

**MINUTES OF THE  
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON  
JANUARY 7, 2020  
ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**OPENING:** Mayor Thomas J. Weaver called the annual reorganization meeting to order at 7:01PM.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT:** Mayor Weaver read the following statement, "This meeting has been properly advertised and posted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, the Open Public Meetings Act."

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor weaver lead in the salute to the flag.

**OATHS ADMINISTERED TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

**SWEARING IN OF THOMAS WEAVER TO THE OFFICE OF MAYOR IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS-** The oath of office was administered to Mayor Thomas J. Weaver by Assemblywoman Gabriella Mosquera, while his wife Christy Weaver held the bible.

**SWEARING IN OF THOMAS SHAW TO THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMAN IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS-** Councilman Thomas Shaw was sworn in to the office of Councilman for a term of three years by Councilman Mark Armbruster, with his daughter holding the bible.

**SWEARING IN OF CHRISTOPHER HAMMOND TO THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMAN IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS-** Councilman Christopher Hammond was sworn into office by Assemblywoman Gabriella Mosquera, while Mayor Thomas J. Weaver held the bible.

**ROLL CALL:** Jenai Johnson, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Thomas J. Weaver; Councilman Melvin Applegate; Councilman Mark Armbruster; Councilman Christopher Hammond; Councilwoman Meghan Milano; Councilman Thomas Shaw; Councilwoman Holly Strobl.

**NOMINATION OF BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT:** Councilman Armbruster motioned to nominate Councilman Thomas Shaw to the office of Council President. Motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

**INTRODUCTION OF DIGNITARIES:** Mayor Weaver noted that there were several dignitaries in attendance and welcomed them to the meeting. Mayor Weaver invited Assemblywoman Gabrielle Mosquera to make remarks.

Assemblywoman Mosquera thanked the Governing Body for inviting her to the meeting and wished everyone a happy year ahead. Assemblywoman Mosquera stated that she acknowledged the hard work and dedication of the governing body and the progress shown in town was proof of that dedication. Hearing no further dignitaries who wished to address the attendees, Mayor Weaver took a brief intermission to allow the departure of those who had other obligations to attend to.

**REMARKS FROM NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL GUESTS:**

Mayor Weaver invited the newly elected officials to address the meeting attendees.

Councilman Shaw thanked his family for their support and stated that he looked forward to making the Borough better and thanked the residents for entrusting him in his position and electing him.

Councilman Hammond stated that he was a relatively new resident of two years, and greatly appreciated the opportunity to serve the community.

Mayor Weaver stated that he wished to thank his wife and children for allowing him to serve the community and supporting him on the endeavor. Mayor Weaver stated that he had a plethora of goals to achieve while in office.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

*INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING*

ORDINANCE 2020-01 PROVIDING FOR THE SALARIES AND WAGES OF EMPLOYEES AND OTHER OFFICIALS RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2020. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve on first reading, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-01 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY, GEORGE J. BOTCHEOS, JR., 1202 LAUREL OAK ROAD, VOORHEES, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-02 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTANT BOWMAN AND COMPANY, LLP, 601 WHITE HORSE ROAD, VOORHEES, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-03 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL ENGINEER FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES, BACH ASSOCIATES, 304 WHITE HORSE PIKE, HADDON HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Applegate motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-04 APPOINTING BOND COUNSEL, PARKER MCCAY , MOUNT LAUREL, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-05 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR CHERYL COHEN, FOR YEAR 2020. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-06 APPOINTING INSURANCE BROKER, HARDENBERGH INSURANCE AGENCY, MARLTON, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-07 APPOINTING LABOR COUNSEL, GRACE, MARMERO & ASSOCIATES, LLP, 44 EUCLID STREET, WOODBURY, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-08 APPOINTING PUBLIC DEFENDER, CHARLES WIGGINTON, GLOUCESTER CITY, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Strobl motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

Mayor Weaver read the following consent agenda resolutions:

RESOLUTION R20-09 ADOPTING ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

RESOLUTION R20-10 ADOPTING LEGAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON: THE CENTRAL RECORD AND COURIER POST

RESOLUTION R20-11 AUTHORIZING LEGAL DEPOSITORIES OF FUNDS: BENEFICIAL BANK, NA; T.D. BANK N.A.; SOVEREIGN BANK; REPUBLIC BANK; NJ CASH MANAGEMENT FUND

RESOLUTION R20-12 AUTHORIZING OFFICIALS TO SIGN CHECKS: MAYOR, COUNCIL PRESIDENT, CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER, MUNICIPAL CLERK, DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

RESOLUTION R20-13 AUTHORIZING OFFICIALS TO SIGN TAX TITLE LIEN CHECKS: TAX COLLECTOR AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RESOLUTION R20-14 AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH FUNDS

RESOLUTION R20-15 AUTHORIZING BONDS FOR BOROUGH OFFICIALS

RESOLUTION R20-16 AUTHORIZING BONDS FOR COURT OFFICIALS

RESOLUTION R20-17 AUTHORIZING INTEREST CHARGES FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

RESOLUTION R20-18 AUTHORIZING CHARGE FOR DUPLICATE TAX BILLS

RESOLUTION R20-19 ADOPTING 2020 SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

RESOLUTION R20-20 AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND COUNCIL EXPENSES

RESOLUTION R20-21 ADOPTING POLICE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AS AMENDED

RESOLUTION R20-22 DESIGNATING DELEGATES TO THE CAMDEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2020

RESOLUTION R20-23 AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM AND NAMING THE PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve Resolutions R20-09 thru and including Resolution R20-23. Motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-24 APPOINTING BROWN & CONNERY AS LABOR COUNSEL FOR YEAR 2020. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-25 AUTHORIZING SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENTS/POSITIONS HELD FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION AT 2019 COUNCIL MEETINGS

RESOLUTION R20-26 TO ADOPT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY POLICE AGENCIES

Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve Resolutions R20-25 and R20-26. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shaw and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-27 TO ADOPT 2020 TEMPORARY BUDGET. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Milano motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R20-28 CONFIRMING COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2020. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

Mayor Weaver read the following consent agenda items inclusive of Resolutions R20-29 through and including Resolution R20-39.

RESOLUTION R20-29 AWARDED CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES TO INDEPENDENT ANIMAL CONTROL INC, FOR THE PERIOD BETWEEN AND INCLUDING JANUARY 1, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2020

RESOLUTION R20-30 ACCEPTING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2020

RESOLUTION R20-31 AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER TO REFUND CERTAIN ESCROW BALANCES AND VARIOUS OTHER REVENUES ON DEPOSIT WITH THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON FOR YEAR 2020

RESOLUTION R20-32 AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS PURSUANT TO NJSA 4A:11-12a

RESOLUTION R20-33 AUTHORIZING INTERLOCAL SERVICES PARTICIPATION BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON AND COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING FOR YEAR 2020

RESOLUTION R20-34 AFFIRMING RESOLUTION R00-92, OPEN SPACE REFERENDUM

RESOLUTION R20-35 AUTHORIZING USE OF GOVDEALS FOR ONLINE AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R20-36 APPOINTING PHOENIX ADVISORS AS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR FOR YEAR 2020

RESOLUTION R20-37 RESCINDING RESOLUTION R19-168 AND AWARDED CONTRACT TO VOORHEES ANIMAL ORPHANAGE FOR YEAR 2020

RESOLUTION R20-38 AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF FEDERICI & AKIN, P.A. AS MUNICIPAL ENGINEER FOR SERVICES IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON

RESOLUTION R20-39 AUTHORIZING VARIOUS APPOINTMENTS OF EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON

Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve Resolutions R20-29 thru R20-39. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shaw and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS:**

Mayor Weaver announced the following mayoral appointments to the Joint Land Use Board of the Borough of Clementon-

CHRISTOPHER MCKELVEY CLASS IV JOINT LANDUSE BOARD WITH TERM EXP. 12/31/23  
FRANK NAURATH ALTERNATE JOINT LANDUSE BOARD WITH TERM EXP. 12/31/21

Councilman Shaw motioned to appoint MARK ARMBRUSTER to the position of CLASS III JOINT LANDUSE BOARD WITH TERM EXP 12/31/20. Motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Mayor Weaver opened the floor to the public for anyone wishing to speak.

Robert Trombley, Lake Avenue- Mr. Trombley stated that he wished everyone a happy new year and congratulated the newly elected officials. Mr. Trombley commented on the progress of the construction on Lake Avenue and noted his belief in the need for speed bumps. Mr. Trombley also stated that there were parking issues on the south end and traffic concerns.

Hearing no further parties interested in commenting, Mayor Weaver closed the public portion of the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman Armbruster motioned to adjourn at 7:29PM, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and hearing none opposed, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenai L. Johnson,  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator