

JANUARY 6, 2015

PAULSBORO. N.J.

6:00 P.M.

**ANNUAL REORGANIZATION AND
FIRST REGULAR MEETING**

Council Chamber:

Mayor Hamilton presided at the annual reorganization and first regular meeting of Council held on the above date and place.

The opening prayer was given by Mayor Hamilton.

Mayor Hamilton asked all those present to join in the salute to the flag, which was conducted by Borough Clerk VanScoy.

Mayor Hamilton called the meeting to order and asked Borough Clerk VanScoy to read the opening statement regarding the Open Public Meetings Act.

Members present were: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner.

Mayor Hamilton's Annual Message.

Mayor Hamilton wanted to bring to the attention of the residents of Paulsboro and also to the members of Council that as a result of the ongoing legal matters, he is unable to comment on the personal situation in which his legal will be handling. Also, he is very, very appreciative that everyone has their concerns and also he wanted to make sure at this time that if there are any questions, anyone, at this time to please direct them to his Counsel which is also Charles Block. Just to let everyone know, the problems that are going on have nothing to do with the duties as being Mayor in the community of Paulsboro.

Mayor Hamilton further stated things that have been done over the past year and the things Council will try to do this coming year. As Mayor of the community of Paulsboro he feels everyone must continue to believe in the coming year, 2015. The love everyone has for this community is overwhelming. During the year 2014, Mayor and Council negotiated the following with South Jersey Gas which has given the streets an improved look: Monroe Street, Jefferson Street, Chestnut Street, Washington Street and also Buck Street were repaved. Also, Clonmell Street and Riverview Avenue were paved at no cost to the residents, a gift from the Port of Paulsboro. Council can't leave out the Senior Citizen Building which was renovated also through grant funding. The Port of Paulsboro has made an announcement that Holtz Company will be the residents in Paulsboro during the year 2015. As he brings everyone up to date, the Borough has resolved the water problem with

Solvay Solexis and starting soon the Borough will have a filtration system installed at no cost to the residents of Paulsboro and that should be coming soon at Well No. 7. Conrail will be updating the Jefferson Street Bridge, soon to be completed and they will also have fixed the railroad crossings at Mantua Avenue, Commerce Street and Monroe Street. He is currently working with Congressman Norcross' Office and the NJDOT on fixing the Delaware Street railroad crossing. Looking at the activity mentioned above, he feels it is awesome savings to the community of Paulsboro. During these hard times, the municipality has renovated the Municipal Building as everyone can see, the paint job that has been done outside, the roof has been repaired, landscaping around the building and the new outside fixtures. The Borough is still working on paving the parking lot. The goal for this year, 2015, is to continue to improve the community. In closing, he further stated the Police Department is the first in Gloucester County to have Body Cameras and soon will have added cameras out on the blocks of Paulsboro. Mayor and Council feels moving forward can be rough but with the help of the residents, Council can make it a little easier, a little cleaner, in other words, stop letting people talk negative about Paulsboro. Having a positive attitude brings positive image and that is something only the residents and Mayor and Council can do. Paulsboro was built on pride, now put the pride back in Paulsboro and together Paulsboro can be a better community.

Election of President of Council:

Mayor Hamilton called for the nominations for the election of Council President.

Councilman Stevenson nominated Councilman John Giovannitti as President of Council. Councilman Haynes seconded the nomination.

Councilwoman Turner nominated Councilman Joe L. Kidd as President of Council and she felt Council should rotate the Council President chair every two (2) to three (3) years. She also feels that Council should take it very seriously because there is value to that. Council is all there to serve and be leaders of this town and she thought everyone would benefit by the rotation and that is why she nominated Councilman Kidd last year and why she is nominating him again this year. She also stated last year she asked about Assistant Council President and the Solicitor looked into it and came back with a reasonable and acceptable response and that is still sitting but she felt that was something that should also be looked at. She thinks there is value to that and she knows other towns that are doing that and she thought all of Council should have the experience and the knowledge that a Council President has and does for this Governing Body and as a team. Councilman Holloway seconded the nomination.

Roll call to appoint Councilman Giovannitti as Council President: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Stevenson. Nays: Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd, Councilwoman Turner.

Roll call to appoint Councilman Kidd as Council President: Ayes: Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Stevenson.

Mayor Hamilton stated he was very impressed with Councilwoman Turner's speech and appointed Councilman Joe L. Kidd as Council President.

Due to the motions ending in tie votes, Mayor Hamilton appointed Councilman Kidd as Council President for the year 2015.

Remarks by the President of Council.

Council President Kidd stated to his fellow Councilpersons and the community, it has been a long time sitting on Council, 29 years, and he feels with experience, what he will try to do is direct different situations through everybody. He further stated it is an honor to sit and finally be Council President and some of the things he will probably be putting motions on the floor at this meeting. He will see how he feels and how the way things should go. He also stated Council has to start moving towards a positive attitude and not as a negative on some things. He thanked everyone who voted for him and even the ones who didn't vote for him and he always says he will try.

Open To The Public.

Mayor Hamilton opened the floor to the public and reminded everyone to give their name and address and there was a five (5) minute time limit to speak.

Linda Pilger, 600 King Street, discussed the water/flooding problems at her house. She is not happy with the decision to hold this matter until a later date or until a Professional can look at it but she hoped it wouldn't be put off too long.

Mayor Hamilton stated T & M Associates will be contacted to look at her problem.

There wasn't any further public participation.

Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to close the floor to the public at 6:16 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

Mayor Hamilton announced the following Councilmanic Committee Appointments for 2015:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: Joe L. Kidd, Council President
John Giovannitti, Councilman
Theodore Holloway, II, Councilman

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: Gary Stevenson, Councilman
Jennifer Turner, Councilwoman
John Giovannitti. Councilman

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: Theodore Holloway, II, Councilman
John Giovannitti, Councilman
Joe L. Kidd, Council President

UTILITIES COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: Larry Haynes, Sr., Councilman
Jennifer Turner, Councilwoman
Gary Stevenson, Councilman

PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: Jennifer Turner, Councilwoman
Joe L. Kidd, Council President
Gary Stevenson, Councilman

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: Jennifer Turner, Councilwoman
Theodore Holloway, II, Councilman
Larry Haynes, Sr., Councilman

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: Theodore Holloway, II, Councilman
Joe L. Kidd, Council President
Larry Haynes, Sr., Councilman

CONSTRUCTION AND LICENSING OFFICE:

Chairperson: John Giovannitti, Councilman
Larry Haynes, Sr., Councilman
Gary C. Stevenson, Councilman

ECONOMIC AND NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Chairperson: W. Jeffery Hamilton, Councilman
Larry Haynes, Sr., Councilman
Joe L. Kidd, Council President

Councilman Haynes moved and Council President Kidd seconded that the appointments be confirmed. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on December 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to receive, file and approve the minutes. All were in favor of the motion.

Minutes of a Work Session Meeting held on December 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to receive, file and approve the minutes. All were in favor of the motion.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Hamilton asked for a motion to adopt R. #01.15 to #09.15.

R. #01.15: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #02.15: RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATES, TIME AND PLACE OF THE VARIOUS MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #03.15: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES OF ORDER FOR THE CONDUCT OF BOROUGH MEETINGS FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #04.15: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES OF ALL PUBLIC MONIES AND OTHER FUNDS OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #05.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO ADOPTING A CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

R. #06.15: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2015.

R. #07.15: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CERTAIN ACCOUNTS TO OTHER ACCOUNTS IN THE 2014 BUDGET.

R. #08.15: RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #09.15: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PETTY CASH FUNDS FOR THE BOROUGH CLERK FOR 2015.

Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Stevenson seconded to adopt R. #01.15 to R. #09.15. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Hamilton asked for a motion to adopt R. #13.15 to R. #22.15.

R. #13.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEORJEAN WIDENER AS TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #14.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAWRENCE HUBERT AS PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #15.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING MELISSA THOMAS AS DEPUTY MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2015.

R. #16.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING CAROL MILLIS AS MUNICIPAL COURT RECORDER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2015.

R. #17.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2015.

R. #18.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL OFFICERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #19.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING WAYNE BENDER AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #20.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIANE MORAN AS LANDLORD LICENSING SECRETARY FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #21.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING FRANCIS TURTON AS PART TIME RENTAL PROPERTY INSPECTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #22.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING RITA M. COSTENBADER AS WATER AND SEWER SEARCH CLERK FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015.

Council President Kidd moved and Councilwoman Turner seconded to adopt R. #13.15 to R. #22.15. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: **Motion carried.**

R. #25.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2015.

Mayor Hamilton tabled R. #25.15 as he needs to find someone for this position.

Mayor Hamilton asked for a motion to adopt R. #26.15 to R. #47.15.

R. #26.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING CHARLES TINDER AS SAFETY COORDINATOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #27.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING LEEANN RUGGERI AND CHIEF CHRIS WACHTER AS CONTACT PERSONS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE LIABILITY ATTORNEY CONSULTATION SERVICE FOR THE

GLOUCESTER, SALEM, CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND.

R. #28.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING JOHN A. GIOVANNITTI AS FUND COMMISSIONER AND JENNIFER TURNER AS ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY REGIONAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND.

R. #29.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING KATHY A. VANSKOY AS PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER AS PER N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.5 FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #30.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING JOAN SILBAUGH AS FIRE OFFICIAL.

R. #31.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO ANGELINI, VINIAR & FREEDMAN FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR A BOROUGH ATTORNEY FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #32.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO PETRONI & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #33.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO T & M ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR BOROUGH ENGINEERING SERVICES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET SEQ. (GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES).

R. #34.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO SICKELS & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR WATER AND SEWER ENGINEERING SERVICES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET SEQ.

R. #35.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO HARDENBERGH INSURANCE GROUP FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR A BOROUGH INSURANCE AGENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #36.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH COUNCIL TO

AWARD A CONTRACT TO MALEY & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR REDEVELOPMENT COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #37.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO TRIAD ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR PROFESSIONAL GRANT CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #38.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO PARKER MCCAY FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR BOND COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #39.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO TRIAD ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. —

R. #40.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES UNDER A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS TO BARKER AND SCOTT AS SPECIAL LABOR COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. —

R. #41.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES UNDER A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS TO RUDERMAN AND GLICKMAN AS SPECIAL LABOR RELATIONS COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

R. #42.15: A RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO'S CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, EMPLOYEES, PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT COME INTO CONTACT WITH MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS.

R. #43.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO PROVIDING FOR INTEREST AND A GRACE PERIOD ON TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2015.

R. #44.15: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN BALANCES ON WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT.

R. #45.15: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR ALLOWANCE OF A SENIOR CITIZEN DEDUCTION.

R. #46.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF RONALD MERTZ AS ZONING OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AND AUTHORIZING

THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq. WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST GREENWICH FOR PROVIDING TO THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO ZONING OFFICER SERVICES.

R. #47.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION PAULSBORO LOCAL NO. 122 (PBA) AND THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.

Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adopt R. #26.15 to R. #47.15. Roll call: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

APPOINTMENT OF VARIOUS OTHER BOROUGH OFFICIALS BY MAYOR HAMILTON AND CONFIRMED BY MOTION:

TAX SEARCH CLERK: Georjean Widener. Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Stevenson seconded to confirm the appointment. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

IMPROVEMENT SEARCH CLERK: Kathy A. VanScoy. Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Giovannitti seconded to confirm the appointment. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

APPOINTMENTS TO THE VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS BY MAYOR HAMILTON AND CONFIRMED BY MOTION IF NECESSARY.

GILL MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Mayor Appoints with Consent of Council:

5 Year Term – Rita Kelly

Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to confirm the appointment. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner.

LAND USE BOARD: Mayor Appoints without Consent of Council:

Class I: Mayor W. Jeff Hamilton
Class II: Official: James Sabetta
Class III: Member of Council: Joe L. Kidd
Alternate Member of Council: Larry Haynes, Sr.
Class IV: Citizens:

1. 4 Year Term – Leon Manchester

2. 4 Year Term – Rita Kelly
3. Alternate 1 – 2 Year Term – Alice Williams
4. Alternate 2 – 2 Year Term – Marc Kamp

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION: Mayor Appoints without consent of Council: 7 Members – One (1) would be Liaison to Land Use Board

1. 3 Year Term – William Gibison
2. 3 Year Term – Dorothy Hardy

RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mayor appoints with consent of Council:

1. 3 Year Term – Karen Armistead
2. 3 Year Term – John Haase
3. 3 Year Term – Evan Lavard
4. Alternate 1 – 3 Year Term – Erica Scott
5. Replace Theodore Holloway with Larry Moran – Unexpired term – 12/31/2016

Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to confirm the appointments. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION: Mayor appoints without consent of Council:

1. 8 Members – 3 Year Terms

Mayor Hamilton held these appointments.

Appointment of Mayor's Special Committees:

Fort Billings Project Committee: Chairperson: Dr. Walter Quint

Public Celebration/Events Committee: Chairperson: Councilwoman Turner

Lighthouse Committee: Chairperson: Marc Kamp

Crime Free Housing Committee: Chairperson:

Mayor Hamilton held the above appointment.

Friends of the Paul House/Library Committee: Chairperson: Dr. Walter Quint

Summary of Reports and copies of Minutes of meetings. Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Stevenson seconded to receive and file the above. All were in favor of the motion.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Community Betterment Committee/Public Property Committee: Councilwoman Turner:

Councilwoman Turner wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilwoman Turner stated she would like the Borough to sell some properties this year. She is aware there is a process and hoped the Administrator will help figure it out.

Councilwoman Turner stated the Borough will hold a Black History Program in February at the Paulsboro High School and all is invited.

Councilwoman Turner also would like to see more grants to serve the community such as for veterans, senior citizens and the youth and she would like to discuss this at a Work Session Meeting.

Councilwoman Turner thanked the Police Department for the good work and she also thanked Borough Foreman Tinder and all the departments and the Administrator as they are much appreciated.

Councilwoman Turner gave a Happy Belated Birthday to Mayor Hamilton and congratulated Council President Kidd. She also thanked the former Council President and will continue to learn from him. She asked everyone to work together to serve the community. She also congratulated Councilman Holloway on becoming the new Councilperson.

Street and Highway Committee/School Board Liaison: Councilman Holloway:

Councilman Holloway stated he did not have anything to report at this time but he looked forward to working with all members of the Governing Body. He congratulated Council President Kidd and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Utilities Committee: Councilman Haynes:

Councilman Haynes wished everyone a Happy New Year. He stated it has been a rough 2014 with the Conrail Train Derailment and the Solvay Solexis water issue. He congratulated Councilman Holloway on his Council seat and he also congratulated Council President Kidd on being re-elected to Council. He looked forward to working with Council and with Mayor Hamilton.

Public Safety Committee: Councilman Stevenson:

Councilman Stevenson wished everyone a Happy New Year and formally thanked former Councilman Giampola for serving on Council.

Councilman Stevenson stated he attended the annual Reorganization Meeting for the Fire Company and safety issues were discussed along with positive initiatives. He thanked Chief Wachter and the Police Department on attaining the

Body Cameras. He asked the residents to make sure their cars are locked as there have been break-ins.

Councilman Stevenson congratulated Councilman Holloway and also stated it was an honor working with Councilman Giovannitti as Council President. He further stated he would like to keep moving with community policing and hire a couple of officers.

Construction and Licensing Committee: Councilman Giovannitti:

Councilman Giovannitti congratulated Council President Kidd on his appointment as Council President. He felt Council President Kidd has the time and he wished him well.

Councilman Giovannitti thanked Councilman Holloway on the get together after the Swearing in Ceremony as it was a nice event and he also thanked Mayor Hamilton as a lot of projects have been done as it was an excellent year with the Mayor's leadership.

Councilman Giovannitti stated he has taken over as Chairperson of the Construction and Licensing Committee and felt former Councilman Giampola did a great job.

Councilman Giovannitti thanked and commended the departments. He also recognized Sheriff Carmel Morina.

Finance Committee: Council President Kidd:

Council President Kidd congratulated Councilman Giovannitti as the past Council President and he welcomed Councilman Holloway aboard Council. He wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to authorize the Borough Administrator to hold department head meetings at the beginning of every day and then cut back when needed.

Councilman Giovannitti questioned and stated he did not think the departments could meet every day with their different schedules.

Council President Kidd stated he said to cut the meetings back if they were not needed but he felt it was needed.

Council President Kidd requested a roll call vote.

Roll call: Ayes: Council President Kidd, Councilman Holloway, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Stevenson. Tie vote.

Mayor Hamilton proposed that Council President Kidd get with the Administrator and have the departments work out a schedule.

Council President Kidd stated he will discuss this with the Administrator.

Council President Kidd stated he wanted to see daily work reports from each department.

Councilman Haynes stated it would have to be a directive by all of Mayor and Council and not just by the Council President.

Council President Kidd stated it has already been done.

Council President Kidd stated he is looking for positive things for the Borough but if everything is going to be a 3-3 tie vote, then so be it.

Mayor Hamilton asked for a motion to adopt R. #12.15 at this time.

R. #12.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING DONNA NESTORE AS CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015. Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to adopt R. #12.15. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Hamilton stated R. #s 10.15, 11.15, 23.15 and 24.15 will be discussed in Executive Session.

R. #48.15: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. Council President Kidd moved and Councilman Giovannitti seconded to adopt R. #48.15. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Mayor and Council went into Executive Session at 6:53 p.m. to discuss personnel in reference to the Certified Municipal Finance Officer position.

Mayor and Council reconvened the Reorganization and First Regular Meeting at 7:19 p.m.

R. #10.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING LEEANN RUGGERI AS BOROUGH TREASURER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015. Councilman Giovannitti moved and Councilman Stevenson seconded to adopt R. #10.15. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #11.15: RESOLUTION APPOINTING LEEANN RUGGERI AS ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2015. Councilman Giovannitti moved and Councilman Stevenson seconded to adopt R. #11.15. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner.

R. #23.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING LEEANN RUGGERI AS FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2015. Councilman Haynes moved and Councilman Giovannitti seconded to adopt R. #23.15. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #24.15: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING LEEANN RUGGERI AS CLAIMS COORDINATOR OF THE GLOUCESTER, SALEM AND CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND. Councilman Haynes moved and Councilman Giovannitti seconded to adopt R. #24.14. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Council President Kidd, Councilman Stevenson, Councilwoman Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

There wasn't any further Borough business.

Councilman Giovannitti moved and Councilman Stevenson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

This is a brief summary of the Reorganization and First Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Paulsboro held on January 6, 2015 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC
Borough Clerk

W. Jeffery Hamilton, Mayor