

CALL TO ORDER

The Annual Reorganization Meeting of the Raritan Borough Council was called to order by Mayor Zachary Bray at 12 p.m. The meeting was held in the second floor Meeting Room of Borough Hall, Borough of Raritan, 22 First Street, Raritan, NJ 08869.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mayor Bray read the following statement:

This Annual Reorganization Meeting was called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Governing Body was posted in Borough Hall, made available on the Borough website, in the Office of the Borough Clerk and communicated to *The Courier News*, *The Star Ledger* and *The Breeze* on December 28, 2022.

INVOCATION & FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Bray led all in attendance for the Invocation and Salute to the Flag.

OATH OF OFFICE – COUNCIL

Councilman David Fritzingler
Councilwoman Joan Hutzler
Councilwoman Joyce Melitsky

ROLL CALL – MAYOR & COUNCIL

Borough Administrator/Clerk Eric Colvin called the following names during Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Carra, Councilman Fritzingler, Councilman Giraldi,
Councilwoman Hutzler, Councilwoman Melitsky, Councilman Orozco
Absent: x

Also Present: Mayor Bray, Borough Administrator/Clerk Eric Colvin, Borough
Attorney William Robertson and Borough Engineer Stanley Schrek

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT & OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Bray asked for a nomination for Council President.

On motion by Councilwoman Melitsky, seconded by Councilwoman Hutzler, Council moved to Elect Councilman Carra to serve as 2022 Council President.

Recorded Vote

Yea: Carra, Fritzingler, Hutzler, Melitsky
Nay: Orozco
Abstain: Giraldi
Motion Carried: 4-1

MAYOR'S 2022 REMARKS

Mayor Bray delivered his annual remarks.

ADOPTION OF 2022 GENERAL RULES OF ORDER

Mayor Bray called for a motion to adopt of the 2022 General Rules of Order, Resolution No. 2022-01-01.

On a motion by Council President Carra, seconded by Councilwoman Melitsky, Council moved to Approve Resolution No. 2022-01-01.

Recorded Vote

Yea: Carra, Fritzingler, Giraldi, Hutzler, Melitsky, Orozco

Nay: x

Abstain: x

Motion Carried: 6-0

2022 COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES

Mayor Bray acknowledged the following, 2020 Standing Committees:

Administration & Personnel	Chair – Councilwoman Hutzler Vice Chair – Councilman Carra
Engineering, Public Works, Building & Grounds	Chair – Councilwoman Melitsky Vice Chair – Councilman Fritzingler
Finance	Chair – Councilman Carra Vice Chair – Councilwoman Hutzler
Police & Public Safety	Commissioner – Councilman Giraldi Deputy Commissioner – Councilwoman Melitsky
Information & Technology	Chair – Councilman Fritzingler Vice Chair – Councilman Carra
Shared Services	Chair – Councilman Orozco 1. Vice Chair – Councilman Giraldi

2022 COUNCIL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor Bray acknowledged the following, 2022 Council Liaison Assignments:

Land Use Regional Center Economic Development Committee	Councilman Carra
Property Maintenance Office of Emergency Management Board of Health	Councilwoman Melitsky
Solid Waste Advisory Committee Somerset County Waste Water Management Board of Education Environmental Commission	Councilman Orozco

Municipal Court
Recreation

Councilwoman Hutzler

Basilone Parade Committee

Councilman Giraldi

Building Department
Historical & Cultural Committee

Councilman Fritzing

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS *without Consent of Council*

Mayor Bray announced the following appointments, which do not require Council consent:

Environmental Commission
3-year term – 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2024

Member – Michael DeCicco
Member – Christopher Gussman
Alt. No. 1 – 1-year term – 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 –
Tony Sachino

Historical & Cultural Committee
3-year term – 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2024

Member – Karen Eastlund
Member – Jane Fidacaro
Alt. No. 1 – 1-year term – 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 –
Carl Memoli

Municipal Land Use Board
Terms Vary

Class I Member – Mayor Zachary Bray
Class III Member – 1-year term – 1/1/2022 to
12/31/2022 – Councilman Carra
Class IV Member – 3-year term – 1/1/2022 to
12/31/2024 – Thomas Delacruz
Class IV Member – 3-year term – 1/1/2022 to
12/31/2024 – William Cunningham
Class IV Member – Filling Vacant Seat, Unexpired
Term – Samuela Sherwin 1/1/2021 to 12/31/2023
Alt. No. 1 – 1-year term – 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 –
Michael DeCicco
Alt. No. 2 – 1-year term – 1/1/2022 to
12/31/2022 – Barrett Windrem
Alt. No. 3 – 1-year term – 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 –
John Gramer

Regional Center Executive Board
1-year term, 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022

Member – Mayor Bray
Member – Nick Zamora
Member – Councilman Carra
Member – Angela Knowles

Sold Waste Advisory
1-year term, 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022

Member – Councilman Orozco
Member – Robert Fulminante, Recycling Coordinator

Somerset County Municipal Water Waste
Management Plan Committee

Elected Official Rep – Councilman Orozco
Planning Board – Debbie Thomas

1-year term, 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022

Borough Engineer – Stanley Schrek
RSA Member – Edward Machala
Recycling Coordinator – Robert Fulminante

Economic Development Committee
3-year term, 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2024

Member – Sherry Strauss

Recreation Committee
3-year term, 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2024

Member – Janet D’Augustine
Member – Dawn Sinagra
Members Filling Vacant Seats, Unexpired Terms –
Alex Windrem and John Collonello – 1/1/2021 to
12/31/2023

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS *with Consent of Council*

Mayor Bray announced the following appointments, which require Council consent:

Board of Health
3-year term, 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2024

Member – Jessica Ivan

Library Board of Trustees
5-year term, 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2026

Member – Jane Fidacaro

On a motion by Councilman Orozco seconded by Councilwoman Melitsky, Council moved to Approve the Appointments listed above.

Recorded Vote

Yea: Carra, Fritzingler, Giraldi, Hutzler, Melitsky, Orozco

Nay: x

Abstain: x

Motion Carried: 6-0

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 2022-01-002

Appointing Borough Attorney

Resolution No. 2022-01-003

Appointing Bond Counsel

Resolution No. 2022-01-004

Appointing Labor Counsel

Resolution No. 2022-01-005

Appointing Special Counsel

Resolution No. 2022-01-006

Appointing Registered Municipal Accountant

Resolution No. 2022-01-007

Appointing Insurance Agent

Resolution No. 2022-01-008	Appointing Public Defender
Resolution No. 2022-01-009	Appointing Administrative Officials
Resolution No. 2022-01-010	Appointing Depositories/Financial Institutions
Resolution No. 2022-01-011	Appointing Custodians of Accounts
Resolution No. 2022-01-012	Adopting 2022 Temporary Budget
Resolution No. 2022-01-013	Fixing Interest Rates – Delinquent Taxes and Sewer
Resolution No. 2022-01-014	Canceling 2021 Property Taxes – Open Balances Less Than \$10.00
Resolution No. 2022-01-015	Designating Official Newspapers
Resolution No. 2022-01-016	Designating Paid Holidays
Resolution No. 2022-01-017	Establishing 2022 Calendar of Meetings
Resolution No. 2022-01-018	Appointing Alternate Public Defender
Resolution No. 2022-01-019	Appointing QPA

On a motion by Councilwoman Hutzler, seconded by Councilwoman Melitsky, Council moved to Approve the Consent Agenda.

Recorded Vote

Yea: Carra, Fritzinger, Giraldi, Hutzler, Melitsky, Orozco

Nay: x

Abstain: x

Motion Carried: 6-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bray opened this Public Comment portion of the meeting for members of the Public wishing to speak.

Neither seeing nor hearing any member of the Public, the Mayor closed this Public Comment portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilman, seconded by Councilwoman Melitsky, Council moved to Adjourn the Meeting.

Recorded Vote

All in Favor

Motion Carried: 6-0

2022 Reorganization Meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

Eric M. Colvin
Borough Administrator/Clerk

Approved: _____