

BOROUGH OF RARITAN
ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

This Annual Reorganization Meeting was called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was posted in Borough Hall, made available on the Borough website and communicated to *The Courier News*, *The Star Ledger* and *The Breeze* on December 20, 2024.

III. INVOCATION

Father Steven Bolton – St. Ann’s Parish

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. OATHS OF OFFICE – COUNCIL

Councilman Kenneth DiGraziano
Councilman David Fritzing

VI. ROLL CALL – MAYOR & COUNCIL

Kimberly Mathewson – Acting Borough Clerk

VII. ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT & OATH OF OFFICE

VIII. RARITAN FIRE DEPARTMENT – OATHS OF OFFICE

Chief – Brian Kredatus
Deputy Chief – Brian Wood
Captain – Tom DeSantis
1st Lieutenant – Jake Gara
2nd Lieutenant – Fabian Ardila

IX. STATE OF THE BOROUGH

Mayor Nicolas J. Carra

X. COUNCIL REMARKS

XI. ADOPTION OF 2025 COUNCIL BY-LAWS

Resolution No. 2025-01-001

XII. 2025 COUNCIL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Board of Education

Councilman Umesh Agrawal

Raritan Public Library

Board of Health

Veterans Advisory Committee

Councilman Adam Armahizer

Shade Tree Advisory Board

Environmental Commission

Solid Waste Advisory Council
Somerset County Wastewater Management
Historical & Cultural Committee

Councilman David Fritzinger

Basilone Parade Committee
Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority
Recreation Committee

Councilman Kenneth DiGraziano

Shared Municipal Court
Raritan Senior Citizens

Councilman Michael Patente

Redevelopment Advisory Committee
Regional Center Partnership
Joint Land Use Board

Councilman Donald Tozzi

XIII. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS *without Consent of Council*

Environmental Commission
3-year term – 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2027

MLUB Member – Christopher Gussman
Alt. No. 2 – 2-year term – 01/01/2025 to
12/31/2026 – Benjamin Harris

Historical & Cultural Committee
3-year term – 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2027

Chair – Karen Eastlund
Member – Jane Fidicaro
Member – Mark Esposito
Alt. No. 1 – 1-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2025 – James Fidacaro
Alt. No. 2 – 1-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2025 – Dawn Wilde

Municipal Land Use Board
Terms Vary

Class II Member – 4-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2028 – Christopher Gussman
Class III Member – 1-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2025 – Councilman Donald Tozzi
Class IV Member – 4-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2028 – William Cunningham
Class IV Member – 4-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2028 – Tom Brown
Alt. No. 1 – 2-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2026 – Jo-Ann Liptak
Alt. No. 2 – 2-year term – 1/1/2025 to
12/31/2026 – Samypillai Jayaraj
Alt. No. 3 – 2-year term - 1/1/2024 to
12/31/2025 – Michael DeCicco

*unexpired term – 1/1/2024 to 12/31/2025

Redevelopment Advisory Committee

Terms Vary

Member – 1-year term – 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025 – Administrator Eric Colvin
Member – 1-year term – 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025 – Councilman Donald Tozzi
Member – 1-year term – 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025 – Thomas Brown
Member – 1-year term – 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025 – William Cunninham
Member – 1-year term – 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025 – Lou Gara
Member – 1-year term – 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025 – Engineer Joseph Brosnan

Regional Center Executive Board

1-year term – 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2025

Member – Mayor Nicolas J. Carra
Member – Councilman Donald Tozzi
Member – Engineer Joseph Brosnan
Member – Nick Zamora

Solid Waste Advisory Board

1-year term – 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2025

Member – Councilman Fritzingler
Member – Recycling Coordinator Vincent LoMedico

Somerset County Municipal Wastewater Management Plan Committee

1-year term – 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2025

Elected Official – Councilman Fritzingler
Planning Board – Tony LoPresti
Borough Engineer – Joseph Brosnan
SRSVA Member – Edward Machala
Recycling Coordinator – Vincent LoMedico

XIV. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS *with Consent of Council*

Board of Health

3-year term, 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2027

Member – Anna Bongiovi
Member – Constance DelRocco

Library Board of Trustees

5-year term, 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2029

Member – Laura Hnasco
Member – James Foohey
Member – Donald Esposito

Recreation Committee (requires council)

3-year term – 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2027

Member – Janet D’Augustine
Member – Joan Hutzler

XV. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 2025-01-002

Appointing Borough Attorney

Resolution No. 2025-01-003

Appointing Bond Counsel

Resolution No. 2025-01-004	Appointing Labor Counsel
Resolution No. 2025-01-005	Appointing Special Counsel
Resolution No. 2025-01-006	Appointing Registered Municipal Accountant
Resolution No. 2025-01-007	Appointing Insurance Agent
Resolution No. 2025-01-008	Approving Cash Management Plan
Resolution No. 2025-01-009	Appointing Administrative Officials
Resolution No. 2025-01-010	Appointing Depositories/Financial Institutions
Resolution No. 2025-01-011	Appointing Custodians of Accounts
Resolution No. 2025-01-012	Adopting 2025 Temporary Budget
Resolution No. 2025-01-013	Fixing Interest Rates – Delinquent Taxes and Sewer
Resolution No. 2025-01-014	Canceling 2024 Property Taxes – Open Balances Less Than \$10.00
Resolution No. 2025-01-015	Designating Official Newspapers
Resolution No. 2025-01-016	Designating Paid Holidays
Resolution No. 2025-01-017	Establishing 2025 Calendar of Meetings
Resolution No. 2025-01-018	Appointing Qualified Purchasing Agent
Resolution No. 2025-01-019	Awarding Professional Services Contract – Elevator Services

XVII. PUBLIC COMMENT

In accordance with the Code of the Borough of Raritan, there shall be a five-minute time limit per speaker.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting:
 Tuesday, January 21, 2025
 6:00 p.m. – Executive Session
 7 p.m. – Regular Session