

JANUARY 2, 2019

PAULSBORO. N.J.

6:00 P.M.

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION AND  
FIRST REGULAR MEETING

Council Chamber:

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

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

Mayor Stevenson 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 DiTonno (arrived at 6:34 p.m.), Councilman Giampola, Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd.

Election of President of Council:

Councilman Haynes nominated Councilman John Giovannitti as President of Council. Councilman Giampola seconded the nomination. Roll call: Ayes: Councilman Giampola, Councilman Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Remarks by the President of Council.

Council President Giovannitti thanked the members of Council for their support and trust and he feels they work so well together. He also thanked Administrator Jacobucci, the professionals and the staff as they are efficient and thorough. He wished everyone a healthy and happy New Year.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.** (Regular Meeting – Agenda item questions only.)

Mayor Stevenson opened the floor to the public and asked anyone speaking to give their name, address and reminded everyone there was a five (5) minute time limit.

Councilman Giampola moved and Council President Giovannitti seconded to open the floor to the public. All were in favor of the motion.

There wasn't any public participation.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to close the floor to the public. All were in favor of the motion.

Mayor Stevenson announced the following Councilmatic Committee Appointments for 2019:

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson: Alfonso Giampola  
Eric DiTonno  
Larry Haynes, Sr.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson: Eric DiTonno  
John Giovannitti  
Joe L. Kidd

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson: Larry Haynes, Sr.  
Theodore Holloway, II  
John Giovannitti

**PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson: Theodore Holloway, II  
Alfonso Giampola  
Eric DiTonno

**COMMUNITY BETTERMENT COMMITTEE:**

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

**CONSTRUCTION AND LICENSING OFFICE:**

Chairperson: John Giovannitti  
Alfonso Giampola  
Joe L. Kidd

**SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON COMMITTEE:**

Mayor Gary C. Stevenson  
Theodore Holloway, II

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

## **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Finance Committee: Councilman Giampola, Chairman:

Councilman Giampola stated a letter of retirement was received by Rita Costenbader, Water and Sewer Clerk who will retire on May 1st, 2019 and he wished her well.

Councilman Giampola moved and Council President Giovannitti seconded to authorize the advertisement the position of Financial Clerk who has accounting experience as well as is knowledgeable on the Edmunds software program. All were in favor of the motion.

Administrator Jacobucci stated this person should be able to step in for Tax Collector Widener.

Councilman Giampola wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Public Works Committee: Larry Haynes, Sr., Chairman:

Councilman Haynes reported the Contractor (Pierson) for the Thomson Avenue Phase I Project will be starting the concrete work tomorrow and paving next week. The contractor pulled off the work at the bulkhead due to high tides. The Contractor's (South State) subcontractor continues to video inspect, jet vac and clean the sewer mains; the work at Wells #8 and #9 will be completed next week. Furthermore, the Borough received approval from the NJDOT for the NJDOT 2017 Road Program (Spruce Street and Billings Avenue) and the Engineers need approval to advertise the bids.

Councilman Haynes moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to authorize the Engineers to advertise to receive bids for the NJDOT 2017 Road Program (Spruce Street and Billings Avenue). All were in favor of the motion.

Councilman Haynes also reported the Contractor will start on January 14<sup>th</sup> on the CDBG 2017 West Washington Street and Penn Line Road Project.

Councilman Haynes further reported the NJDOT Road Program (Pine Street from Swedesboro Avenue to Paul Street) is in the design and has been submitted to NJDOT for their review.

Public Property Committee: Councilman Holloway, II, Chairman:

Councilman Holloway wished everyone a Happy New Year and he congratulated Councilmen Giampola and Haynes on their Swearing In.

Community Betterment Committee: Councilman Kidd, Chairman:

Councilman Kidd stated the Borough needs to get residents working to buy homes or build homes. This has to be corrected. He further stated the Damminger Complex should be worked on now as it is the off season. He also stated the Borough needs to get behind the youth in Paulsboro and assist Mr. Brooks in making sure the kids get to the skating rink at least once a week. He further wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Construction and Licensing Committee: Council President Giovannitti, Chairman:

Council President Giovannitti reported the Construction and Code Department will be giving their report in February. He congratulated Councilmen Haynes and Giampola and he gave “kudos” to everyone.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Caucus Meeting, December 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting, December 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Special Meeting, December 27, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Summary of reports and copies of minutes of meeting.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to receive, file and adopt the minutes and reports. All were in favor of the motion.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS – CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter from John J. Vinci, Sr., Gloucester County Utilities Authority, regarding Fiscal Year 2019: GCUA Operating Budget

Letter from John J. Vinci, Sr. Gloucester County Utilities Authority, regarding Public Hearing Notice on Proposed Rate Schedule.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to receive and file the letters. All were in favor of the motion.

#### **ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:**

**O. #01.19: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AND EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS. (BLOCK 83 LOTS 24 AND 27).** (This Ordinance authorizes the Borough’s purchase of Block 83 Lots 24 (357 West Buck Street) and 27 (361 West Buck Street) for the purchase price of \$1.00.) Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adopt O. #01.19 on introduction and first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing on February 5, 2019. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti,

Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**O. #02.19: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE LEASE OF BLOCK 2, LOTS 9, 10 AND 11 ALSO KNOWN AS 105 RIVERVIEW AVENUE, LYING WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14 ET SEQ, TO MILLER ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, INC.** (This Ordinance authorizes a formal lease agreement between the Borough of Paulsboro and Miller Environmental Group, Inc. for Block 2 Lots 9, 10 and 11.) Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to adopt O. #02.19 on introduction and first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing on February 5, 2019. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### **RESOLUTIONS – BILLS:**

**R. #01.19: RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #02.19: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PROCEDURE TO PROCESS BILL PAYMENTS THE THIRD WEEK OF EACH MONTH AND THE MONTH OF AUGUST.**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**R. #03.19: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.**

**R. #04.19: RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATES, TIME AND PLACE OF THE VARIOUS MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #05.19: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES OF ORDER FOR THE CONDUCT OF BOROUGH MEETINGS FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #06.19: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES OF ALL PUBLIC MONIES AND OTHER FUNDS OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #07.19: 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. #08.19: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2019.**

**R. #09.19: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PETTY CASH FUNDS FOR THE BOROUGH CLERK AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE FOR 2019.**

**R. #10.19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING A LORRAINE BOYER AS CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

**R. #11.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEORJEAN WIDENER AS TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.**

**R. #12.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING CYNTHIA WOOD AS DEPUTY MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2019.**

**R. #13.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING CAROL MILLIS AS MUNICIPAL COURT RECORDER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2018.**

**R. #14.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR 2019.**

**R. #15.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL OFFICERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #16.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEORGE MARRA AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #17.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEORGE MARRA AS ZONING ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #18.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEORGE MARRA AS CODE OFFICIAL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.**

**R. #19.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEORGE MARRA AS PUBLIC OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.**

**R. #20.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING ROBERT DEANGELO AS HEARING OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO.**

**R. #21.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIANE MORAN AS LANDLORD LICENSING SECRETARY FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #22.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING FRANCIS TURTON AS RENTAL PROPERTY INSPECTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #23.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING RITA M. COSTENBADER AS WATER AND SEWER SEARCH CLERK FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #24.19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING SUSAN JACOBUCCI AS FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #25.19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING SUSAN JACOBUCCI AS CLAIMS COORDINATOR OF THE GLOUCESTER, SALEM AND CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND.**

**R. #26.19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #27.19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING HERMAN SCHOCH AS SAFETY COORDINATOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #28.19: RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUSAN JACOBUCCI AND CHIEF GARY KILLE AS CONTACT PERSONS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE LIABILITY ATTORNEY CONSULTATION SERVICE FOR THE GLOUCESTER, SALEM, CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND.**

**R. #29.19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING JOHN A. GIOVANNITTI AS FUND COMMISSIONER AND ALFONSO GIAMPOLA AS ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY REGIONAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND.**

**R. #30.19: 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. #31.19: A RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO 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. #32.19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO PROVIDING FOR INTEREST AND A GRACE PERIOD ON TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

**R. #33.19: RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATES, TIMES AND PLACE OF THE VARIOUS TRICO JIF SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to adopt R. #01.19 to R. #33.19. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman Giampola (abstained on all Fire Department bills), Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Raffles/Permits/Firemen's Association Membership Applications:**

St. Clare of Assisi Parish, BA-637, 2019 Annual Bingo.

Guardian Angels Regional School, BA-638, 2019 Annual Bingo.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to receive, file and approve the Bingo Licenses. All were in favor of the motion.

**RESOLUTIONS NOT ON CONSENT:**

**R. #34.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR A BOROUGH ATTORNEY FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Maley Givens)**

**R. #35.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR LABOR RELATIONS COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Weir & Partners, LLP.)**

**R. #36.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR SPECIAL LABOR COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Barker, Gelfand & James)**

**R. #37.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Petroni & Associates.)**

**R. #38.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR BOND COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Parker McCay, P.A.)**

**R. #39.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2018 FOR MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (John Alice, Esq.)**

**R. #40.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Dawn Leeds, Esq.)**

**R. #41.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Stephen Altamuro, Esq.)**



**R. #42.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR BOROUGH ENGINEERING SERVICES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET SEQ. (GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES/WATER AND SEWER ENGINEERING SERVICES). (Sickels & Associates, Inc.)**

**R. #43.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR REDEVELOPMENT COUNSEL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Maley Givens)**

**R. #44.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR GRANT CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Triad Associates.)**

**R. #45.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR A BOROUGH INSURANCE AGENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Hardenbergh Insurance Group.)**

**R. #46.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR INSURANCE CONSULTANT AND BROKER SERVICES FOR THE HEALTH INSURANCE FUND. (Steven J. Anuszewski.)**

**R. #47.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Triad Associates.)**

**R. #48.19: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FOR FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (Acacia Financial Group, Inc.)**

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to adopt R. #34.19 to R. #48.19. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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

TAX SEARCH CLERK: Georjean Widener.

IMPROVEMENT SEARCH CLERK: Kathy A. VanScoy.

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

**APPOINTMENTS TO THE VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS BY  
MAYOR STEVENSON AND CONFIRMED BY MOTION IF NECESSARY:**

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

5 Year Term – Irma Stevenson

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to confirm the appointment. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mayor appoints with Consent of Council:

5 Year Term – Cassandra Clark

5 Year Term – Barbara Thomson

Alternate 1 – 2 Year Term – Vacant

Alternate 2 – 2 Year Term – Vacant

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

LAND USE BOARD: Mayor Appoints without Consent of Council:

Class I: Mayor Gary C. Stevenson

Class II: Official:

Class III: Member of Council: Larry Haynes, Sr.

Alternate Member of Council: Alfonso Giampola

Class IV: Citizens:

4 Year Term – Ben Mento

4 Year Term – Daniel Sharper

Alternate 1 – 2 Year Term – Alice Williams

Alternate 4 – 2 Year Term – Jason Newman

Appointment of Mayor's Special Committees:

Lighthouse Committee: Chairperson: Marc Kamp

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

Administrator's Report:

Administrator Jacobucci reported on the Water Meter Project and stated a letter will be sent to the citizens regarding a different billing system. The Water and Sewer Clerk and Superintendent have been trained on the new system and are now gathering data. The bills will not go up unless the resident goes over the allowed

gallonage.

Administrator Jacobucci stated the Borough is rolling over the accounts to the year 2019. There is going to be a new challenge with the budget which is called the NJ FAST System and the Auditor will have a big role in this.

Administrator Jacobucci further reported she is going to try and hire someone to Rita's position in order to train them and when she does she will also send them to Tax Collector's classes.

**Engineer's Report:**

Borough Engineer Biermann recommended partial payment #5 for the – Water Meter Replacement project.

**R. #49.19: RESOLUTION PROVIDING PARTIAL PAYMENT #5 FOR THE WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT.** (This Resolution authorizes partial payment No. 5 in the amount of \$56,227.65). Councilman Haynes moved and Councilman Kidd seconded to adopt R. #49.19. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Borough Engineer Biermann stated the award of the quotes for the new shut-off valve at Well Nos. 8 & 9 Water Treatment Plant was acted upon at the December close out meeting.

Borough Engineer Biermann thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity to serve the Borough of Paulsboro for another year.

**Police Chief's Report:**

Chief Kille wished everyone a Happy New Year and thanked Mayor and Council for their support during his transition to Chief.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.** (General questions only.)

Mayor Stevenson opened the floor to the public and asked anyone speaking to give their name, address and reminded everyone there was a five (5) minute time limit.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to open the floor to the public at 6:28 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

There wasn't any public participation.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to close the floor to the public at 6:29 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

**Mayor's Annual Statement:**

Mayor Stevenson reported the Lube Plant is expanding which will hit on local hiring. He thanked the Police Department on the great job last year especially the

community policing, and their recommendation for the stop signs and he thanked the Borough employees for the great job they do as he has received lots of compliments. He asked Administrator Jacobucci to pass that on to all the employees in the Public Works Department. He thanked Administrator Jacobucci and the staff for steering Mayor and Council in the right way. The Port is coming along and are building more wharfs. The Paulsboro Plaza is slowly coming along and hopefully everyone will see some progress and they straighten out some flooding issues. The Route 295 developers are working with the County.

At this time, 6:34 p.m., Councilman DiTonno arrived for the meeting.

Mayor Stevenson continued his report regarding the Route 295 development and he hoped to see a hotel and restaurant at the location. The Borough will be developing the riverfront property into a mini "Riverwinds". He thanked Sickels and Associates for the Thomson Avenue project.

Borough Engineer Biermann appreciated the Borough's patience with the Thomson Avenue Project.

Mayor Stevenson received email regarding Conrail and the installation of the "Wye Tract" which will have the train swing behind his house and through the Railroad Construction property and that will be done in the middle of the year. The installation of the water meters were state mandated and are being installed. He discussed the housing initiative project. His goal is to tear down houses and make the property into buildable lots. He is trying to improve every area in town. He thanked Council for working with him on this. He congratulated Councilmen Haynes and Giampola. He feels this Governing Body can work together and communicate. He thanked Solicitor Maley and his office. He wished everyone a healthy and Happy New Year.

Councilman Giampola invited everyone back to the Sportsmens' Club.

There wasn't any further Borough business.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 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 2, 2019 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC/CMR  
Borough Clerk

  
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Gary C. Stevenson, Mayor