

**MINUTES
REORGANIZATION MEETING
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL – BOROUGH OF RED BANK
JANUARY 1, 2019 -- 3:00 PM**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Menna and Council Members Yngstrom, Horgan, Zipprich, Ballard, Councilwoman-Elect Triggiano and Councilman Elect Yassin.

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Shehady, Borough Clerk Borghi and Attorney Cannon.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

Mayor Menna requested the minutes reflect that, in compliance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231 (Open Public Meetings Act), notice of this meeting has been provided by notifying the Asbury Park Press, the Two River Times and the Star Ledger and by placing a notice on the bulletin board and filing same with the Borough Clerk on November 28, 2018.

Mayor Menna welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged elected officials and former elected officials who were in attendance.

SWEARING IN OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

United States District Court Judge Susan Davis Wigenton issued the Oath of Office to Mayor Menna.

Assemblyman John Wisniewski issued the Oath of Office to Councilwoman Triggiano

Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling issued the Oath of Office to Councilman Yassin.

Mayor Menna asked Councilwoman Triggiano if she would like to make a comment.

Councilwoman Triggiano thanked her friends and neighbors for their support and promised accessibility and transparency. She said she looked forward to serving the citizens of the Borough.

Mayor Menna asked Councilman Yassin if he would like to make a comment.

Councilman Yassin thanked everyone for coming and thanked them for their support. He said he felt leadership was about responsibility and he hoped to live up to that standard.

Mayor Menna recognized former Red Bank Mayor Edward J. McKenna, former Red Bank Councilmember Arthur V. Murphy, former Asbury Park Mayor Ed Johnson and former Mayor Lucio Cordisco of Maisonneuve, New Brunswick, Canada. He presented each with a Borough of Red Bank pin.

SWEARING IN OF FIRE OFFICIALS:

Mayor Menna swore in the Fire Officials for 2019.

Chief: Wayne Hartman

First Deputy Chief: F. Scott Calabrese

Second Deputy Chief: Robert J. Holiday

Chief Hartman thanked everyone for their attendance and for their support.

RESOLUTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS FOR 2019

19-01 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION ELECTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2019.”

Councilman Zipprich offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Horgan.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

19-02 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.”

Councilman Zipprich made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Horgan.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-03 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND LIAISON APPOINTMENTS FOR 2019.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-04 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES FOR 2019.”

Councilwoman Horgan made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Yassin.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-05 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2019.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-06 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION APPROVING PROTOCOL FOR BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS.”

Councilman Yngstrom made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Horgan

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-07 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING NEWSPAPERS TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF MEETINGS.”

Councilman Yngstrom made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-08 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2019 TEMPORARY BUDGET.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Yassin.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-09 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION APPROVING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman ZipprichHorgan.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-10 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CREATION OF CHANGE FUNDS.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-11 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORYIES FOR THE BOROUGH OF RED BANK.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Yassin.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-12 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT TAXES, UTILITY AND OTHER MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENTS.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Yassin.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-13 Mayor Menna read “RESOLUTION APPOINTING ROBERT W. SWISHER, C.P.A. AS THE BOROUGH’S ACTING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER FROM JANUARY 1, 2019 TO MARCH 1, 2019.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Yassin.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

18-14 Mayor Menna read “RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO SUPLEE, CLOONEY & COMPANY FOR FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING SERVICES.”

Councilman Ballard made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Yassin.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

REMARKS OF MAYOR MENNA

Mayor Menna thanked everyone for coming and wish them a happy and healthy new year. He reviewed major issues from the previous year including the Management Enhancement Review and Report. He said it was the first time the Governing Body had had the courage to review the municipal operation since it had been incorporated. He said, as a result, they were in the process of perfecting the 30 plus recommendations to catapult Red Bank into the next century.

He said he wanted to individually thank the returning members of the Council for their encouragement and service. He thanked the new members for their service. He said the previous year had brought new Administrator that came with a new creative focus.

He said the Borough had applied for several grants in the past year and said they would be applying for more in the coming year. He said construction was up which was good for the economy and for the people who live, work and play in Red Bank. He pointed out the improvement projects under way at the Count Basie Theatre and the Two River Theater as well as a project between Oakland and Chestnut streets.

He said the Council had beefed up the Historic District and had added teeth to the ordinance. He said the Finance Department was on solid footing thanks to Councilman Ballard, the CFO and the Administrator.

He said the most positive news was the Council’s adoption of the Riverside Avenue Redevelopment Plan which would mean \$90 million in new rateables and new affordable housing on a property that did not previously contribute. He also spoke of the benefits of the newly formed Redevelopment Agency.

He praised the Police Chief and the Police Department for their efforts. He thanked the members of the Fire Department and First Aid for their service. He thanked all of the Borough’s departments and highlighted the work of each.

He discussed the Transit Village project and reviewed a proposed campaign called “Shop Red Bank” which would offer credits toward real estate taxes for residents who shopped in town. He said the

Borough was continuing to work with the County in regard to the Shrewsbury Avenue Redevelopment project. He also said it was time to address environmental concerns regarding the river and for the Borough to take a leadership role.

In closing, he said, he wanted to wish everyone a happy and healthy new year and said the Council needed to focus on working together. He thanked everyone for their faith and support.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Zipprich offered a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Horgan.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Yassin, Triggiano, Yngstrom, Ballard, Zipprich and Horgan.

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Borghi