

BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON
MINUTES OF ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 4, 2015, 2:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BOROUGH HALL

The Reorganization Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Barrington was held January 4, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at the Barrington Municipal Building, with Mayor Robert Klaus presiding.

HONOR GUARD & PRESENTATION OF COLORS: Once again this year our Honor Guard was Barrington Boy Scout and Cub Scout Troop 96. The Troop preceded Council into the Reorganization Meeting.

INVOCATION: Pastor Richard Archut, Community Bible Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: led by Noah, Abigail, Aaron and Emily Popiolek, the children of Council President Kirk Popiolek.

STAR SPANGLED BANNER: Beth Griffith of the Barrington Band led the audience in singing our National Anthem.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Klaus called the meeting to order and made the following statement: "This meeting is held in compliance with Chapter 231 of the open public meetings act of 1975 and appropriate notice has been given."

WELCOME/INTRODUCTION: Mayor Klaus welcomed everyone to the 98th Reorganization in our Borough; great crowd here today, thank you to our residents and special guests for attending. Barrington is always honored with attending dignitaries including United States Congressman-Elect Donald Norcross, State Senator and Barrington resident Nilsa Cruz Perez, Freeholder Carmen Rodriguez, Assemblyman Angel Fuentes, Freeholder Michelle Gentek, Camden County Surrogate and Barrington resident Patricia Egan Jones, Assemblyman Gilbert "Whip" Wilson, and County Clerk Joe Rippa. Each of the dignitaries thanked the borough representatives for their service, congratulated the newly elected Councilman, said they know one of the things that makes our Reorg special is the Barrington Band and they thanked the Band for their service, and wished all a happy, healthy New Year. Other dignitaries attending included former Barrington Mayors John Rink and Tom Page, Mayor of Magnolia Betty Ann Cowling Carson and for Freeholder Tom Gurick from Gloucester City.

Mayor Klaus asked for a moment of silence to remember in our prayers the families of our deceased residents Andy Wager, Dr. "Doc" Orapollo, Walt Uron and Ralph Farinella.

SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS: Municipal Clerk Terry Shannon read the Certificate of Election from the Board of Canvassers for the State of New Jersey.

KIRK POPIOLEK was sworn into office as Councilman by the Honorable Nilsa Cruz Perez, with his wife Rebecca and their four children at his side.

ERNEST RINK was ceremonially sworn into office as a Councilman by his son Mayor Emeritus John D. Rink, with his wife Marion at his side. Former Mayor Rink said that 15 years ago when he was asked to run for Council he spoke with his father for his opinion and he did not listen to his father; this time his father sought his opinion and his father did listen to him. John said he taught his father all that he knows! Councilman Rink stated he is pleased to be elected, especially being from the other side of town!

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: The Municipal Clerk called the roll of Council and reports the following:

Ludwig	- present	Popiolek	- present
Nicholson	- present	Bergeron	- present
Robenolt	- present	Rink	- present

Also on the dais: Mayor Robert Klaus, Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk, and Borough Solicitor Timothy Higgins, Esq.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS:

BARRINGTON'S HOMETOWN HERO: presented to Molly Harkins by Mayor Klaus and Councilwoman Nicholson. Molly was selected because of her dedication to her church, family and community; she is the first to always say "how can I help".

BARRINGTON'S BEST: presented to Renee Coppola by Councilwoman Nicholson and Mayor Klaus. Renee was selected because of her dedication to her family and to serving the Borough of Barrington through volunteerism.

VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR: presented to the TNR Committee (Trap, Neuter, Return) by Councilwoman Bergeron and Mayor Klaus. The TNR committee members have trapped feral cats, taken them to be neutered and receive shots, nursed them back to health and built habitats in the area feral colonies. The volunteers also feed the cats on a daily basis. This is all done with donations of money and food.

POLICE OFFICERS OF THE YEAR: presented to Patrolman Steve Kelly and Patrolman Dave Pawling by Chief Dave Roberts, with Lt. Mike Drumm and Mayor Klaus at his side.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: presented by Councilman Robenolt to the Haddon Heights Band. Rob Rettinger from the band spoke about their achievements.

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS: presented by Councilman Ludwig to Connie Gravenor for twenty-five years of service; presented by Mayor Klaus to Chief Dave Roberts and Sgt. Dave Uron, both for twenty years of service.

MUSICAL SELECTION: performed by the Barrington Band

REMARKS BY NEWLY ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS:

COUNCILMAN KIRK POPIOLEK: thank everyone for being here at our reorganization; it is a joyous way to start the year off, and with a great band. Thank you Barrington Band for today and all the town events you attend. As all the elected officials have said the one thing missing from all the other reorganizations is Barrington Band! Thanked his wife and children for putting up with 11 years of his being part of "this family up here". At times it is hard to serve two families and thank you for being here to support me today as well. Thanks officials for taking time out of your busy schedule to be here with us, especially Nilsa Cruz Perez who was here to swear me in. It is truly an honor to have someone as decorated as you and who has served the state so well in the Assembly and back in the State Legislature as a State Senator filling Congressman Norcross's seat; if we can help, we are always here. A safe 2015 to all.

COUNCILMAN ERNIE RINK: Kirk said everything I was going to say! As the new fellow on the block I am honored and privileged to be here. Thank you Barrington Band; I have always enjoyed the music every time you played. My great-great grandfather played the bassoon, I play a mean kazoo! Congratulations to all receiving awards especially the Police, I think you do a great job. Thanks everyone for being here today. I will do my best to represent Council and not be any problem.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL: Mayor Klaus opened the floor for nominations for President of Council. Councilwoman NICHOLSON nominated Councilman POPIOLEK which nomination was seconded Councilman LUDWIG. With no other nominees the following poll vote was taken:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	Rink	- yes

MOTION IS CARRIED

Council President Popiolek accepted and thanked everyone for this nomination.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: to speed things along the Clerk said we would Motion that all Committee assignments as listed on the agenda be accepted:

COMMITTEE	DIRECTOR	MEMBER	MEMBER
Administration & Finance	POPIOLEK	Bergeron	Ludwig
Constituent Services/Parks & Recreation	NICHOLSON	Bergeron	Robenolt
Community Development	POPIOLEK	Klaus	Nicholson
Health & Senior Services	BERGERON	Nicholson	Rink
Judicial	RINK	Ludwig	Nicholson
Public Safety, Police	ROBENOLT	Ludwig	Rink
Public Safety, Fire, EMS, Regional Fire Alliance and Emergency Management	KLAUS	Ludwig	Nicholson
Public Works/Bldg & Grds/Sewer Util.	LUDWIG	Popiolek	Robenolt
Planning, Zoning, Construction	KLAUS	Popiolek	Rink
Green Team	ROBENOLT	Klaus	Rink

On a Motion by BERGERON and NICHOLSON the Council Committee assignments as listed on the agenda by the Municipal Clerk were approved by all Council members present.

MOTION IS CARRIED

INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS: Terms as provided for by State statute and/or Borough Ordinance; read by the Municipal Clerk the following appointments by Mayor Klaus to be confirmed by Council:

Municipal Clerk, Personnel Officer; Municipal Improvement Search Officer; Deputy Finance Officer	Terry Shannon
Purchasing Agent	
Tax/Sewer Rent Collector; Treasurer;	Kristy Emmett
Deputy Municipal Improvement Search Officer; Tax Search Officer.	
Finance Officer; Deputy Municipal Clerk; Deputy Treasurer	Denise Moules
Deputy Tax Search Officer; Deputy Tax Collector	
Deputy Sewer Rent Collector	Jennifer Trace
Zoning Administrator	George Jones
Fire Chief	Jason Houck
Regional Fire Marshall	Steve DePierri
Regional Fire Inspectors	Jim Burleigh, Ralph Jones, Ernie Busch and Frank Lafferty, Jr.
Ambulance Chief	Barbara Willson
Emergency Management Coordinator	Michael DePierri
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinators	Dave Roberts; Steve DePierri and Jack Kaiser
Superintendent of Public Works	Michael Ciocco
Environmental Compliance, Property Maintenance Officer	John Szczerbinski
Recycling/Clean Communities Coordinator	Michael Ciocco

Safety Director
Special Police Officer, Class I
Special Police Officer, Class II
Licensed Sewer Collection Operator
Stormwater Management Coordinator
Borough Physician
Coordinator of Senior Services
Teen Center Coordinator

Michael DePierri
Kenneth W. Jackson
Stephen Rabena
Michael Ciocco
Michael Ciocco
Dr. Robert Stagliano
Eileen Eckert Holcombe
Phylicia Robenolt

On a Motion by NICHOLSON and ROBENOLT the Individual Appointments as read by the Municipal Clerk were approved with the following poll vote:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	Rink	- yes

MOTION IS CARRIED

PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENTS: the Municipal Clerk read the following Appointments by Mayor Klaus, no confirmation necessary:

Class II Member, one (1) year term expiring 12/31/2015	Steve DePierri
Class III Member, one (1) year term expiring 12/31/2015	Ernie Rink
Class IV Member, unexpired term expiring 12/31/2018	Catherine MacDonald
Class IV Member, unexpired term expiring 12/31/2018	John Coraluzzi

Mayor Klaus advised that one more member will be confirmed at a later date.

BOARD OF HEALTH APPOINTMENTS: the Municipal Clerk read the following Council Appointments:

Three (3) year term expiring 12/31/2017	Terry Shannon
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On a Motion by BERGERON and POPIOLEK the Board of Health appointment as read by the Municipal Clerk was approved with all in favor.

MOTION IS CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS: The Municipal Clerk advised that she would read the following Resolutions by title, one after another, and Council would have the opportunity to vote as a Consent Agenda at the end of the reading:

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-1: ADOPTING THE 2014 TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-2: AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON – 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-3: AWARDING THE 2015 ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES CONTRACT TO AVAILABLE ANIMAL CONTROL AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-4: AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMISSIONER AND ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER TO THE CAMDEN COUNTY JOINT INSURANCE FUND

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-5: AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER AND ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER TO THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY REGIONAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-6: AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE CAMDEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-7: DESIGNATING 2015 MEETING NIGHTS FOR THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-8: AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL CLERK'S OFFICE TO MAINTAIN A REVOLVING PETTY CASH FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 200.00

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-9: DESIGNATING LEGAL NEWSPAPERS FOR 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-10: DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR 2015 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, P.L 1975

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-11: DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES FOR THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-12: SETTING INTEREST RATE CHARGES FOR DELINQUENT TAXES IN THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON FOR 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-13: AUTHORIZING INVESTMENT OF IDLE FUNDS AND FUND TRANSFERS BY THE FINANCE OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-14: ESTABLISHING A CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-15: DESIGNATING HEALTH CARE COMPANIES FOR 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015-16: APPOINTING MUNICIPAL COURT PERSONNEL

On a Motion by POPIOLEK and NICHOLSON the Resolutions were approved with the following poll vote:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	Rink	- yes

MOTION IS CARRIED

PUBLIC PORTION: Mayor Klaus advised that if you have a comment or question to please come forward and state your name and address for the record.

On a Motion by BERGERON and ROBENOLT, the public portion of the meeting was opened

DAVID LEEDS, 450 Elm Ave, Haddonfield – President of the Barrington Band, thanked the people of Barrington and Mayor and Council for their support through the years and for providing the Senior Center for them to practice. Without a place to practice there would be no band! We appreciate all the nice things you say about us.

Seeing no further comments from the public on a Motion NICHOLSON and ROBENOLT the public portion of the meeting was closed with all members of Council present in favor.

MOTION IS CARRIED

REMARKS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY:

COUNCILMAN LUDWIG – Happy New Year to all, congratulations to Kirk and Mr. Rink; enjoy the year. There is a lot to do and it will be a good year. Congratulations to Senator Cruz-Perez and Congressman Norcross. Have a good year and see you at the next meeting. Go Birds!

COUNCILWOMAN NICHOLSON – was going to say what Shawn said! Thanks for coming out today; great to see how crowded we are and overwhelming to have such a great turnout. Thank you “Volunteers of the Year”; “Hometown Hero” and “Barrington’s Best”; without you we couldn’t do half the things we do. Thank you employees, DPW, Police, Fire, EMS, office staff. It’s a pleasure and honor to serve with everyone up here. I look forward to 2015, Happy New Year and Go Birds!

COUNCILMAN ROBENOLT – welcome and thanks for coming out. Thanks you dignitaries for taking time to be here today; we appreciate it. Congratulations to all of our award winners; to Ernie and Kirk. Thanks to everyone up here for allowing me to make the presentation to the Band. Two of the kids are mine; out of the thirty-eight kids who competed for the National Title, twenty-four of them are from Barrington. WE are still looking for Green Team members so if you are interested please see me or Terry; we are moving forward trying to get certified. Have a good day.

COUNCILWOMAN BERGERON – thanks all for coming out today and taking time out of your busy schedule to be here. Thanks also to the Barrington Band, you always do an outstanding job. I am really thankful for all of the volunteers who received awards, they are all my friends and you are always here working with us and we do appreciate you. Congratulations to the Haddon Heights Marching Band for a great job as always.

MAYOR KLAUS – we appreciate our elected officials coming out to our event; it is a great thing. WE did have a great holiday season; our Christmas tree lighting, Fire Parade and all the other Holiday events. The whiter Horse Pike Redevelopment is on its way, moving along, Super WAWA! Thank you Councilman Kirk Popiolek for all your hard work in getting this accomplished. WE also have a senior citizens bus, please pass that along. It will be on the road very soon and we will be transporting senior citizens from a designated location to stores, the Borough Hall, the Senior Center, and the Shoprite. The policy and procedure is being worked on. As mentioned this is our 98th Reorganization and we are looking for volunteers to celebrate our Centennial in august of 2017. Businesses, Organizations and individuals are welcome to join the Centennial Committee. If interested please call the Borough Hall. WE had new volunteers for the Harvest Fest this year and it was terrific, even with the rain date! Barrington ABLE Group and the Women’s League did a tremendous job at Christmas this year. We helped over forty families in Barrington. That didn’t include any of the families we helped through the Social Services at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital; we did fifteen families out of there too; it’s a great thing! Please support all of our businesses. We have some new businesses in town - Asian House, Movie Poster Memorabilia, the General Store moved their store a remodeled their building, CUC, Community Utilities Consultants at Gloucester Pike. It will be a nice area there as they will be very involved in the Municipality. Thank you all employees, volunteers, Mayor’s Secretary, Clerk, CFO, Tax Office, Construction Department, KEI Engineers, Bach Engineers, Borough Solicitor Tim Higgins, Mike Albano Planning Board Solicitor and Economic Development Consultant Phil Rowan. Barrington Courts, Police Department, Fire Department, Ambulance Department, Regional Fire Alliance, Department of Public Works; thank you to everybody.

GOD BLESS AMERICA: Penny Teter, Director of the Barrington Band, let the Band in playing God Bless America with her daughter Beth Griffith at vocals who led the audience to sing along.

BENEDICTION: Pastor Richard Archut, Community Bible Church

ADJOURN: Seeing no other business to be transacted on a Motion of NICHOLSON and LUDWIG the Reorganization Meeting was adjourned at 3:12 pm.

ATTEST: *Terry Shannon*
Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk