

 **TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES
OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
January 2, 2018 * 10:00 A.M.**

The Meeting was called for order by Deputy Township Clerk, Karen A. Bacon, followed by the Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Mr. Cavileer, Mr. James and Mr. Lewis were all present.

Oath of Office to Daniel James – Committeeman was administered by Thomas Coleman, Esq.

Sunshine Notice: **This meeting is called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law. 1) Posting a copy of the Annual Meeting Schedule on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and emailing a copy to the Atlantic City Press and Burlington County Times and all those requesting copies on January 13, 2017. 2) Posting a copy of the agenda on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex. 3) Filing a copy of the agenda in the office of the Township Clerk at the Municipal Complex.**

4) Forwarding a copy of the agenda to the Atlantic City Press and the Burlington County Times

5) Forwarding a copy of the agenda to each person who requested copies of the regular meeting schedule.

All of the above posting, filing and mailing have taken place on the 29th day of December, 2017

Nomination for Mayor: Dudley H. Lewis, Nominated by Committeeman James, seconded Committeeman Cavileer. No other nominations, the nominations were closed.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

Nomination for Deputy Mayor: Daniel James, Nominated by Committeeman Cavileer, seconded Committeeman Lewis. No other nominations, the nominations were closed.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

Oath of Office to Mayor Lewis and Deputy Mayor James was administered by Thomas Coleman, Esq.

Resolutions:

2018-1 – Cash Management Plan

Motion made by Committeeman Cavileer, seconded by Deputy Mayor James.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

2018-2 – Award of Contract – Township Attorney – Thomas J. Coleman, III, Esq.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor James, seconded by Committeeman Cavileer.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

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2018-16 – Appointing Fund Commissioner and Alternate Fund Commissioner

Motion made by Deputy Mayor James, seconded by Committeeman Cavileer.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

2018-17 – Setting Forth Members of LEPC for 2018

Motion made by Deputy Mayor James, seconded by Committeeman Cavileer.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

2018-18 – Appointing a Public Compliance Officer

Motion made by Committeeman Cavileer, seconded by Deputy Mayor James.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

Mayor's Appointment to the Planning/Zoning Board

Class 1 – Mayor – Dudley H. Lewis - 1 year Appointment – 12/31/2018

Class 2 – Horace Somes – 1 year Appointment – 12/31/2018

Class 3 – Barry Cavileer – 1 year Appointment – 12/31/2018

Class 4 – Tim Michel – 4 year Appointment – 12/31/2021

Class 4 – Michael Peranteau – 4 year Appointment – 12/31/2021

Class 4 – Lyn Murray – 4 year Appointment – 12/31/2021

Alternate #2 – Michelle Scamoffa – 2 year Appointment 12/31/2019

PUBLIC COMMENT (Please state your name & address for the record)

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting to the public.

No one from the public wished to be heard, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

Motion to Adjourn the Reorganization Meeting made by Deputy Mayor James, seconded by Committeeman Cavileer.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis **Ayes: 3** **Nays: 0**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Bacon, RMC
Deputy Township Clerk

Horace Somes – I have no idea what you are talking about. This was discussed previously and I was aware that the Committee didn't want anything to fall through the cracks. We need to work on these issues in the coming year.

Solicitor Coleman – I don't remember discussing this with you.

Horace Somes – We haven't directly.

Solicitor Coleman – The property owner is very concerned and he isn't running a commercial bike business.

Horace Somes – I can't make a comment on this, as I haven't seen his letter.

Solicitor Coleman – You need to have direction before you contact individuals.

Horace Somes – There is a number of things that need to be addressed in the coming year. If there is something specific, I'll try to do better. We have Zoning and Tax Maps issues that need to be addressed.

Solicitor Coleman – Does the Committee have any comments.

Mayor Lewis and Deputy Mayor James had none.

Committeeman Cavileer – I'm satisfied with the explanations of Horace as far as they go.. And Horace should be given a copy of the letter. (Mr. Somes was given a copy of the letter) I am concerned with the potential of litigation. We should pursue this as soon as possible to learn what happened.

Horace Somes – The new Flood Damage Ordinance needs to be amended. It says that residents go to the Construction Official; previously it was the Engineer.
I've talked with the Construction Official and he can't do it.

Mayor Lewis – We will have to look into this.

Solicitor Coleman – The ordinance was drafted by the DEP.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Please state your name & address for the record)

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting for Public Comments.

Barbara Somes – I have had numerous complaints on the Pacemaker property concerning the noise and it hasn't been so bad the past two years.

Committeeman Cavileer – You can hear it, at my house. But it hasn't been too bad lately.

Deputy Mayor James – It is within the noise ordinance, and it's not in the middle of the night. It is not a commercial use and just for their own use, we can't do anything.

Bill Ward – It is not a commercial use piece of property; I know that as a fact and never was used as a commercial use.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Deputy Mayor James, seconded by Committeeman Cavileer to adjourn at 11:10 AM..

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,
Karen A. Bacon, RMC, Deputy Township Clerk