

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH  
ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING  
January 5, 2022**

The Annual Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach took place on January 5, 2022 at 7:30 pm in the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave. Mayor Cuneo called the meeting to order and read the **STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE “OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT” P.L 1975 CHAPTER 231, notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press and The Star-Ledger and posted on the bulletin board of the Pine Beach Municipal Building and Pine Beach Post Office and electronically through the ZOOM address listed on the Pine Beach Website. This statement shall become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

Councilman Barry Wieck led those assembled in the Salute to the Flag.

Mayor requested a moment of silence to remember recently deceased residents Mary Kasprzak, Kathryn Crosby and the Holland Family

**SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Mayor Cuneo called the newly elected councilmen forward and swore them in as their wives held the bible:

**James Saxton, term 1/1/2022 through 12/31/2024**

**James Keesling, term 1/1/2022 through 12/31/2024**

The councilmen returned to their seats and the Mayor called for a roll call:

Present: Mr. Keesling, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton, Mr. Wieck  
Absent: Mrs. Coletti

Mayor Cuneo called for the council Nomination of Council President and Mr. Saxton nominated Mr. Wieck and Mr. Newman seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, and the Mayor closed the nominations and congratulated Council President Wieck.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Approval of the minutes of the December 8, 2021 Regular Meeting was made by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Wieck.

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

The Mayor called for a vote, 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 1 Abstain (Mr. Keesling) 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

Approval of the minutes of the Work Meeting of December 6, 2021 both open and closed was offered by Mr. Wieck and seconded by Mr. Saxton

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

The Mayor called for a vote, 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 1 Abstain (Mr. Keesling) 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

Approval of the minutes of the Work Meeting December 20, 2021 was by motion of Mr. Saxton and Mr. Wieck provided a second.

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

The Mayor called for a vote, 3 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 2 Abstain (Mr. Keesling and Mr. Polhemus) 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

With the Permission of Council Mayor Cuneo presents the following resolutions as a matter of consent: Resolutions 2022-02 through 2022-08

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Resolution 2022-02, Naming official Depositories

Resolution 2022-03, Naming the Mayor, Municipal Clerk, Council President and Chief Financial Officer to sign checks

Resolution 2022-04, Naming the Asbury Park Press and The Star-Ledger as official newspapers

Resolution 2022-05, Regular Council and Work Meeting Dates

Resolution 2022-06, Tax Assessor named as agent for taxing district

Resolution 2022-07, Tax Collection Rate of Interest

Resolution 2022-08, Authorizing Chief Financial Officer to issue petty cash checks

Mr. Saxton made a motion to approve the consent agenda which was seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

There were no questions or comments from the council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Keesling, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton, Mr. Wieck  
Absent, Mrs. Coletti

#### **RESOLUTIONS WITH RECORDED VOTE:**

Resolution 2022-01, Professional Appointments

1A: Municipal Attorney, Michael McKenna of Hiering, Gannon and McKenna

1B: Municipal Auditor, Warren Korecky, of Suplee, Clooney & Co.

1C: Municipal Engineer, Mark Rohmeyer of T & M Associates

1D: Public Defender, Justin Shearer

1E: Bond Counsel, McManimon, Scotland, & Baumann

1F: Municipal Prosecutor, Steven A. Zabarsky, Barry Stieber and Brian K. Wilkie of Citta, Holzapfel & Zabarsky

1G: Alternate Prosecutor, Bonnie Peterson  
1H: Professional Planner Mark Rohmeyer of T & M Associates  
1 I Affordable Housing/COAH Attorney, Michael Jedziniak

Mr. Polhemus made a motion to approve the professional appointments as listed and Mr. Wieck seconded.

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Keesling, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton, Mr. Wieck  
Absent: Mrs. Coletti

Resolution 2022-09, Temporary Operating Budget was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and Mr. Polhemus provided the second.

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Keesling, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton, Mr. Wieck  
Absent, Mrs. Coletti

Resolution 2022-10, Appointments by Mayor

Deputy Municipal Clerk	Hannah L. Jacobus
Utility Superintendent	Michael Sedlak
Court Administrator	Lesley Kirchgessner
Public Agency Compliance	
Affirmative Action	Charlene Carney
Adult School Crossing Guards	Lynn Bressman
Public Works Supervisor	Joseph Albano (effective 12/21/2021)
Zoning Officer	Michael Sedlak
	Gary Stocco

A motion to approve the Mayor's appointments was made by Mr. Wieck and seconded by Mr. Newman.

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Keesling, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton, Mr. Wieck  
Absent, Mrs. Coletti

Resolution 2022-11, Authorizing CMFO to issue checks for landfill and post office was approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and a second by Mr. Newman.

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

The Mayor called for a vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

Resolution 2022-12, Authorizing Mayor Cuneo to sign a water interconnection agreement with Beachwood Borough was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and Mr. Polhemus provided the second.

There were no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

The Mayor called for a vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

Resolution 2022-13, Naming Richard Polhemus as Community Development Block Grant representative and Charlene Carney as alternate was approved following a motion by Mr. Saxton and seconded by Mr. Wieck.

Mr. Saxton thanked Mr. Polhemus for his work in getting the grants.

There were no other questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

The Mayor called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 1 Abstain (Mr. Polhemus), 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

Resolution 2022-14, Authorizing the tax collector to place a lien on property located on Block 23 Lot 10 was approved following a motion by Mr. Saxton and seconded by Mr. Wieck.

Mr. Saxton thanked the council for being instrumental in getting this project completed. This will recoup the Borough for the out of pocket expenses connected with the property cleanup.

There were no other questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

The Mayor called for a vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

**THE MAYOR ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS TO LAND USE BOARD**

Class II Employee	Patricia Wnek	Term 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022
Class IV	Christine Lill	Term 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2025
		Term 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2025

The Mayor announced that there are appointments open on the Land Use Board and to let him know of someone who is interested in serving on the board.

**THE COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENT TO LAND USE BOARD:**

Class III Council member	James Keesling	Term 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022
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The Mayor mentioned that Mr. Keesling has previously served on the Land Use Board as a Class IV representative.

**MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:**

Julius Raichle	Term 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2024
Richard Ingenito	Term 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2024

Environmental Commission Liaison: Mrs. Colette has filled this position for many years and it will remain open at this time.

**COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:**

Alternate	1-one year term
	1-two year term

**THE MAYOR ANNOUNCED THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT**

There is funding available through the Community Development Block Grant program. Citizens and agencies/organizations are invited to comment on the housing and community developments of the Borough of Pine Beach and to obtain a project application. All project applications must be returned to the Borough of Pine Beach by January 20, 2022 at 1:00 PM.

The Second public hearing will be held January 24, 2022 and the applications will be prioritized at that time.

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mr. Polhemus wished all a Happy New Year. He congratulated Mr. Saxton and Mr. Keesling for their election to council. We will do amazing things together. We will have a new face and new energy on Council.

He wished Mrs. Coletti a speedy recovery.

Concerning the Community Development Block Grant, the Borough has worked on rehabilitating homes for income eligible individuals, and this year would like to replace the bike/walking path to the school and perhaps add lighting.

Mr. Saxton wished Mrs. Coletti a speedy recovery. He looks forward to working with Mr. Keesling. It is a pleasure to serve on council and he appreciates the residents' confidence in him to reelect him.

Mr. Newman has Mrs. Coletti's health in his thoughts and prayers. He welcomed Mr. Keesling aboard the Council and welcomed Mr. Saxton back on council. He feels we will work together to make Pine Beach a better place to live.

Mr. Keesling thanked all for the warm welcome and he is looking forward to working with the Mayor and Council.

Council President Wieck joined in congratulating Mr. Saxton and Mr. Keesling. He commented that Mr. Saxton has gotten a lot of work done.

He understands that Mrs. Coletti is on her way to recovery

Council Assignments will be discussed at the work meeting January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Wieck commented that the Council members work well together. He thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and being part of the community and wished all a great year.

#### MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo wished all a Happy New Jersey. He welcomed back Mr. Saxton and added that he has grown with experience. He has been a hard worker and dedicated Councilmember.

The Mayor further welcomed Mr. Keesling, and commented that working for the public is different than the private sector and he recommended that Mr. Keesling speak to seasoned council members when he has a question.

Mayor Cuneo spoke with Mr. Budesha January 1. It was a friendly and emotional call for both. He thanked Mr. Budesha for his guidance and service to town.

The Land Use Board has openings, one long time member is not coming back and another is moving. He is looking for people willing to give back to the town.

His thoughts and prayers are with the Coletti family during this difficult time.

Regarding local sports, schedules are changing due to the COVID outbreak. He urged all to support the local kids as they try hard to represent their schools.

The Mayor wished all a healthy and happy New Year, and called for any other comments or questions. There were none, and the meeting was adjourned following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and Mr. Newman provided a second. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

