



The Reorganization meeting for the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone was held on Thursday, January 2, 2025 at the Municipal Complex, 1 School Street, Peapack, New Jersey 07977 and began at 7:06 PM.

Mayor Corigliano wished everyone a Happy New Year, and welcomed everyone to the Reoganization Meeting of 2025.

Mayor Corigliano called the meeting to order. Borough Clerk Nancy Bretzger read the Sunshine Notice "Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Adequate notice of 2025 Meeting Dates was published in the Courier News and Bernardsville News on December 5, 2024, and posted at the Municipal Complex. Action may be taken."

Mayor Corigliano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Emeritus Greg Skinner led the Invocation and offered a prayer.

Mayor Corigliano swore in Jamie Murphy as a Councilwoman and John Sweeney as a Councilman, their terms expire on December 31, 2027.

Nancy Bretzger began roll call with Councilwoman Weible not being in attendance. It passed unanimously and then Mayor Corigliano began comments from the Council and Mayor.

### **MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Corigliano began by playing an audio recording sent by Senator Cory Booker to demonstrate how positively he feels about the Council and their efforts to serve the Borough. The audio describes that having people who dedicate their lives to being a servant of the public is one of the greatest opportunities in one's lifetime. To be able to give everything they have for the place they live is truly wonderful and thanks all public servants for the time they give to the people they serve. He ended his comments by hoping they can all have a good year together.

Councilwoman Murphy thanked her family for putting with how much time she puts into the Borough. She spoke about the people who support her, like friends and volunteer organizations. She thanked the Council and all of the volunteers she has worked with in the organization. She also stated she walks the town often and feels a sense of pride in how well it looks and how happy the people are here. She ended by saying she is looking forward to another three years.

Councilman Sweeney said he will keep his comments brief and stated he is happy to have the support of the public works staff, police, and the fire department. He thanked his family for their continued support of him. He stated in 2024 he thought it was going to be a challenging year, but for different reasons than what he thought. With protests, an earthquake, and the ongoing drone issues in 2024, his hope is that 2025 is a regular normal year and ended his comments.





Councilman Silva kept his comments brief by thanking Jamie and the other members of the Council for guiding him on his first year with the Council.

Councilman Quartello said he will echo Councilman Silva's thoughts, and congratulated Murphy and Sweeney for the election to their positions.

Councilwoman Sueta congratulated Murphy and Sweeney as well and said she was happy to be able to work with them more while moving toward the future.

Mayor and Council Comments ended shortly after.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Commissioner Janelle Robinson, Somerset County, attended the meeting and stated she was looking forward to the year with this Council. She stated this is what she wants from her public officials and is excited for what will be brought to the public this year.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was brought forth for discussion.

### RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION 1-25** RESOLUTION FOR ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT BY GOVERNING BODY FOR YEAR 2025

Mayor Corigliano asked for nominations for a Council President. Councilman Quartello nominated John Sweeney for Council President, which was seconded by Councilman Silva. Mayor Corigliano asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1-25. The motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, and was seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Roll call was taken by Clerk Nancy Bretzger and it passed with an abstain by Councilman Sweeney. Councilman Sweeney was appointed to Council President and was congratulated by the public.

**RESOLUTION 2-25** RESOLUTION FOR COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2025

Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy and seconded by Councilman Quartello. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 3-25** RESOLUTION FOR EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2025





Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy and seconded by Councilman Quartello. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 4-25** RESOLUTION APPOINTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONSULTANTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PFAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2025

Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Councilman Quartello and seconded by Council President Sweeney. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 5-25** RESOLUTION FOR MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2025

Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Council President Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Quartello. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 6-25** RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LAND USE BOARD (LUB) Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Councilman Quartello and seconded by Councilman Silva. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 7-25** RESOLUTION APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Council President Sweeney and seconded by Councilman SIIva. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 8-25** RESOLUTION FOR TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR OPERATING PURPOSES

Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy and seconded by Councilman Quartello. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 9-25** RESOLUTION FOR CERTIFYING PAYROLL FOR PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEES WHOSE WAGES OR COMPENSATION IS ON AN HOURLY BASIS

Mayor Corigliano asked for motion to pass for the resolution. A motion was made by Council President Sweeney and seconded by Councilwoman Murphy. Clerk Nancy Bretzger took roll call which passed unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA – Resolutions R-10-25 through R-12-25 and Resolutions R-14-25 through R-28-25** will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. Motion made Councilman Silva and Seconded by Councilman Quartello to adopt the Consent Agenda, roll call was taken, and was passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 10-25** RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION OF CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14

**RESOLUTION 11-25** AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE TAX COLLECTOR TO PROCESS THE CANCELLATION OF ANY PROPERTY TAX REFUND, SEWER TAX REFUND OR DELINQUENCY IN THE AMOUNT LESS THAN \$10.00

**RESOLUTION 12-25** RESOLUTION NAMING OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES OF THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE AND AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES ON DEPOSITORY ACCOUNTS





RESOLUTION 14-25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE TAX
COLLECTOR TO FIX A PENALTY ON DELINQUENT TAXES AND ALLOWING FOR A TEN-DAY GRACE PERIOD FOR
EACH QUARTERLY DUE DATE OF TAX PAYMENT

**RESOLUTION 15-25** RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING BILLING DATES FOR BUSINESS AND BULK SEWER USERS IN THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

RESOLUTION 16-25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE TO FIX DUE DATES, GRACE PERIOD AND LATE PAYMENT PENALTY ON RESIDENTIAL SEWER ACCOUNT BILLING RESOLUTION 17-25 RESOLUTION REESTABLISHING A PETTY CASH FUND FOR 2025 FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

**RESOLUTION 18-25** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPECIFIC PAYMENTS THAT CAN BE MADE OUTSIDE OF A MEETING

**RESOLUTION 19-25** RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM CLAIMANT CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT POLICY FOR 2025 **RESOLUTION 20-25** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CONDUCT AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE

**RESOLUTION 21-25** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE TAX ASSESSOR AND BOROUGH ATTORNEY TO FILE AN ASSESSOR'S PETITION TO REVISE ANY INCORRECT ITEMS IN THE 2024 TAX LIST

RESOLUTION 22-25 RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR OF THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE NANCY A. BRETZGER AS CERTIFYING AGENT FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM, POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM RESOLUTION 23-25 DESIGNATING NANCY A. BRETZGER AS THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

**RESOLUTION 24-25** RESOLUTION APPOINTING FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND **RESOLUTION 25-25** RESOLUTION APPOINTING SARAH JANE NOLL AS CERTIFIED RECYCLING PROFESSIONAL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE

RESOLUTION 26-25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LEASE WITH MELICK LEBANON FARM, LLC FOR THE USE OF THE FACILITY AS A FIRING RANGE FOR WEAPONS QUALIFICATIONS AT THE COST OF \$1 PER YEAR RESOLUTION 27-25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE 2024 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

**RESOLUTION 28-25** RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE BERNARDSVILLE NEWS AND THE COURIER NEWS AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

That concluded the discussion and approval of the Resolutions.

**RESOLUTION 13-25** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH TREASURER TO PURCHASE CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT FROM THE FOLLOWING BANKS WHICH ARE HEREBY DESIGNATED AS DEPOSITORIES FOR FUNDS OF THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

Councilwoman Sueta requested this resolution be pulled for a closer examination. A motion was made for discussion by Council President Sweeney, and was seconded by Councilwoman Murphy. Councilwoman Sueta began the discussion by asking why those specific banks are designated as depositories. It was confirmed that they were chosen because they were local to Peapack and Gladstone. Councilwoman Sueta was satisfied with that answer and a roll call was taken, which was passed unanimously.





### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Corigliano opened to the public for any comments. When no one came forth to speak the meeting carried on.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Corigliano called for a motion to Adjourn. The motion was made by Council President Sweeney and was seconded by Councilwoman Murphy, and was passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk