

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
BOROUGH OF CLOSTER

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES - MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016 - 7:30 P.M

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter held a Reorganization Meeting on Monday, January 4, 2016. Mayor Glidden called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Glidden invited all to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, was included in the Notice of Early Meetings which was sent to The Record and The Star Ledger for publication on December 15, 2015, was posted on the Municipal Clerk's bulletin board and has remained posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of the notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

3. ROLL CALL

The following persons were present:

Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.

Councilpersons David Barad, Alissa Latner, Robert Di Dio, Brian Stabile, Arthur Dolson
and Victoria Amitai

Borough Administrator, Jonathan DeJoseph

Borough Attorney, Edward T. Rogan

Borough Clerk, Loretta Castano

Borough Engineer, Peter Ten Kate

Chief of Police, Dennis Kaine

Superintendent of Public Works, William Dahle, III

4. INVOCATION

Mayor Glidden called upon Rabbi David Widzer of Temple Beth-El to give the invocation. He said he had an opportunity to be a guest last month at the Temple; and it is a warm and friendly place.

5. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE:

a. COUNCILWOMAN-ELECT ALISSA J. LATNER – Superior Court Judge Brian Martinotti administered the Oath of Office to Councilwoman Alissa J. Latner.

b. COUNCILWOMAN-ELECT JANNIE CHUNG – Bergen County Executive James J. Tedesco, III administered the Oath of Office to Councilwoman Jannie Chung.

6. MAYOR GLIDDEN REMARKS

At this time, Mayor Glidden recognized the presence at this meeting of former Mayor Joe Bianco, former Mayor Fred Pitofsky, former Mayor Edward Rogan and the Mayor of Wyckoff, Kevin Rooney.

a. DECLARE COUNCIL ORGANIZED FOR 2016

b. ROLL CALL OF 2016 GOVERNING BODY

7. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

a. AMBULANCE CORPS LINE OFFICERS

b. FIRE DEPARTMENT LINE OFFICERS

8. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

All appointments are made by the Mayor and confirmed by the Governing Body with the exception of Mayoral Appointments to certain Boards/Commissions not requiring Governing Body confirmation (Environmental Commission; Planning Board (with exception of Class III Governing Body Member) and Shade Tree Commission.

a. **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION** – Mayor Glidden made the following appointments:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Member / Planning Board Liaison	<u>Sophie Heymann</u>	<u>Sophie Heymann</u>	3 Years 3 Years	31-Dec-18
Member / Council Member / Liaison	<u>Thomas Hennessey</u>	<u>Councilman Brian Stabile</u>	(Unexp. Hennessey)	31-Dec-17
Member	<u>Sivert Hagen</u>	<u>Sivert Hagen</u>	3 Years	31-Dec-18
Alternate No. 1	<u>Ethel Abrams</u>	<u>Ethel Abrams</u>	3 Years	31-Dec-18
Associate Member	<u>Arthur Goldberg</u>	<u>Arthur Goldberg</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16

b. **PLANNING BOARD** – Mayor Glidden made the following appointments:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
*Class II Member/ Rep to Gov. of Closter	<u>Gary Montroy</u>	<u>Gary Montroy</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
*Class IV Member	<u>Mark Maddaloni</u>	<u>Mark Maddaloni</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
*Class IV Member	<u>Dean C. Paltos</u>	<u>Dean C. Paltos</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
*Alternate No. 2	<u>Ansar Batool</u>	<u>Ansar Batool</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17

c. **SHADE TREE COMMISSION** – Mayor Glidden made the following appointments:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Member	<u>Nils Abate</u>	<u>Nils Abate</u>	5 Years	31-Dec-20
Alternate No. 2	<u>John Kashwick</u>	<u>John Kashwick</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19

9. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER

All other appointments are made in accordance with New Jersey Statutes and By-Laws General Rule No. I. D. (Mayor) and Rule No. V. A. (Committees and Commissions)

Mayor Glidden made the following appointments requiring Council confirmation:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Administrator	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Administrative Secretary/ Police Records Clerk	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Affirmative Action Officer	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Appropriate Authority	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Assessor Clerical Assistant	<u>Li-Tong Chiang</u>	<u>Li-Tong Chiang</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Assistant to Borough Clerk	<u>Carol Kroepke</u>	<u>Carol Kroepke</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Deputy Borough Clerk	<u>Arlene Corvelli</u>	<u>Arlene Corvelli</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16

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COAH Coordinator	<u>Dorothy Woods</u>	<u>Dorothy Woods</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Construction/Building Department				
Construction Code Official P/T Code	<u>Gary Montroy</u>	<u>Gary Montroy</u>	for a term that expires 12/31/18	
Enforcement Official Building /	<u>James Whitney</u>	<u>James Whitney</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Technical Inspector	<u>Giuseppe LaMastra</u>	<u>Giuseppe LaMastra</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Technical Assistant	<u>Paul Demarest</u>	<u>Paul Demarest</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Technical Assistant Code Enforcement	<u>Rose Mitchell</u>	<u>Rose Mitchell</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Official (Trees)	<u>Bill Fuchs</u>	<u>Bill Fuchs</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Deputy Treasurer	<u>Dorothy Woods</u>	<u>Dorothy Woods</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Department of Public Works				
Superintendent of Public Works	<u>William Dahle III</u>	<u>William Dahle III</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Employee Benefits Clerk	<u>Dorothy Woods</u>	<u>Dorothy Woods</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Financial Assistant Part-Time	<u>Li-Tong Chiang</u>	NO APPOINTMENT	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Fire Prevention				
Inspector/Secretary	<u>Mark Meyers</u>	<u>Mark Meyers</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Inspector/Secretary	<u>Alphonso Young, Jr</u>	<u>Alphonso Young, Jr</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Inspector/Secretary	<u>Michael Hunken</u>	<u>Michael Hunken</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Historians				
	<u>Orlando Tobia</u>	<u>Orlando Tobia</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
	<u>Arthur Goldberg</u>	<u>Arthur Goldberg</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Information Technology Coordinator	<u>Kevin Whitney</u>	<u>Kevin Whitney</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Landscaper - Foreclosed & Abandoned Properties	<u>Mark Lupardi</u> <u>Lupardi's Nursery, Inc.</u>	<u>Lupardi's Nursery</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
NJ Motion Picture/ TV Comm.				
	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Administrator	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Municipal Officer	<u>Chief Dennis Kaine</u>	<u>Chief Dennis Kaine</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Municipal Court				
Sound Recording Clerk	<u>Monica Chalarca</u>	<u>Monica Chalarca</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Parking Reserve				
Councilperson	<u>Victoria Amitai</u>	<u>Victoria Amitai</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Administrator	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Zoning Officer	<u>Leonard Sinowitz</u>	<u>Leonard Sinowitz</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Pension Certifying Agent	<u>Maria Passafaro</u>	<u>Maria Passafaro</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16

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Police Matrons				
	<u>Kathleen Goldrick</u>	<u>Kathleen Goldrick</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
	<u>MaryEllen Cerbasi</u>	<u>MaryEllen Cerbasi</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Qualified Purchasing Agent	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
School Crossing Guards				
	<u>Elizabeth Bussanich</u>	<u>Elizabeth Bussanich</u>		
	<u>Marija Galinac</u>	<u>Marija Galinac</u>		
	<u>Louise Hettinger</u>	<u>Louise Hettinger</u>		
	<u>Jaclyn Higgins</u>	<u>Jaclyn Higgins</u>		
	<u>Donna Kelly</u>	<u>Donna Kelly</u>		
	<u>Janine Micera</u>	<u>Janine Micera</u>		
	<u>Cheryl Friedrich</u>	<u>Cheryl Friedrich</u>		
	<u>Russell Buchner</u>	<u>Russell Buchner</u>		
	<u>Patricia Williams</u>	<u>Patricia Williams</u>		
	<u>Robert Beardsley</u>	<u>Robert Beardsley</u>		
	<u>Kenneth F. Norton</u>	<u>Kenneth F. Norton</u>		
Assistant to Tax Collector / Payroll Clerk Temporary and Part-Time Clerical	<u>Michaela Tomanova</u>	<u>Michaela Tomanova</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
(Police Records Clerk)	<u>MaryEllen Cerbasi</u>	<u>MaryEllen Cerbasi</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Zoning Officer	<u>Leonard Sinowitz</u>	<u>Leonard Sinowitz</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16

Mayor Glidden made the following Committee and Liaison appointments requiring Council confirmation:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Bergen Municipal Coalition	<u>Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.</u>	<u>Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Emergency Management				
Deputy Coordinator	<u>Kevin Whitney</u>	<u>Kevin Whitney</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Committee	<u>Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.</u>	<u>Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Administrator	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	<u>Jonathan DeJoseph</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
	<u>Mark Meyers</u>	<u>Mark Meyers</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
	<u>Michael Hunken</u>	<u>Michael Hunken</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	<u>Leslie Weatherly</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Joint Insurance Fund				
Safety Delegate	<u>William Dahle III</u>	<u>William Dahle III</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Safety Alternate	<u>Tony Lupardi</u>	<u>Tony Lupardi</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Safety Committee	<u>Dr. David Barad</u>	<u>Dr. David Barad</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Safety Committee	<u>Brian Pierro</u>	<u>Brian Pierro</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16

2016 Council Committees

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Incumbent Chairperson Members</u>	<u>Chairperson Members</u>
Finance and Technology	Brian Stabile Dolson/Di Dio	Brian Stabile Barad/Di Dio
Human Resources, Communication & Environment	Robert Di Dio Latner/Dolson	Robert Di Dio Chung/Latner
Ordinances & Legislative	David Barad Stabile/Amitai	David Barad Chung/Amitai
Private Construction, Land Use, Zoning Enforcement & New Buildings	Victoria Amitai Barad/Dolson	Victoria Amitai Barad/Stabile
Public Safety	Arthur Dolson Amitai/Latner	Alissa Latner Di Dio/Chung
Public Works, Construction & Grounds	Alissa Latner Stabile/Di Dio	Jannie Chung Latner/Stabile

2016 Council Liaisons

	<u>Incumbent Liaison</u>	<u>Liaison</u>
Ambulance Corps.	David Barad	David Barad
Board of Education - NVRHS Board of Education – Closter Public Schools	Alissa Latner Robert Di Dio	Alissa Latner Robert Di Dio
Board of Health	Arthur Dolson	Jannie Chung
Engineer	John C. Glidden, Jr.	John C. Glidden, Jr.
*Environmental Commission	Brian Stabile	Brian Stabile
Fire	Alissa Latner	Alissa Latner
Historic Preservation Commission	Brian Stabile	Brian Stabile
*Improvement Commission	Victoria Amitai	Victoria Amitai
Library Board of Trustees	Alissa Latner	Alissa Latner
*Planning Board, Class III	Victoria Amitai	Victoria Amitai
Police	Arthur Dolson	Alissa Latner
Recreation Commission	John C. Glidden, Jr.	John C. Glidden, Jr.
Senior Citizens	John C. Glidden, Jr.	John C. Glidden, Jr.
*Shade Tree Commission	David Barad	David Barad
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Arthur Dolson Alissa Latner/ Arthur Dolson	Jannie Chung
Council President		Victoria Amitai
Northern Valley Mayors Association	John C. Glidden, Jr.	John C. Glidden, Jr.

**Voting Member AND Liaison*

Motion of approval was made by Councilman Barad, seconded by Councilman Di Dio and declared carried by Mayor Glidden.

10. APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PROFESSIONALS

Mayor Glidden made the following Professional appointments requiring Council confirmation:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Appraiser - Commercial & Residential Properties	<u>Louis S. Izenberg, MAI, SRA</u> <u>Izenberg Appraisal Associates</u>	<u>Louis S. Izenberg, MAI, SRA</u> <u>Izenberg Appraisal Associates</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Attorney	<u>Edward T. Rogan</u> <u>Edward Rogan & Associates</u>	<u>Edward T. Rogan</u> <u>Edward Rogan & Associates</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Auditor	<u>Gary J. Vinci</u> <u>Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP</u>	<u>Gary J. Vinci</u> <u>Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Bond Counsel	<u>DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole</u> <u>(Rep) William R. Mayer</u>	<u>DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole</u> <u>(Rep) William R. Mayer</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
COAH Planner	<u>Caroline Reiter P.P., AICP</u> <u>Christopher P. Statile, PA</u>	<u>Caroline Reiter P.P., AICP</u> <u>Christopher P. Statile, PA</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Engineer	<u>Stephen T. Boswell</u> <u>Boswell McClave Engineering</u> <u>(Rep) Nick DeNicola</u> <u>Mid Bergen Regional</u> <u>Health Commission/</u>	<u>Stephen T. Boswell</u> <u>Boswell McClave Engineering</u> <u>(Rep) Nick DeNicola</u> <u>Mid Bergen Regional</u> <u>Health Commission/</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Health Officer	<u>Sam Yanovich</u>	<u>Sam Yanovich</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Risk Management Consultant	<u>Glenn Parsells</u> <u>Parsells Agency Inc.</u>	<u>Trinity Brokerage, Inc.</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Municipal Court				
Prosecutor	<u>Mark Peter Fierro</u> <u>Mark P. Fierro, Esq., LLC</u>	<u>Mark Peter Fierro</u> <u>Mark P. Fierro, Esq., LLC</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Alt. Prosecutor	<u>Andrew M. Cimiluca, Esq.</u> <u>Law Offices of</u> <u>Andrew M. Cimiluca, PC</u>	<u>Andrew M. Cimiluca, Esq.</u> <u>Law Offices of</u> <u>Andrew M. Cimiluca, PC</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Public Defender	<u>Peter H. Kim</u> <u>Law Offices of</u> <u>Peter H. Kim, P.C.</u>	<u>Peter H. Kim</u> <u>Law Offices of</u> <u>Peter H. Kim, P.C.</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Planner to Implement Portions of the 2008 Master Plan	<u>No Appointment in 2015</u>	<u>Caroline Reiter P.P., AICP</u> <u>Christopher P. Statile, PA</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16

Motion of approval was made by Councilman Di Dio, seconded by Councilwoman Latner and declared carried by Mayor Glidden.

11. APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Glidden made the following appointments requiring Council confirmation:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Board of Ethics				
Member (D)	<u>Steve Roland</u>	<u>Steve Roland</u>	5 Years	31-Dec-20
Board of Health				
Member	<u>Phyllis Buonomo</u>	<u>Phyllis Buonomo</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
Member	<u>Anthony Neusch</u>	<u>Anthony Neusch</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
Historic Preservation Commission				
Member (Class B)	<u>Jennifer Rothschild</u>	<u>Jennifer Rothschild</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
Member (Class C)	<u>Erik Lenander</u>	<u>Erik Lenander</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
Alternate No. 2	<u>Susan McTigue</u>	<u>Susan McTigue</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17

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Improvement Commission				
Member	<u>Andrew Albaum</u>	<u>Andrew Albaum</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17
Member	<u>Iris S. Barad</u>	<u>Iris S. Barad</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17
Member	<u>Ophelia MacBain</u>	<u>Ophelia MacBain</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17
Member	<u>Maria Kim</u>	<u>Maria Kim</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17
Member	<u>Janet Morrow</u>	<u>Janet Morrow</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17
Member	<u>Eli Nachmany</u>	<u>Susan Iafrate</u>	2 Years (Unexp. Nachmany)	31-Dec-17
Alternate No. 2	<u>Susan Iafrate</u>	<u>Mor Gil Hefetz</u>	2 Years (Unexp. Iafrate)	31-Dec-16
Land Use Coordinator				
Planning Board	<u>Rose Mitchell</u>	<u>Rose Mitchell</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Zoning Board of Adjustment	<u>Paul Demarest</u>	<u>Paul Demarest</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Library Board of Trustees				
Trustee	<u>Donald Farrell</u>	<u>Donald Farrell</u>	5 Years	31-Dec-20
*Planning Board				
Council Member - Class III	<u>Victoria Amitai</u>	<u>Victoria Amitai</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Recreation Commission				
Director	<u>James Oettinger</u>	<u>James Oettinger</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Deputy Director – Field Maintenance	<u>John Kilduff</u>	<u>John Kilduff</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Assistant Director	<u>Brian Beddoe</u>	<u>Brian Beddoe</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Joseph Yammarino</u>	<u>Joseph Yammarino</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Wendy Nigro</u>	<u>Wendy Nigro</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Nancy Reilly</u>	<u>Nancy Reilly</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Paul Nyfenger</u>	<u>Paul Nyfenger</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>James Thompson</u>	<u>James Thompson</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Alfredo Freyre</u>	<u>Alfredo Freyre</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Chris Haray</u>	<u>Chris Haray</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>George Yako</u>	<u>George Yako</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Dean C. Pialtos</u>	<u>Dean C. Pialtos</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Derek Short</u>	<u>Derek Short</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Erminio Parrella</u>	<u>Erminio Parrella</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>Jake Vinson</u>	<u>Jake Vinson</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>No Appointment</u>	<u>Nick Cervino</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>No Appointment</u>	<u>Eric Baker</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16
Associate Member	<u>No Appointment</u>	<u>Bev McKeen</u>	1 Year	31-Dec-16

<u>OFFICE</u>		<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Zoning Board of Adjustment					
	Member	<u>Heena Dhorajia</u>	<u>Heena Dhorajia</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
	Member	<u>Ken Wasserman</u>	<u>Ken Wasserman</u>	4 Years	31-Dec-19
	Alternate No. 2	<u>Joan Marks</u>	<u>Joan Marks</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17
	Alternate No. 4	<u>Philip H. Kwon</u>	<u>Philip H. Kwon</u>	2 Years	31-Dec-17

Motion of approval was made by Councilman Stabile, seconded by Councilman Barad and declared carried by Mayor Glidden.

12a. REVIEW OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

All items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one MOTION.

There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council Member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for Roll Call vote, in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the General Order of Business.

At this time Mayor Glidden asked the public to bear with him while he read the following Consent Agenda items requiring Council approval:

RESOLUTIONS

- *13. RE WAIVING READING OF THE MINUTES
- *14. RE FIXING MEETING DATES FOR 2016
- *15. RE INTEREST RATES AND PENALTIES (Received from Tax Collector 12/28/15)
- *16. RE WARRANTS (Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)
- *17. RE DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES – (Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)
- *18. RE DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES ON BANK ACCOUNTS FOR 2016 (Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)
- *19. ADOPTING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2016 (Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)
- *20. RE DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS
- *21. ESTABLISHING TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2016 (Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)
- *22. RE FOLLOWING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:
 - a. ATTORNEY
 - b. AUDITOR
 - c. BOND COUNSEL
 - d. BOROUGH APPRAISER – COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES
 - e. BOROUGH ENGINEER
 - f. BOROUGH PLANNER (MASTER PLAN REEXAMINATION)
 - g. COAH PLANNER
 - ~~h. COAH SPECIAL PLANNER – VILLAGE SCHOOL – No appointment made~~
 - i. PROSECUTOR
 - j. ALTERNATE PROSECUTOR
 - k. PUBLIC DEFENDER
 - l. RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

12a. REVIEW OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (Continued)

RESOLUTIONS (Continued)

- *23. RE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS:
 - a. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES - MID-BERGEN REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION
 - b. ALCOHOL AND DRUG TESTING SERVICES – VALLEY MEDICAL GROUP (Revision received from Administrator 12/28/15)
 - ~~c. AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, NORWOOD AND NORTHVALE FOR USE OF THE CLOSTER POLICE FIRING RANGE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 (Revision received from Administrator 12/28/15)~~

- *24. AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH FUNDS AS FOLLOWS:
(Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)
 - a. BOROUGH CLERK.....\$150.00
 - b. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.....\$100.00
 - c. DETECTIVE BUREAU.....\$100.00
 - d. POLICE DEPARTMENT.....\$150.00

- *25. AUTHORIZING TAX SALE OF 2015 DELINQUENT TAXES (Received from Tax Collector 12/28/15)

- *26. RE REDEMPTION CALCULATION FEES (Received from Tax Collector 12/28/15)

- *27. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AUTHORITY TO PAY CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS AS NEEDED (Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)

- *28. RESOLUTION CANCELING SMALL BALANCES (Received from Temporary Chief Financial Officer 12/28/15)

- *29. A RESOLUTION TO REAFFIRM THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER’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 (Received from Borough Attorney 12/29/15)

- *30. AUTHORIZING THE BELSKIE MUSEUM TO SERVE WINE AT MONTHLY ANNUAL RECEPTIONS IN CALENDAR YEAR 2016 (6. M.L. 12/31/15) (Received from Borough Attorney 12/29/15)

12b. VOTE ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

At this time, Mayor Glidden asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which was made by Councilman Barad and seconded by Councilman Di Dio. Mayor Glidden asked whether all were in favor and verbal ayes were declared with no roll call vote. Mayor Glidden asked whether anyone opposed and Councilman Stabile referred to Item No. 23c. He noted that there is not much money coming in from other Boroughs for use of the Police Firing Range; and the shared services agreement very much benefits the other Boroughs. Mr. Stabile requested that this agreement be carried to the next meeting (RM 1/27/16) as long as same would not affect any of the other contracts. Mayor Glidden agreed to carry it to the next meeting so long as no objections were voiced and none were heard.

31. REVIEW AND VOTE ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

At this time, Mayor Glidden made the following remarks:

“Good Evening Every One !
This is the beginning of my second year as your Mayor and I want you to know I have enjoyed the past year. We have made great strides and I have learned a lot.
We must appreciate and acknowledge all of the positives that make Closter the wonderful town

that it is, but we must continue to strive to make improvements; and to always be open to changing the manner in which we do business.

I had occasion to attend the swearing in of my friend Peter Rustin over the week-end. Peter had been elected to his 4th term as Mayor of Tenafly. When asked how he managed to hold on to the Mayorship for so long he replied, “I return all calls, I’m accessible to the public, and I try to help people.” Well, although I may be 11 years behind Mayor Rustin’s record, my job description for the position of Mayor is identical to his.

Now, for the coming challenges: The first challenge Borough Hall faces every year is putting together a budget that serves our community by taking into account our needs and the common sense constraints we face. In 2010, Governor Christie signed a bill which created a 2% cap on property tax levy increases. Since that time, Closter has met or bettered that measurement each year, unlike many neighboring municipalities that were not as well fiscally prepared, or as well governed. But those involved in the process will tell you that each year staying under the 2% cap has become a greater challenge. There’s a limit to how much staff attrition we can endure. Our employees are entitled to a fair wage. We can streamline the services we provide but we do not look to cut or eliminate them. This year’s budget process will be the toughest that Closter has ever experienced. I wish to share with you some of my concerns.

1. Pension Increase:
We face a 9% pension increase in the Public Employment Retirement System for 2016.
2. Employee Health Insurance
We face a 5% increase in health insurance premiums for our Borough Employees in 2016
3. Debt Service
We face a mandatory principal payment on outstanding Borough Notes in 2016
4. Employee Salaries
Borough employees did not receive any salary increase in 2015. We cannot expect to maintain the quality of our workforce unless we pay competitive salaries.
5. Sewer Charges:
We face a 5% increase in our charges for the Bergen County Utilities Authority in 2016.
Road Repair and Repaving
We are in the process of increasing the amount budgeted for street repair by a major amount. We cannot afford to fall behind in maintaining our streets.
6. Senior Services:
Your Mayor and Council is determined to provide our Seniors with a van which will provide those in need with a level of accessibility that until now has been lacking in Closter. But we must remember that the purchase of the van is only the beginning of the cost of this service.

Borough Improvements:

Improvements to the Downtown Commercial District

I am pleased to report that the Construction of Closter Plaza is on Schedule. It’s even slightly ahead due to the warm weather. Whole Foods remains committed to opening by November 1 and that is only 10 months away. As you are well aware, the completion of Closter Plaza is going to change the Borough and our building officials are exercising all required Due Diligence to make sure that change is positive.

Now, while the completion of the Plaza will likely have a positive effect on the rest of our Downtown Commercial District, (and I am speaking primarily of the area on Closter Dock Road from this building to the Clock Tower), we must find ways of improving the area beyond the effect of the Plaza. In early December, at a joint meeting of the Mayor and Council, Zoning Board and Planning Board, we discussed numerous initiatives for improving the rest of Downtown. First and foremost is downtown parking. Improvements to the North and South Parking lots are needed. We discussed Wayfarer signs to assist shoppers in finding adequate parking. We discussed the return of angle parking to provide for more parking spaces, and we discussed the reconfiguration of traffic flow to ease shopper parking. Finally we discussed potential zoning changes in the Downtown area to spur investment in our downtown real estate. These discussions have been forwarded to the Closter Chamber of Commerce and we have invited the Chamber to sit with us as soon as possible to make some of these changes real.

There are many other items on the “To Do” list of Closter’s Mayor and Council. But I wish to say particular thanks to the dozens and dozens of our residents who volunteer. We have top notch volunteers in our first responder Fire and Ambulance Corps. We have dedicated volunteers in our many Boards and Commissions. And I wish say to the members of our Police Department who keep us safe: We thank you. You are the best police department in Bergen County.

Finally, I think you will agree that Closter is a great town in which to live and raise a family, and I look forward to working with the members of the Borough Council to overcome the challenges we face. Closter has the benefit not only of an excellent staff of professionals in Borough Hall, but also a spectacular mix of residents willing to get involved and assist in maintaining the quality of our community. With your help, we will keep Closter the great town that it is. I believe that I speak, not only for myself, but also for the members of the Council, when I say, thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve. To each and every one of you, I wish you a very Happy and a Healthy New Year.”

33. OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC FOR ANY MATTER, PER N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (a)
(Subject to 5-minute limit per By-Laws General Rule No. 11)

Mayor Glidden asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding any matter.

Councilman Barad called attention to the fact that Item No. 6a. had not been addressed; and Mayor Glidden explained that in his haste he had skipped over same; therefore, Mayor Glidden declared the following:

6a. THE COUNCIL IS REORGANIZED FOR 2016

Councilwoman Latner asked about the status of Item No. 7:

7. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

- a. AMBULANCE CORPS LINE OFFICERS
- b. FIRE DEPARTMENT LINE OFFICERS

Mayor Glidden explained that this item would be carried to another time, most likely the Ambulance Corps Dinner and Firemen’s Dinner.

Mayor Glidden asked if he had omitted any other item.

Esther Fletcher, 780 Oak Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey, asked for permission to come forward to present Jannie Chung with an award. Mayor Glidden approved of same and she provided a Certificate of Achievement to Jannie from WEDO (Women Empowered Democratic Organization of Bergen County) in appreciation for her achievement in being elected to serve the Borough of Closter.

At this time, Mayor Glidden asked Arthur Dolson to come forward and presented him with a plaque which he read as follows: “Presented to Councilman Arthur B. Dolson in appreciation of the dedication and devotion to the Closter Community 2010-2015.” The Governing Body and the public offered a standing ovation

Mayor Glidden asked Tom Hennessey to come forward. He presented him with a plaque which read as follows: Presented to Councilman Tom Hennessey in appreciation of his dedication and devotion to the Closter Community – 2015. The Governing Body and the public offered a standing ovation

32. ANY OTHER MATTER WHICH MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE GOVERNING BODY

At this time, Mayor Glidden asked if anyone wished to speak. No one wishing to be heard, Mayor Glidden asked for a motion to adjourn.

34. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting at 8:05 p.m. was made by Councilman Di Dio, seconded by Councilwoman Latner and declared unanimously carried by Mayor Glidden.

Provided to the Mayor and Council
on January 7, 2016 for approval at the
Regular Meeting to be held
January 27, 2016

Loretta Castano, RMC
Borough Clerk

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and Arlene M. Corvelli, RMC
utilizing recording of Meeting

Approved at the Regular Meeting held January 27, 2016
Consent Agenda Item No. 24b.