National Night Out in August, Fall Fest in September, and of course the long awaited 100<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary celebration in October with the fireworks. We finished the year with Trick or Trunk, Haunts in the Park and of course our tree lighting and meet the Santa at Bennett Cabin. These events brought the town together even during these challenging times and showed the resilience of all our residents and our town employees. My hope for 2022 is to see a closure to this chapter with a brighter, happier year ahead. Thank you again."

The Mayor asked Ocean County Commissioner Haines if she would like to say a few words.

Ocean County Commissioner Haines stated the following: "Thank you Mayor. I would just like to congratulate all those that were re-elected and those that were elected. I know that you will continue like you've all said like a family to all work together to continue to make Point Pleasant a great town. On behalf of the Board of Commissioners I want to wish you the best. You are a great town and you have always worked very well with the County of Ocean, and we look forward to continuing working with all of you. God Bless you and God Bless the residents of Point Pleasant Borough and God Bless the men serving in the military. God Bless the United States of America".

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "I am honored to sit up here with this elected council. All these people work very hard. I was very happy to see the great success of the election acknowledging the hard work our three council people have done and will continue to do. You can be rest assured this town is in great hands and like we've all said we have a great future together. We will share in that future; we will enjoy that future and we will go down the path of success. So, without further ado we will be bringing in our firefighters to do their oath of office."

#### D. FIREFIGHTERS – Oath of Office

#### FIRST AID – Oath of Office

#### E. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS – Oaths of Office

- 1. Planning Board Frank Pannucci to Class II, Borough Official; Andy Preiser; Albert Faraldi
- 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 Jim Dempsey as Alt. #2
- 3. Environmental Commission John Burke, Sr., Member; Mike Romanowski, Member; Laura Malta, Member; Dennis Blazak, Member; Heidi Riley, Member/Garden Club Liaison; Ann Marie Dorsett, Member; Jim Karaba; Alt. #1; Marianne Grant, Alt. #2
- 4. Recreation Advisory Committee Mary Jane Bavais; David Shaver; Jordan Beverly; Liz Schrader; Clint Hunt; Aimee Parani; Karen Damerau; Tom Boesch

**MOTION:** Approve Resolutions

MADE: Ms. DePaola SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

#### **CARRIES:**

## F. <u>OPEN PUBLIC SESSION</u> (Resolutions, Consent Agenda and Authorizations Only) Five (5) Minute Limit Per Person

#### **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

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:	Ms. DePaola	
SECOND: Ms. Coulson		
APPROVE	ED: <u>All in Favor</u>	

Council President Archer opened the meeting to the public.

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

## G. <u>RESOLUTIONS</u>

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

- 1. (002-2022) Temporary Operating Budget -2022
- 2. (003-2022) Bills and Claims 2021
- 3. (004-2022) Bills and Claims 2022

The 2021 bills totaling the amount of \$569,821.84 and the 2022 bills totaling the amount of \$365,445.00 are to be paid as presented. The bills and claims list are 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:** Approve Resolutions

MADE: Ms. DePaola SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

**CARRIES:** 

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

1. (005-2022) Appointment of Municipal Attorney – Jerry J. Dasti, of the firm Dasti, Murphy, Ulaky, Koutsouris & Connors-COF #2022-100

2. (006-2022)	Appointment of Municipal Auditor – Robert Allison, of the firm Holman, Frenia & Allison, P.CCOF #2022-101		
3. (007-2022)	Appointment of Municipal Engineer – John R. LeCompte, of the firm Remington & Vernick Engineers-COF #2022-102		
4. (008-2022)	Appointment of Municipal Prosecutor –Brian W. McAlindin, of the firm Bathgate, Wegener & Wolf, P.C COF #2022-103		
<b>5.</b> (009-2022)	Appointment of Public Defender – Brian J. DiStefano, Esq., of the firm Brian J. DiStefano, Esq., LLC – COF #2022-104		
<b>6.</b> (010-2022)	Appointment of Bond Counsel – William R. Mayer, of the firm DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole, Giblins, LLP		
7. (011-2022)	Appointment of Conflict Municipal Attorney – Kevin B. Riordan, EsqCOF #2022-105		
8. (012-2022)	Appointment of Conflict Municipal Attorney – Jean Cipriani, Esq., of the firm Rothstein, Mandell, Strohm, Halm & Cipriani, PA - COF #2022-106		
9. (013-2022)	Appointment of Special Projects Engineer – T&M Associates		
10. (014-2022)	Appointment of Special Projects Engineer - CME Associates, Inc.		
11. (015-2022)	Appointment of Special Projects Engineer – Van Cleef Engineering Assoc.		
12. (016-2022)	Appointment of Special Projects Engineer – Colliers Engineering dba/Maser Consulting		
13. (017-2022)	Appointment of Special Counsel for Affordable Housing (COAH) – Jeffrey R. Surenian, Esq., of the firm Surenian, Edwards & Nolan, LLC – COF #2022-111		
14. (018-2022)	Appointment of Professional Planner –Marika Apte, of the firm CME Associates, Inc. – COF #2022-112		
15. (019-2022)	Appointment of Health Insurance Consultant – Scott Davenport of the firm Connor, Strong & Buckelew – COF #2022-113		
16. (020-2022)	Appointment of Shared Services Attorney – Bonnie Peterson, Esq. – COF #2022-114		
17. (021-2022)	Appointment of Animal Control Officer – John Neary T/A Muskrat Jack – COF #2022-115		
18. (022-2022)	Appointment of Borough Conflict Prosecutor – Bonnie Peterson, Esq. – COF #2022-116		
19. (023-2022)	Appointment of Borough Alternate/Conflict Public Defender – John J. Novak, Esq.; COF #2022-117		
20. (024-2022)	Appointment of Regular Crossing Guards:		
	Robyn Cataldo Che Langan Tracey Ruffini Lisa Barger		
	Mary Sue Hammell Phyllis Willever Marie Saporito		
	Kimberlee Barnes Kim Johnston Kim Poggio		
	Denise Kuncken Theresa Gahr Rose Scura		
	and Substitute Crossing Guards:		
	Steven LaCapria and Jesica Corino		
21. (025-2022)	Appointment of Special Law Enforcement Officers IIs (SLEO II):		
21. (023 2022)	Richard Otto, Pierce Drzymkowski, and, John Jakubiak		
22. (026-2022)	Appointment of Special Law Enforcement Officers IIIs (SLEO III):		
,	Daniel Guthrie, Joseph Robertazzi, Kevin O'Hara, and Richard J. Marinelli		
23. (027-2022)	Appointment of Tax Search Officer – Jennifer Burr and Tax Assessment Search Officer – Antoinette Jones		
24. (028-2022)	Appointment of Tax Assessor as Agent in Tax Appeals - Robyn Palughi		
25. (029-2022)	Appointment of 2022 Community Development Block Grant Representative - Robert Forsyth and Alternate – John LeCompte		

26. (030-2022) Appointment of Representative to Ocean County Joint Insurance Fund – Frank Pannucci

27. (031-2022) Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer - Frank Pannucci, Jr.

28. (032-2022) Authorize Richard J. Banach to Perform Real Estate Appraisal Services - COF #2022-118

**MOTION:** Adopt Resolutions

MADE: Mr. Borowsky SECOND: Ms. DePaola

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

#### **CARRIES:**

## 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. (033-2022) Establish Council Meeting Dates
- 2. (034-2022) Establish Cash Management Plan and Designate Official Depositories
- 3. (035-2022) Designate Official Newspapers The Ocean Star and Asbury Park Press
- 4. (036-2022) Authorize Continuation of Petty Cash Funds \$200.00 Borough Clerk's Office, \$100.00 to DPW and \$100.00 to Recreation
- 5. (037-2022) Authorize Continuation of Change Funds
- 6. (038-2022) Set Interest Rates and Penalty for Delinquent Tax and Utility Charges
- 7. (039-2022) Annual Salary Resolution Borough Employees
- 8. (040-2022) Authorizing Acceptance and Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Bay Head for the Purpose of Sharing Borough Administrative Services
- 9. (041-2022) Granting an Increase in Salary for Shared Svc. to Borough Administrator
- 10. (042-2022) Granting an Increase in Salary for Shared Syc. to Tax Collector
- 11. (043-2022) Granting an Increase in Salary for Shared Svc. to Confidential Assistant to CFO
- 12. (044-2022) Authorize Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Ocean County Prosecutor "Move Over" Law Enforcement Program (M.O.L.E.P.) 2021/2022

**MOTION:** Adopt Consent Agenda

MADE: Ms. Coulson SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

#### **CARRIES:**

J. <u>APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS</u> – Council Approval – Oaths of Office

1. (045-2022) Appointment of Class III Member to the Planning Board – Councilman Joseph Furmato

- 2. (046-2022) Appointment of Council Representative to Open Space Advisory Committee Councilman John Wisniewski
- 3. (047-2022) Appointment of Members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment Joseph

Veni (4-year term); James Giordano (4-year term); Jeanette Schlapfer, Alt. #1; (2-year term); John Frisina, Alt. #3 (2-year term)

**MOTION:** Approve Appointments

MADE: Ms. DePaola SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

**CARRIES:** 

#### K. <u>COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS</u>

1. (048-2022) Confirm Sub-Committees and Liaisons

**MOTION:** Approve Council Committees

MADE: Ms. DePaola SECOND: Mr. Borowsky

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

**CARRIES:** 

#### L. ORDINANCE

1. Ordinance No. 2022-1 – Authorizing Installation of Yield Sign (R102) on the North Side of North Manetta Drive and Thereby Modifying Chapter 7-6.3 and Schedule XI of the Borough Code

MADE: Ms. DePaola SECOND: Ms. Coulson

Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Absent Ms. DePaola: Yes Ms. Coulson: Yes

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**MOTION:** Open the meeting to the public

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Borowsky

**APPROVED: All in Favor** 

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting to the public			
Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.			
MOTION TO ADJOURN			
All in Favor.			
TRANSCRIBED BY: ANTOINETTE JONES, BOROUGH CLERK			
ATTEST:	APPROVED:		
ANTOINETTE JONES, RMC, CMR BOROUGH CLERK	ROBERT A. SABOSIK MAYOR		