# MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON JANUARY 4, 2022 ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

**OPENING:** Mayor Thomas Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT:** Mayor Weaver read the following statement, "This meeting has been properly advertised and posted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, the Open Public Meetings Act. This meeting has been posted on the website and advertised to the Courier Post and Central Record Newspapers.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Weaver led in the salute to the flag.

#### OATHS ADMINISTERED TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

SWEARING IN OF ROBERT DORSEY TO THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMAN IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS- Mayor Weaver administered the oath of office to Robert Dorsey, for the Office of Councilmember in the Borough of Clementon for a term of three years, expiring December 31, 2024.

ROLL CALL: Jenai Johnson, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Thomas Weaver; Councilman Robert Dorsey; Councilwoman Brenda Franks; Councilman Christopher Hammond; Councilman Thomas Shaw; Councilwoman Holly Strobl. David Cornwell, who was elected at the General Election in 2021 for the Office of Councilman, did not appear, and the oath was not administered, leaving a vacancy in one council seat.

**NOMINATION OF BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT:** Councilwoman Franks motioned to nominate Councilman Thomas Shaw to the position of Council President. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl. Abstain: Shaw.

# REMARKS FROM NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL GUESTS:

Councilman Dorsey thanked the voters for their support, and acknowledged his gratitude to the members of the Governing Body for their confidence in him.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2022-01 AUTHORIZING SALARIES AND WAGES OF EMPLOYEES AND OTHER OFFICIALS RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2022. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, with a second from Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

### INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2022-02 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 127, LOT 6, ON THE TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:12-5(a)(1). Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, with a second from Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

<u>RESOLUTION R22-01</u> APPOINTING MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY, GEORGE J. BOTCHEOS, JR., 1202 LAUREL OAK ROAD, VOORHEES, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve with a second by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-02 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTANT BOWMAN AND COMPANY, LLP, 601 WHITE HORSE ROAD, VOORHEES, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey: Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-03 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL ENGINEER FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES, BACH ASSOCIATES, 304 WHITE HORSE PIKE, HADDON HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-04 APPOINTING BOND COUNSEL, PARKER MCCAY, MOUNT LAUREL, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve with a second by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-05 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR CHERYL COHEN, FOR YEAR 2022. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Strobl motioned to approve, with a second from Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-06 APPOINTING INSURANCE BROKER, HARDENBERGH INSURANCE AGENCY, MARLTON, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, with a second from Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-07 REMOVED FROM AGENDA-LEFT BLANK INTENTIONALLY

<u>RESOLUTION R22-08</u> APPOINTING PUBLIC DEFENDER, CHARLES WIGGINTON, GLOUCESTER CITY, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks: Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

Mayor Weaver read the following consent agenda items by title: RESOLUTION R22-09 ADOPTING ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER.

 $\frac{\text{RESOLUTION R22-}10}{\text{ADOPTING LEGAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON:}} \\ \text{THE CENTRAL RECORD AND COURIER POST}$ 

RESOLUTION R22-11 AUTHORIZING LEGAL DEPOSITORIES OF FUNDS: BENEFICIAL BANK, NA; T.D. BANK N.A.; SOVEREIGN BANK; REPUBLIC BANK; NJ CASH MANAGEMENT FUND

RESOLUTION R22-12 AUTHORIZING OFFICIALS TO SIGN CHECKS: MAYOR, COUNCIL PRESIDENT, CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER, MUNICIPAL CLERK, DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

RESOLUTION R22-13 AUTHORIZING OFFICIALS TO SIGN TAX TITLE LIEN CHECKS: TAX COLLECTOR AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RESOLUTION R22-14 AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH FUNDS

RESOLUTION R22-15 AUTHORIZING BONDS FOR BOROUGH OFFICIALS

RESOLUTION R22-16 AUTHORIZING BONDS FOR COURT OFFICIALS

RESOLUTION R22-17 AUTHORIZING INTEREST CHARGES FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

RESOLUTION R22-18 AUTHORIZING CHARGE FOR DUPLICATE TAX BILLS

RESOLUTION R22-19 ADOPTING 2022 SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

RESOLUTION R22-20 AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND COUNCIL EXPENSES

RESOLUTION R22-21 ADOPTING POLICE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AS AMENDED

RESOLUTION R22-22 DESIGNATING DELEGATES TO THE CAMDEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2022

RESOLUTION R22-23 AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM AND NAMING THE PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Councilwoman Strobl motioned to approve Resolutions R22-09 through and including Resolution R22-23. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Franks and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-24 APPOINTING BROWN & CONNERY AS LABOR COUNSEL FOR YEAR 2022. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Franks and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

Mayor Weaver read the following resolutions by title:

<u>RESOLUTION R22-25</u> AUTHORIZING SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENTS/POSITIONS HELD FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION AT 2022 COUNCIL MEETINGS.

RESOLUTION R22-26 TO ADOPT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY POLICE AGENCIES

Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve Resolutions R22-25 and 26, with a second by Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

<u>RESOLUTION R22-27</u> TO ADOPT 2022 TEMPORARY BUDGET. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey: Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-28 CONFIRMING COUNCIL ASSIGMENTS FOR 2022. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Strobl motioned to approve, with a second from Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey: Franks: Hammond: Shaw: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-29 AWARDING CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES TO INDEPENDENT ANIMAL CONTROL INC, FOR THE PERIOD BETWEEN AND INCLUDING JANUARY 1, 2022 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Strobl motioned to approve, with a second by Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

Mayor Weaver read the following resolutions by title: RESOLUTION R22-30 ACCEPTING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2022

RESOLUTION R22-31 AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER TO REFUND CERTAIN ESCROW BALANCES AND VARIOUS OTHER REVENUES ON DEPOSIT WITH THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON FOR YEAR 2022

RESOLUTION R22-32 AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS PURSUANT TO NJSA 4A:11-12a

<u>RESOLUTION R22-33</u> AUTHORIZING INTERLOCAL SERVICES PARTICIPATION BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON AND COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING FOR YEAR 2022

RESOLUTION R22-34 AFFIRMING RESOLUTION R00-92, OPEN SPACE REFERENDUM

Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve Resolutions R22-30-R22-15. Motion was seconded by Councilman Dorsey and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-36 APPOINTING PHOENIX ADVISORS AS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR FOR YEAR 2022. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-37 AWARDING CONTRACT TO VOORHEES ANIMAL ORPHANAGE FOR YEAR 2022. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-38 AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF BRYSON AND YATES CONSULTING ENGINEERS, LLC FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-39 AUTHORIZING VARIOUS APPOINTMENTS OF EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve with a second by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-40 AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF THE 2021 CAMDEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve with a second by Councilman Dorsey. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-41 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION #6 FOR REPLACEMENT OF WELL #9 PROJECT BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ENGINEER. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilman Dorsey. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-42 APPOINTING MICHAEL BERNARDIN TO THE OFFICE OF TAX ASSESSOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-43 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT #1 TO PURE TECHNOLOGIES US INC. FOR WATER VALVE EXERCISING PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,530.51. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Strobl motioned to approve, with a second by Councilman Shaw. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; Shaw; Strobl.

## **MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS:**

Mayor Weaver announced the following appointments to the Planning and Zoning Board-Edward Kunkel, Class IV Member for a term of three years, with an expiration of 12/31/24 Lynn Lofland, Class IV Member for a term of three years until 12/31/24 Gary Saunders, Class II Member for a term of one year until 12/31/22

Steve Bach of Bach Associates thanked the Mayor and Council for their appointment as the Municipal Engineers.

# PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Rebecca Holloway, Clementon Borough- Ms. Holloway thanked the Mayor and Council for continuing to make the virtual meetings possible. Mayor Weaver stated that the format of the meetings was fluid dependent upon the COVID status in the coming months.

Mayor Weaver also noted that the Centennial Celebration for Clementon Borough would occur in two years time and a committee was to be formed for the planning of the event.

Brittany Taylor, Clementon Borough- Ms. Taylor commented regrading water problems being experienced by some homes in the Borough.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Dorsey motioned to adjourn at 7:33PM. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Franks. Hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenai L. Johnson

Municipal Clerk/Administrator