

**BOROUGH OF LAVALLETTE(minutes)
REORGANIZATION MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
LAVALLETTE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
Monday, January 6, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Walter G. LaCicero, 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 4, 2019. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and the Municipal Website.

INVOCATION: Reverend Todd Condell, Union Church of Lavallette

Reverend Condell read from the bible and said a prayer for the new year.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Mayor LaCicero asked for a moment of silence for long-time resident Irene Kelly, who passed away recently. Mrs. Kelly was a member of the Planning Board and was the owner of the Tradewinds and the Colonial Bakery. Her son, Paul owns Sea Bay Sunoco. Both her children live in town as well as a number of grandchildren.

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

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE:

Robert P. Lamb as Councilman will take his Oath of Office, which will be administered by his son Justin D. Lamb, Esq. Three (3) year term of office from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022. Holding the bible will be his wife Karen and his children.

Michael Stogdill as Councilman will take his Oath of Office, which will be administered by Mayor Walter G. LaCicero, Esq. Three (3) year term of office from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022. Holding the Bible will be his wife Lori and son Craig.

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
 Phil George, Borough Attorney
 Robert Brice, Borough Administrator

MAYOR’S ANNUAL MESSAGE:

The Mayor thanked everyone for coming out to tonight’s reorganization meeting. Last year was a fairly good year for the Borough once again. We did some road improvements to Bryn Mawr, Philadelphia and some work on Jersey City Avenue and we secured another grant for this year for improvements to New York Avenue. The beach dune replenishment project was finally completed and we secured a grant for benches to be installed in the seating area of each crossover. We were able to rehab the water treatment filtration system and have so far completed phase II of III of the town wide electric meter replacement. We were able to do some DPW facility upgrades and installed new surveillance equipment where needed. We have a number of projects that are still ongoing right now including the bulkhead and boat ramp replacement, the dredging of the WPI Channel and redevelop and rebuilding of Well #4. He is very pleased with all that has been accomplished so far and hopes to keep the projects going for this year.

ELECTION OF BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2020:

Councilwoman Anita F. Zalom

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

2020 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/Mayor’s Designee	
1 Year	Class II Member	Robert Brice
1 Year	Class III Member	Joanne Filippone
4 Year	Class IV Member	Joseph Palinsky
4 Year (Unexpired Term) Through 12/31/2020	Class IV Member	Thomas Restaino
2 Year	Alternate Member #1	Richard Emery

2020 BOROUGH APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR: – (requiring advice and consent of Council)

Borough Attorney - Eric M. Bernstein & Associates

By Borough Council (Resolution 2020-02)

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.

Borough Auditor - Robert S. Oliwa / Oliwa & Company

By Borough Council (Resolution 2020-03)

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 2020-04)

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.

Borough Consulting Engineer- Najarian Associates

By Borough Council (Resolution 2019-05)

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

Various Professional Appointments -

Bond Counsel-Malamut & Associates
Conflict/Alternate Prosecutor –David Casadonte, Esq.
Public Defender - Margarie Herlihy, Esq.
Special Hearing Officer-Christopher Reid, Esq.
Conflict/Alternate Public Defender-Anthony Pagano, Esq.

By Borough Council (Resolution 2020-06)

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Lamb. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter. 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	James Borowski, Liaison
Al DeBenedictis	Joseph Palinsky
Glen Mazzarano	

Ordinance Committee:

Joanne Filippone, Liaison	David Finter, Liaison
Sheila Sharkey	Patricia Marrone
Martin Morales	Theresa Coleman
Audrey Zylinski	Nicholas Zaccaria
Mark Speaker	Georgia Calderaro

Recreation Advisory Committee:

Anita Zalom, Liaison	Michael Stogdill, Liaison
Leonard Calderaro	Patricia Hoffman
Georgia Calderaro	Bart Coleman
Chief Colin Grant	Sgt. Adam LaCicero
Theresa Coleman	Harriet Sheridan
Joyce Hornung	Bruno Hornung
Rosalie Dolinaj	Patricia Marrone
Audrey Zylinski	Dr. Jim Enright

Beautification Committee:

Anita Zalom, Liaison	Joanne Filippone, Liaison
Patricia Marrone	Arlene Maglionico

Theresa Coleman
Julie Henry
Rich Traverso
Joyce Hornung

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
Gary Norman
Glenn Mazzarano

Memorabilia Advisory Committee:

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

Business & Tourism Committee

Mark Speaker, Chairman

By Borough Council (Resolution 2020-07)

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

Animal Control Officer - Michael Maguire

By Borough Council (Resolution 2020-08)

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

RESOLUTIONS – ON CONSENT:

- 2020-09 Authorizing execution of Schedule “C” Agreement with the County of Ocean for year 2020
- 2020-10 Designating Official Newspapers
- 2020-11 Authorizing officials to sign checks, disbursement funds, checks and drafts
- 2020-12 Appointing an Internal Affairs Officer to the Lavallette Police Department
- 2020-13 Establishing 2020 Petty Cash Funds
- 2020-14 Designating Official Depositories
- 2020-15 Adoption of Rules for the Mayor and Council
- 2020-16 Fixing rate of interest to be charged on delinquent taxes or assessments
- 2020-17 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to make certain timely payments for specific monetary obligations
- 2020-18 Establishing calendar of 2020 Council Meetings
- 2020-19 Establishing the allocation of salaries of certain employees within the Borough
- 2020-20 Authorizing the application to obtain a Tourism Grant from the County of Ocean in the amount of \$3,000.00
- 2020-21 Temporary Budget
- 2020-22 Reaffirming Cash Management Plan
- 2020-23 Adopting federal guidelines for mileage reimbursement for Public Officials
- 2020-24 Authorizing participation in the State of NJ Cooperative Purchasing Program
- 2020-25 Approving appointment of Robert Brice as Ocean County JIF/MEL Fund-Fund Commissioner and Donnelly Amico as Alternate Fund Commissioner
- 2020-26 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
- 2020-27 Establishing Change Funds

- 2020-28 Endorsing submission of year 2020 Recycling Tonnage Grant Application
- 2020-29 Authorizing Software Contract – Edmunds & Associates \$10,930.00
- 2020-30 Authorization to approve seasonal appointments prior to meeting confirmation
- 2020-31 Designating Public Agency Compliance Officer in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.5 – Borough Administrator
- 2020-32 Authorizing the Tax Assessor to act as agent for Lavallette and File Appeals for tax year 2020
- 2020-33 Approving contract for C-2 license-Theodore J. Golubowski
- 2020-34 Approving contract for T-2 and W-2 licenses-Charles Farrah
- 2020-35 Approving appointment of Public Power Association of New Jersey Representatives: Councilman James G. Borowski – Representative / Dave Finter - Alternate
- 2020-36 Approving appointment of Emergency Management Team for 2020
- 2020-37 Approving appointment of members to the Lavallette Emergency Planning Committee
- 2020-38 Approving appointments within the Lavallette Police Department for 2020: Special Police, Class I & II, Crossing Guards, Part-time Dispatchers, and Matrons
- 2020-39 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 2020
- 2020-40 Approving appointment of Theodore J. Golubowski as Lavallette Safety Coordinator
- 2020-41 Appointing Meridian Occupational Health, P.C. as Municipal Physician Practice for the Borough of Lavallette
- 2020-42 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
- 2020-43 Appointing Lori Stogdill as the 2020 Right to Know Coordinator-Councilman Stogdill requested this be put off consent.
- 2020-44 Appointing Kathy Mango as the Municipal Alliance Coordinator for the year 2020 at an Annual salary of \$10,500
- 2020-45 Appointing Theodore Golubowski as Clean Communities Coordinator for the Borough Clean Communities Coordinator

- 2020-46 Appointing Barbara McAteer as the part-time Deputy Court Administrator and the part-time Municipal Court Recorder
- 2020-47 Authorizing the appointment of Phoenix Advisors for the continuing disclosure agent services and independent registered municipal advisor for the year 2020
- 2020-48 Approving the Ocean County Animal Facilities Fee Schedule for 2020
- 2020-49 Designating the hours' bicycles are permitted on the boardwalk during the 2020 "Bathing Season"
- 2020-50 Establishing annual salaries for non-contractual employees for 2020- Councilman Stogdill requested this be put off consent.
- 2020-51 authorizing the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the 2020 Cultural Arts Grant Agreement with the Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission in the amount of \$500.00
- 2020-52 authorizing the redemption of a tax sale certificate #17-00002 in the amount of \$5,700.20

Public Comment on Consent Agenda

A Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Lamb.

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

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

Vote: Council Members Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted yes. Councilman Borowski Abstained on Resolution 2019-35 and voted yes to all others. The Motion Passed.

RESOLUTIONS OFF CONSENT:

- 2020-43 Appointing Lori Stogdill as the 2020 Right to Know Coordinator

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Lamb. 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. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on this resolution.

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

2020-50 Establishing annual salaries for non-contractual employees for 2020

A Motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Lamb. 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. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on this resolution.

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

2019 BILLS LIST:

2020-53 Bills List in the amount of \$231,644.33

A Motion to approve the 2019 bills list was made by Councilman Borowski. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Stogdill Abstained on PO #19-01181 and yes to all others. The Motion Passed.

2020 BILLS LIST:

2020-54 Bills List in the amount of \$1,083,796.08

A Motion to approve the 2020 bills list was made by Councilman Lamb. The Motion was Seconded By Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted yes. The Motion Passed.

ORDINANCE ON FOR FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance No. 2020-01 (1201) AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAVALLETTE ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND WAGES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF LAVALLETTE, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Mr. Brice stated that this ordinance is done every 3 years. There were some titles that needed to be deleted, some changes to the minimum hourly rates due to the minimum wage increase and some small changes to the salary ranges.

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

Public Hearing and Final Adoption is scheduled for January 21, 2020.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that she will be proposing a 3-year salary increase for the Mayor and Council within in the next few months. She has researched other towns and what their elected officials are getting and will make sure the increase is within range of those towns.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Marlene Chamberlin, 26 Bond Avenue congratulated Council Members Lamb and Stogdill and wished everyone a happy new year. She stated that she received a lot of documents through her opra request regarding 103 Magee Avenue and was surprised to see the town settling the case with the agreement without considering the motion to intervene that was done by Michele Donato, Esq. There was a letter from Mr. George to the Court clearly stating that the case was now settled with the signed agreement but that is not what was stated at the last meeting. She believes this whole settlement agreement was done illegal or not within the scope of the matter and is very disappointed that the town did not go forward with the case instead of settling.

Clem Boyers, 20 Kerr Avenue questioned if we still had ownership of the liquor license from Capriccio's.

Mr. George stated that the Borough denied the license renewal that is owned by Sherman Hospitality. So right now, they have appealed the denial. The State's action from last year to suspend and revoke is still pending as well.

Mr. Brice stated that the tenant of that building that is owned by Kim Pascarella has been evicted. Now that Capriccio's is out of the picture, maybe they can now work something out that is agreeable to everyone.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Borowski wished everyone a happy and healthy new year.

Councilwoman Filippone congratulated Council Members Lamb and Stogdill and wished everyone a happy new year.

Council President Zalom stated the bus trip to Wyndham Mountain for skiing and tubing will be on January 28th. She congratulated Council Members Lamb and Stogdill and wished everyone a happy new year.

Councilman Finter wished everyone a happy new year and asked for prayers for our military.

Councilman Stogdill stated that it is truly an honor and privilege to serve as Councilman for another term.

He stated that he needed to be excused for the January 21st Council meeting.

A Motion was made by Councilman Lamb to excuse Councilman Stogdill from the January 21st Council Meeting. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter. Vote: All of Council was in favor. The Motion Passed.

Mr. Brice stated that the gas company will be completing their phase 3 of some upgrades of their gas lines on a number of the streets. They will be coordinating with our Borough Engineer through the process.

Mayor LaCicero stated that he is proud to serve with such a great group. We have a great Borough Administrator as well and he is looking forward to the new year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session.

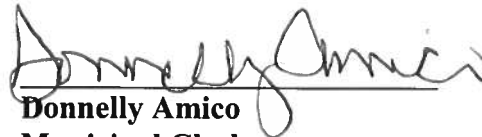
ADJOURNMENT

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

The Reorganization Meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.

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 6th day of **January 2020**.


Donnelly Amico
Municipal Clerk