

**BOROUGH OF LAVALLETTE(minutes)
REORGANIZATION MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
LAVALLETTE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
Wednesday, January 2, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: Councilwoman Anita F. Zalom, Presiding

MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT:

Notice of this meeting complies with the Open Public Meetings Act. Public Notice was given to the Asbury Park Press, and was published in the Ocean Star on January 12, 2018. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and the Municipal Website.

INVOCATION: Reverend Todd Condell, Union Church of Lavallette

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Councilman Finter led us in the Salute to the Flag.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE:

Walter G. LaCicero as Mayor will take his Oath of Office, which will be administered by Eric M. Bernstein, Esq. Four (4) year term of office from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022. Holding the bible will be his wife Joanne.

Joanne Filippone as Councilwoman will take her Oath of Office, which will be administered by Marlene Chamberlain, Esq. Three (3) year term of office from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. Holding the Bible will be Rosealine Rocco.

James G. Borowski as Councilman will take his Oath of Office, which will be administered by his brother John Borowski, Esq. Three (3) year term of office from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. Holding the Bible for him will be his wife, Andrea and his children.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Walter G. LaCicero, Presiding

ROLL CALL:
Councilwoman Anita F. Zalom
Councilman Robert P. Lamb
Councilwoman Joanne Filippone
Councilman James G. Borowski
Councilman Michael Stogdill
Councilman David Finter

Also Present:
Donnelly Amico, Municipal Clerk
Eric M. Bernstein, Borough Attorney
Robert Brice, Borough Administrator

Mayor LaCicero stated that he would like to have a moment of silence for some longtime residents who have passed away recently. Lillian Buirkle from Baltimore Avenue passed away this weekend. She was a long time member of the Lavallette First Aid and is the longtime companion of Joe Palinsky. Hugo Casatelli from West Point Island passed away over the weekend as well. Ida Ozol who had a summer home on Bond Avenue but passed away at her home up North and Louise Cerami, from Kerr Avenue and the Ocean Front who passed away in December. Louise was the wife of Charlie Cerami who owned the Starlight Hotel and owned the Candlelight Inn before it was reconstructed to condos. They will all be missed.

MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE: Mayor LaCicero stated that it has been and will continue to be an honor to serve another 4-year term as Mayor. Overall, 2018 was a pretty good year for us. We hired a new Borough Administrator who is doing a great job. We hired a new Tax Assessor who has been working very hard with getting all the assessments on the books of all the new homes constructed. She is working many hours in connection with the reval that will be done soon. We renovated our bocce courts as well as a new playground that was donated by "Where Angels Play" in memory of Tom Tevlin's grandson. We completed several more road improvements to our roads. We also terminated our shared services with Seaside Park Construction as of December 31, 2018. It was definitely not worth all our effort in trying to make it work especially since we didn't really make much of a savings. We managed to keep the tax rate flat for 2018. We closed out the lifeguard project worksheet with FEMA with the Borough only paying out \$35,000 which was a big savings for us. We are still waiting on the answer with the municipal building but now are a little more hopeful than before. We were given the 2nd best beach on the Jersey Shore and the 5th best beach in the State of New Jersey which is not bad. As of now, the 2019 schedule for the replenishment project is that they will be bringing in their equipment to start in the middle of this month. We will be doing a reval very soon but not because we want to but we have been told by the State that we have no choice. Verizon will be having a public forum for the residents sometime this month so we will send out notice on our website when this will occur. We will be doing another public access project and the dredging under the WPI Bridge will hopefully be done for this year. The drainage project on President and Bay Blvd. will hopefully be done this year by the County. We are looking forward to another great year and hope it goes as smooth as last year.

Councilwoman Filippone wished everyone a Happy New Year! This is her 5th term and she remains very humble for another opportunity to serve you. There are a lot of issues that need to be dealt with in the State that will affect the Borough, such as marijuana legalization, sanctuary state and the increase in minimum wage. We will work hard to do what is best for our Borough and our residents. She thanks the residents for allowing her to lead them for another three years.

ELECTION OF BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2019:

Mayor LaCicero stated that he thinks Anita has been doing a good job as Council President so he feels she can do another year.

Councilwoman Anita F. Zalom

A Motion to elect Councilwoman Anita Zalom as Council President for 2019 was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Council President thanked Mayor and Council for the confidence and very thankful for this appointment for another year.

2019 BOROUGH APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR: (not requiring Council approval)

Planning Board / Board of Adjustment

<u>Term</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Appointee</u>
1 Year	Class I Member	Walter LaCicero
1 Year	Class II Member	Robert Brice
1 Year	Class III Member	Joanne Filippone
1 Year	Class I Member-Mayor's Designee	Richard C. Emery
4 Year	Class IV Member	Anthony Cataline
4 Year	Class IV Member	Vincent Marino
2 Year (Unexpired Term)	Alternate Member #1	John Borowski
2 Year	Alternate Member #2	Thomas Restaino

Municipal Alliance Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

One Year Term

Chief of Police	Colin Grant
President of the School Board	
Superintendent of Schools	Dr. Peter Morris
Student Assistant Coordinator	Pam Caucino
Representative of Local Bargaining Unit for Teachers	Jill Lorenz
Representative of Chamber Of Commerce	Mark Speaker
Representative of Court System	Elizabeth Boettger
Representative of Organized Union	Ptl Ryan Greenhalgh

Representative of a Civic Assoc.
Representative of Local Religious Group

Patricia Marrone
Pastor John Collins

Additional Members:

Leonard/Georgia Calderaro
June Schneider
Harriet Sheridan
Rosalie Dolinaj
Dr. James Enright
Robert Agliata
Patricia Hoffman
Audrey Zylinski
Pat Marrone

Harry/Nancy Dews
Ernie/Gail Stefanelli
Nick Zaccaria
Jane Garber
Bruno/Joyce Hornung
Nick Zaccaria

2019 COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Committee Assignments of Borough Council

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-01)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Council President Zalom. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

2019 BOROUGH APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR: – (requiring advice and consent of Council)

Borough Attorney - Eric M. Bernstein & Associates

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-02)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Borowski. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Borough Auditor - Robert S. Oliwa / Oliwa & Company

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-03)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Borough Prosecutor - Bonnie Peterson, Esquire

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-04)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Stogdill. The Motion was Seconded by Councilwoman Filippone. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Borough Engineer- O'Donnell, Stanton & Associates

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-05)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Borowski. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Borough Consulting Engineer- Najarian Associates

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-06)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Stogdill. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Various Professional Appointments -

Bond Counsel-Capehart, Scatchard, Attorneys at Law
Conflict/Alternate Prosecutor –David Casadante, Esq.
Public Defender - Margarie Herlihy, Esq.
Special Hearing Officer-Christopher Reid, Esq.
Conflict/Alternate Public Defender-Anthony Pagano, Esq.

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-07)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Lamb. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Various Advisory Committees-

Mayor and Council Advisory Committee:

Anthony Gallo, Chairman

CDBG / Tourism / Grants Committee:

Anita Zalom, Liaison

Elaine Schardien
Joseph Palinsky
Patricia Hoffman

Municipal Utility Advisory Committee:

Dave Finter, Liaison
Al DeBenedictis
Bill Zylinski

James Borowski, Liaison
Dave Brown
Joseph Palinsky

Ordinance Committee:

David Finter, Liaison
Sheila Sharkey
Martin Morales
Audrey Zylinski
Barbara Brown

Joanne Filippone, Liaison
Patricia Marrone
Theresa Coleman
Nicholas Zaccaria
Georgia Calderaro

Recreation Advisory Committee:

Anita Zalom, Liaison
Leonard Calderaro
Georgia Calderaro
Chief Colin Grant
Theresa Coleman
Joyce Hornung
Rosalie Dolinaj
Audrey Zylinski

Michael Stogdill, Liaison
Patricia Hoffman
Bart Coleman
Sgt. Adam LaCicero
Harriet Sheridan
Bruno Hornung
Patricia Marrone
Dr. Jim Enright

Beautification Committee:

Anita Zalom, Liaison
Patricia Marrone
Theresa Coleman
Julie Henry
Rich Traverso
Joyce Hornung

Joanne Filippone, Liaison
Arlene Maglionico
Bruno Hornung
Carol Traverso
Anne Schneider

Environmental Protection Advisory Committee:

Anita Zalom, Liaison
Mark Speaker, Chairman
Patricia Hoffman
Barbara Susinno

Dave Finter, Liaison
Donna Franzoso
Mark Fertakos

Goose Patrol Committee:

Joanne LaCicero, President
Susan Kotch
Corless Royer

Memorabilia Advisory Committee:

Joanne Filippone, Chairperson
Anita F. Zalom
Patricia Marrone
Mary Jo Austin
Brian Bovasso
Harry Dews

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-08)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Finter. The Motion was Seconded by Councilwoman Filippone. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Animal Control Officer - Michael Maguire

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-09)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Lamb. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

Mr. Bernstein requested that Resolutions 2019-13, 27, 28 43 and 51 be pulled off of consent agenda and put off consent for the vote.

RESOLUTIONS – ON CONSENT:

- 2019-10 Designating Official Newspapers
- 2019-11 Authorizing officials to sign checks, disbursement funds, checks and drafts
- 2019-12 Appointing an Internal Affairs Officer to the Lavallette Police Department
- 2019-13 Establishing 2019 Petty Cash Funds-put off consent.
- 2019-14 Designating Official Depositories
- 2019-15 Adoption of Rules for the Mayor and Council

- 2019-16 Fixing rate of interest to be charged on delinquent taxes or assessments
- 2019-17 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to make certain timely payments for specific monetary obligations
- 2019-18 Establishing calendar of 2019 Council Meetings
- 2019-19 Establishing the allocation of salaries of certain employees within the Borough
- 2019-20 Authorizing the application to obtain a Tourism Grant from the County of Ocean in the amount of \$3,000.00
- 2019-21 Temporary Budget
- 2019-22 Reaffirming Cash Management Plan
- 2019-23 Adopting federal guidelines for mileage reimbursement for Public Officials
- 2019-24 Authorizing participation in the State of NJ Cooperative Purchasing Program
- 2019-25 Approving appointment of Robert Brice as Ocean County JIF/MEL Fund-Fund Commissioner and Donnelly Amico as Alternate Fund Commissioner
- 2019-26 Establishing the allocation of the funds received from the State drunk driving enforcement fund and authorizing Mayor Walter LaCicero to sign the quarterly DWI reports
- 2019-27 Establishing Change Funds-put off consent
- 2019-28 Endorsing submission of year 2019 Recycling Tonnage Grant Application-put off consent
- 2019-29 Authorizing Software Contract – Edmunds & Associates \$9,929.00
- 2019-30 Authorization to approve seasonal appointments prior to meeting confirmation
- 2019-31 Designating Public Agency Compliance Officer in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.5 – Borough Administrator
- 2019-32 Authorizing the Tax Assessor to act as agent for Lavallette and File Appeals for tax year 2019
- 2019-33 Approving contract for C-2 license-Theodore J. Golubowski
- 2019-34 Approving contract for T-2 and W-2 licenses-Charles Farrah

- 2019-35 Approving appointment of Public Power Association of New Jersey Representatives: Councilman James G. Borowski – Representative / Dave Finter - Alternate
- 2019-36 Approving appointment of Emergency Management Team for 2019
- 2019-37 Approving appointment of members to the Lavallette Emergency Planning Committee
- 2019-38 Approving appointments within the Lavallette Police Department for 2019: Special Police, Class I & II, Crossing Guards, Part-time Dispatchers, and Matrons
- 2019-39 Approving appointments of ADA Coordinator – Councilmember Anita F. Zalom, Deputy ADA Coordinator - Elaine Schardien, and members to the Lavallette Community Partners for People with Disabilities for 2019
- 2019-40 Approving appointment of Theodore J. Golubowski as Lavallette Safety Coordinator
- 2019-41 Appointing Meridian Occupational Health, P.C. as Municipal Physician Practice for the Borough of Lavallette
- 2019-42 Authorizing Mayor Walter G. LaCicero to execute an agreement with Commerce Risk Control Services and Dynamic Testing Services to provide services relating to an Alcohol and substance program for CDL drivers
- 2019-43 Appointing Lori Stogdill as the 2019 Right to Know Coordinator-put off consent
- 2019-44 Appointing Kathy Mango as the Municipal Alliance Coordinator for the year 2019 at an Annual salary of \$10,500
- 2019-45 Appointing Theodore Golubowski as Clean Communities Coordinator for the Borough Clean Communities Coordinator
- 2019-46 Authorizing execution of Schedule “C” Agreement with the County of Ocean for year 2019
- 2019-47 Authorizing the appointment of Phoenix Advisors for the continuing disclosure agent services and independent registered municipal advisor for the year 2019
- 2019-48 Approving the Ocean County Animal Facilities Fee Schedule for 2019
- 2019-49 Designating the hours’ bicycles are permitted on the boardwalk during the 2019 “Bathing Season”
- 2019-50 Appointing Barbara McAteer as the part-time Deputy Court Administrator and the part-time Municipal Court Recorder
- 2019-51 Establishing annual salaries for non-contractual employees-put off consent

- 2019-52 Authorizing Mayor LaCicero to sign and execute the 2019/2020 Municipal Alliance Grant
- 2019-53 authorizing the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the 2019 Cultural Arts Grant Agreement with the Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission in the amount of \$1,250.00

A Motion to approve the consent agenda with the exception of the resolutions that were pulled for off consent was made by Councilman Finter. The Motion was Seconded by Councilwoman Filippone.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on the consent agenda.

Clem Boyers, 20 Kerr Avenue questioned Resolution 2019-26 regarding the DWI State enforcement fund and how much does the Borough actually receive?

Mayor LaCicero stated that it doesn't come out too much and is based on a percentage for each town's DWI arrests.

No one else wished to comment. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

RESOLUTIONS-OFF CONSENT

- 2019-13 Establishing 2019 Petty Cash Funds

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Borowski. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Lamb.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on this resolution.

No one wished to comment on this resolution. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Stogdill abstained. The Motion Passed.

- 2019-27 Establishing Change Funds

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Borowski.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on this resolution.

No one wished to comment on this resolution. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Stogdill abstained. The Motion Passed.

2019-28 Endorsing submission of year 2019 Recycling Tonnage Grant Application

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Borowski. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on this resolution.

No one wished to comment on this resolution. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Stogdill abstained. The Motion Passed.

2019-43 Appointing Lori Stogdill as the 2019 Right to Know Coordinator

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Finter. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Borowski.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on this resolution.

No one wished to comment on this resolution. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Stogdill abstained. The Motion Passed.

2019-51 Establishing annual salaries for non-contractual employees

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Finter. The Motion was Seconded by Councilwoman Filippone.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on this resolution.

No one wished to comment on this resolution. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Finter and Lamb voted yes. The Motion Passed.

2018 BILLS LIST:

2019-54 Bills List in the amount of \$225,093.94

A Motion to approve the 2018 bills list was made by Councilman Borowski. The Motion was Seconded By Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

2019 BILLS LIST:

2019-55 Bills List in the amount of \$1,037,481.37

A Motion to approve the 2019 bills list was made by Councilman Stogdill. The Motion was Seconded Councilman Finter. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb Voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT- 1st Municipal Public Hearing for CDBG Grant for 2019

Council President Zalom stated every two years the Borough can apply for the CDBG grant through The County and then they receive the funds through HUD. We applied in 2017 and received a grant Which helped pay the costs towards the Trenton Avenue handicap walkover and to make the Administration doors downstairs handicap accessible. This year we will be applying for the grant for The purchase of benches to place on all the platform areas attached to the walkovers.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that our badge checkers will have to sit beyond the seating area to check For the badges.

Mayor LaCicero stated that once the project is complete and we see how all the walkovers are laid out, We will figure all that out.

The Mayor opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to comment on this project.

Marlene Chamberlain, 26 Bond Avenue questioned if people will be able to purchase plaques for these To memorialize deceased loved ones?

Councilwoman Filippone stated that we have discussed doing the plaques but we first want to get the Benches and then we will get into the plaques.

Rose Rocco, 244 Westmont Avenue, questioned how many beach wheelchairs we have available?

Mayor LaCicero stated that we have a total of 6 wheelchairs that are available all year round.

Chris Chamberlain, 26 Bond Avenue questioned if all the walkovers will be ADA compliant?

Mayor LaCicero stated that only 4 of the walkovers will be ADA compliant.

Mr. Chamberlain questioned why all the benches would have to be ADA compliant and not just the 4?

Mayor LaCicero stated that with this grant it is required that when applying that the project will be ADA Including any products.

No one else wished to comment. The Mayor closed the public hearing. He stated that two public Hearings are required for this grant. The next public hearing will be at the next meeting on January 22, 2019.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

No one wished to comment.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Borowski stated that he is honored to be serving another term as Councilman. This will be his 16th year with a little break in between. He looks forward to another 3 years of serving the residents of the Borough.

Council President Zalom stated that the nutrition project will be coming back this year to the Firehouse. Also, the Municipal Alliance will be bringing back senior lunch and movie at the firehouse this year as well. We had a wonderful Lavallette Birthday Party last month.

Councilman Lamb welcomed back the Mayor and Council Members Filippone and Borowski for another term.

Councilman Finter congratulated the Mayor and Council Members.

Mr. Brice stated that Verizon has come up with a date for their public forum for our residents to sit down with them and get their questions answered. It will be on Thursday, January 24th from 5pm to 7pm and will be held at the Lavallette Elementary School. It will be a group panel and presentation and they will have enough representatives available that will be able to answer all questions.

Council President Zalom stated that the Hunter Mountain ski bus trip will be on January 26th for skiing and tubing so get your tickets.

Mayor LaCicero stated that this beach replenishment project is a large scale project and we will need to stay on top of them. If there are any issues, we can promise you we will take care of them right away.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion to adjourn the Reorg Meeting was made by Councilman Lamb. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter. Vote: All of Council was in favor. The Motion Passed.

The Reorg Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, Donnelly Amico, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Lavallette, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, does hereby attest these to be a true copy of the minutes of the Reorganization meeting held on the 2nd day of **January 2019**


Donnelly Amico
Municipal Clerk