

TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
JANUARY 7, 2014
RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by Acting Municipal Clerk Lynda Knott. Ms. Knott stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided according to the Open Public Meetings Act, Assembly Bill 1030. Notice was sent to the New Jersey Herald on January 23, 2013 and was placed on the Official Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building.

Ms. Knott led the public in the salute to the American Flag.

Ms. Knott invited Pastor Todd Littig of Harmony Hill Methodist Church to provide an invocation.

Jeffrey M. Parrott, Sussex County Clerk, was present to read the Statement of Determination and announced that at the last general election, Mr. Charles M. Gross and Mr. Timmy Lee Fisher were duly elected to the Township Committee for a three-year term each. Mr. Parrott administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Fisher, congratulating him and wishing all well. Mr. Gross was sworn in earlier in the day by Acting Municipal Clerk Lynda Knott.

Roll Call indicated the following members present: Ms. Chammings, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Gross, Mrs. Straway, and Mr. Scott.

Election of Mayor/Chairperson:

Ms. Knott called for nominations for Mayor. Mrs. Straway nominated Mr. Scott. There were no other nominations so nominations were closed. A **motion** was made by **Mrs. Straway**, seconded by **Ms. Chammings** to elect Mr. Scott as Mayor. Mr. Scott accepted as Mayor of Stillwater Township for 2014 and was sworn in.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Chammings, yes, Mr. Fisher, yes, Mr. Gross, yes, Mrs. Straway, yes, Mayor Scott, yes

The meeting was turned over to Mayor Scott.

Election of Deputy Mayor:

A **motion** was made by **Mrs. Straway**, seconded by **Mayor Scott** to elect Mr. Fisher as Deputy Mayor. There being no other nominations, nominations were closed and Mr. Fisher accepted as Deputy Mayor for Stillwater Township for 2014.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Chammings, yes, Mr. Fisher, yes, Mr. Gross, abstain, Mrs. Straway, yes, Mayor Scott, yes

CONSENT AGENDA:

ALL MATTERS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE IN NATURE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF ANY DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT PARTICULAR ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPERATELY ON THE REGULAR AGENDA.

Resolutions

2014-001	Adopting Schedule of 2014 Meetings
2014-002	Designating the Official Newspapers
2014-003	Authorizing Awards of Non-Fair and Open Contracts for Professional Services
2014-004	Authorizing the Cancellation of Tax Overpayment or Delinquent Amounts
2014-005	Fixing the Rate of Interest
2014-006	Temporary Budget
2014-007	Establishing Mileage Reimbursement
2014-008	Adopting Cash Management Plan for 2014
2014-009	Authorizing the CFO to Invest Idle Funds
2014-010	Authorizing the CFO to Sell Bond Anticipation Notes and Bonds
2014-011	Establishing Interest Rates for Delinquent Property Taxes and Assessments
2014-012	Establishing 2014 Holiday Schedule
2014-013	Approving Mayor's Appointments of Township Officers with Committee Concurrence
2014-014	Approving Appointments of Boards and Commissions with Committee Concurrence
2014-015	Establishing Committee Departments
2014-016	Appointing Tax Assessor & Attorney to Represent Township before County Tax Board
2014-017	Striking the 2014 Tax Rate for Funding Open Space Trust Fund
2014-018	Authorizing the CFO or Tax Collector to Impose Service Charge for Checks Returned
2014-019	Authorizing Signatures on Checks

Mayor Scott made a **motion** to pull Resolutions 2014-014 and 2014-015 from the Consent Agenda, seconded by **Mr. Gross**. In a voice vote all were in favor.

Resolutions 2014-014 and 2014-015 were pulled for further discussion.

Mrs. Straway made a **motion** to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of 2014-014 and 2014-015, seconded by **Mr. Fisher**.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Chammings, yes, Mr. Fisher, yes, Mr. Gross, yes, Mrs. Straway, yes, Mayor Scott, yes

Amendments to the Agenda:

Discussion of Resolutions 2014-014 and 2014-015.

Open Public Session:

The meeting was opened to the public. There being no members of the public wishing to speak this portion of the meeting was closed.

New Business:

Resolution 2014-015 Establishing Committee Departments: Mayor Scott would like to table the liaison appointments until the January 21, 2014 meeting to give him time to discuss them with the Committee members. Due to upcoming meetings before the next Committee meeting, Ms. Chammings will be liaison to the Road Department and Mrs. Straway will be liaison to the League of Municipalities. Ms. Chammings stated there will be a water quality meeting she will attend, but following that meeting, she can no longer be liaison due to conflicts at work. Ms. Chammings asked to have the liaison to the Green Team also be listed.

Resolution 2014-014 Approving Appointments of Boards and Commissions with Committee

Concurrence: Mr. Gross stated there are a few mistakes that need correcting with the Zoning Board. The corrections will be made and the resolution will be approved as amended.

Ms. Chammings made a **motion** to approve Resolution 2014-014 as amended, seconded by **Mr. Fisher**.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Chammings, yes, Mr. Fisher, yes, Mr. Gross, yes, Mrs. Straway, yes, Mayor Scott, yes

The Committee members offered thanks and well wishes for the New Year.

There being no further business, **Mr. Fisher** made a **motion** to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting, seconded by **Ms. Chammings**. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Knott