

**MINUTES  
ORGANIZATION MEETING  
JANUARY 3, 2005  
5:30 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mayor McKenna and Council Members Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy and Curley.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Borough Administrator Sickels, Borough Clerk Vivona, Chief Financial Officer Whalen, Attorney Pringle and Engineer Kosenski.

**ABSENT:** Councilman Bifani, Chief Financial Officer Loversidge.

**SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

Mayor McKenna 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 Courier, 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 December 23, 2004.

**INVOCATION** – Reverend Dr. Warner

**SWEARING IN OF – COUNCILWOMAN LEE  
COUNCILMAN BIFANI**

Retired Judge Nicosia issued the oath of office to Councilwoman Lee and Councilman Bifani.

Councilwoman Lee and Councilman Bifani thanked everyone for their support and said they looked forward to their terms as Council Members.

Mayor McKenna said that he looks forward to working with Councilwoman Lee and Councilman Bifani and commended and thanked them for running for office and said that they must give up a lot of their personal time to serve on the Council.

Councilwoman Beck also congratulated them on their election.

**RESOLUTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS FOR 2005**

05-01 Mayor McKenna read “A RESOLUTION ELECTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2005.”

Mr. Murphy offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Curley.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Beck, Lee, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Menna

There being five ayes, no nays and one abstention, the resolution was declared approved.

05-02 Mayor McKenna read “A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ENGINEER.”

Mr. Bifani offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Murphy.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

**NAYS:** None

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

05-03 Mayor McKenna read "A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH AUDITOR."

Mr. Curley offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Menna.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

NAYS: None

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

05-04 Mayor McKenna read "A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ATTORNEY."

Mayor McKenna said that Mr. O'Connor is retiring and that we would be appointing Ken Pringle as our Borough Attorney but Mr. O'Connor would continue as Special Counsel to finish any projects he was working on.

Mr. Menna offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Bifani.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

NAYS: None

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

05-05 Mayor McKenna read "A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS FOR 2005."

Mr. Menna offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Murphy.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

NAYS: None

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

05-06 Mayor McKenna read "A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING TIME AND PLACE OF BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2005."

Mr. Murphy offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Bifani.

Councilman Curley said he was involved with a petition to change the Council Meetings to 7 p.m. so that residents that worked could attend the meetings. He said he would support the resolution even though only half of the meetings are 7:30 and the rest are 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

NAYS: None

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

05-07 Mayor McKenna read "A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING NEWSPAPERS TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF MEETINGS."

Councilman Bifani said that he thinks we should use this opportunity to work with other newspapers and would discuss this with the Borough Clerk.

Mr. Bifani offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Murphy.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

NAYS: None

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

05-08 Mayor McKenna read "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2005 TEMPORARY BUDGET."

Ms. Beck offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Curley

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

NAYS: None

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

#### **REMARKS OF MAYOR MCKENNA**

Mayor McKenna said 2004 was a good year and that we had a lot of personnel changes. He thanked all of the Department Heads, volunteers in the Red Bank Fire Department, residents that volunteer on the various boards and the Council Members for their hard work and commitment to the Borough. He said that we would miss Mr. O'Connor and Councilman Hintelmann and sent them best wishes upon their retirement. He said that in 2005 we would have a number of tough issues to deal with and thanked the citizens of Red Bank for their continued support. He said it is an honor to serve as Mayor and said that Red Bank is viewed as a model community by other municipalities in the State. He wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

**BENEDICTION** – Reverend Dr. Warner

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Menna offered a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Bifani.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Beck, Lee, Menna, Bifani, Murphy, Curley

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the meeting was declared adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Vivona