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The Reorganization meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone was held on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at the Municipal Complex, 1 School Street, Peapack, New Jersey and virtually via GoTo Meetings and began at 7:00p.m.

Mayor Skinner welcomed everyone to the 2023 Reorganization meeting. He stated that former Mayor Mueller was in the audience. He thanked everyone for coming and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mayor Skinner called the meeting to order. Borough Clerk Nancy Bretzger read the Sunshine Notice "Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Adequate notice of 2023 Meeting Dates was published in the Courier News and Bernardsville News on December 8, 2022 and posted at the Municipal Complex and the Borough Library. Action may be taken."

Mayor Skinner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reverend Kent Walley of St. Luke's Episcopal Church led the Invocation and offered a prayer.

Borough Attorney, John Bruder, Esq. swore in Mayor Elect Mark A. Corigliano, Term expires December 31, 2026.

Borough Attorney, John Bruder, swore in Councilman Elect Eric L. Quartello, Term expires December 31, 2025.

Borough Attorney, John Bruder, swore in Councilwoman Elect Jill Weible, Term expires December 31, 2025.

Roll Call indicated the following present: Councilwoman Dietrich, Councilman Lemma, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Quartello Councilman Sweeney, Councilwoman Jill Weible, virtual and Mayor Corigilano

Also present were: Mr. John Bruder, Esq., Borough Attorney, Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk/Administrator and Suzie Givone, Deputy Clerk.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Corigliano presented a proclamation to GianPaolo (GP) Caminiti, for his dedicated service as Council person for the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone having served three terms from 2014 to 2022.

Councilman Caminiti stated the honor in servicing never has diminished. He said it got stronger as the years went by and he feels that is attributed for the need for community. He looks forward to the new Council and the continued good work they do.

Mayor Corigliano presented a proclamation to Gregory J. Skinner Mayor for his dedicated service as Mayor to the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone. Greg has led the Borough for a four-year term and where Greg has had a presence in the Municipal Building for 42 years. The town and residences appreciate all that Greg as done to make the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone a better place to live.





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Mayor Corigliano presented him with a commemorative gavel plaque for outstanding leadership from 2019 to 2022.

Greg's sister Sarah Johansen and Greg's father Mr. Skinner were invited to unveil the portrait of Mayor Skinner's Picture on the Mayor's Wall.

Mayor Skinners remarks:

"Congratulations Mayor Corigliano on your swearing in as our new Mayor. I know you are excited to hit the ground running. I wish you all the best and much success in your new role. Thank you for all of the help, guidance and support you have provided during my term. I always valued your thoughts and ideas. I want to welcome the newest members, Jill and Erik to the Council. Thank you for stepping up and wanting to serve our wonderful community as elected officials. Congratulations to my "schoolmate" GP for all the years of service you have provided to Peapack & Gladstone. Fellow Councilmembers, I am truly honored by the Proclamation you have done for me. Thank you so much. I cannot tell you how honored I am. It has been great to work alongside of all of you these last 4 yours. We have gotten a lot accomplished. As I look at my portrait which is now hanging with the 14 mayors who proceeded me and I think how this is possible? I used to eat lunch in this room when it was the cafeteria and we dissected worms and frogs in here as the science room. I am quite certain many of the members of the Class of 1979 would not believe it if you told them one of the 21 would become Mayor. All of this would not have been possible with a lot of help along the way. Starting with my parents, Elizabeth and John Skinner. My dad who just turned 96 last month is here with us tonight, and unfortunately, my mom could not be here. Thank you, Mom and Dad you Mom and Dad, you built a great foundation for me to work with and as you just heard from the Borough Council, I guess I did alright. My Sister Sarah is also here. She is my biggest cheerleader and supporter. I always know she has my back. My children Abigail and John who are watching from afar tonight have for almost 20 years lived in the public eye because of their father. As elected officials we make policy and budgets. It is the Borough staff who carry out the mission and provide all the required statutory services as well as providing for the safety and recreation to the public. They are the face of the Borough to the residents and businesses because they are getting all the jobs done. I cannot forget all the members of volunteer boards and commissions. All of you are definitely providing your support behind the scenes. And finally, thank you to the residents of Peapack & Gladstone. 4 years ago you had a choice in who to pick as your Mayor. You decided to give me your trust and awesome responsibility to represent you as Mayor. I never lost sight of that and I thank you for the privilege. I hope I have lived up to my end of contract. "





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COUNCIL COMMENTS, Newly Elected Officials, Other Members of the Council

Mayor Corigliano "The Mayor read an inauguration speech (copy appended to these minutes) in which he recognized the historic significance of the Swearing In ceremony, acknowledged his thanks and appreciation for being appointed, and reiterated his commitment to the Borough and that of his Council colleagues. He then thanked the outgoing Mayor Greg Skinner, outgoing Councilman GP Caminiti, the Council, co-workers and employees of the Borough, Borough volunteers, particularly those in Emergency Services, the Borough's professionals, the residents and his wife, Carolynne. He concluded by calling out the significance of local government and what is accomplished on the local level."

Councilman Quartello stated it is an honor to be a member of this Council. He is very grateful for this opportunity. He thanked the residents for making it a reality and for their support. He said it is a privilege and one he holds in a very high regard. He said Peapack Gladstone is very special. It has been his home for over a decade and where he and his wife are raising their family. He would like to ensure, during his term, to continue to maintain the traditions that make this town so unique. He wants to continue the open space and historical preservation. He is looking forward to working with everyone. He thanked outgoing Mayor Skinner and Councilman GP Caminiti for their service and they leave very big shoes to fill.

Councilwoman Weible stated she is honored to be a Borough of Peapack and Gladstone elected official. She moved to PG in 2015 with her family and they fell in love with this town. She would like to preserve the beauty of the town. She wanted to get involved to make sure things will stay the way they are. She knows she can help with things. She thanked outgoing Mayor Greg Skinner and Councilman GP Caminiti for their service and she is honored to be a part of this. She feels this team will work harmoniously together. She is grateful for the opportunity. She is a mom of two younger children and she thanks her family for their support and she is looking forward to getting to know the community a little better.

Councilwoman Murphy thanked outgoing Mayor Skinner for his years of service. She said it is remarkable how you have dedicated your life to this town. She said it has been a pleasure working with Greg. She thanked Councilman GP Caminiti for all he has taught her in their two terms together. Your dedication to town is also very special. She is excited to work with Councilman Quartello and Councilwoman Weible. She is proud to be part of this team and looks forward to things they can get done. It is a unique and special community and all of us up here understand that.

Councilman Sweeney he is looking forward to working with everyone on the dias to keep Peapack & Gladstone one of the best towns in New Jersey. He welcomed Councilman Quartello and Councilwoman Weible to the Board.





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Actual meeting may contain discussion of items not mentioned on the agenda and alternatively any items specifically listed may be omitted. He thanked each Councilperson for their accomplishments throughout the past year. Councilman GP Caminiti is to be honored for his years of service and his efforts to lower the electric bills in town. He thanked outgoing Mayor Skinner, Chief Ferrante, Sargent Scanlon, Corporal Duff and Detective Caruso for their efforts this year for putting together a phenomenal presentation to bring us to full strength with our police department. He thanked all the employees and volunteers for all the time they put in. He looks forward to a great 2023.

Councilwoman Dietrich congratulated the outgoing members of our Council and Mayor and incoming members in their roles. She looks forward to working with everyone up on the dias. She said as she reflects on what happens up here, nothing happens as one person. It is always a discussion, a group effort of expertise and knowledge and perspective. She looks forward in continuing that in the upcoming next year and throughout the rest of everyone's terms. She said it is important to draw from each other; there is so much yet to explore for our community. She looks forward to another productive year.

Councilman Lemma stated this brings him back to the time he was going to make a big presentation in front of the Board of Directors and he was scared out of his wits and he remembers from someone he trusted said to him be brief, be bold and be gone. With that in mind he said sitting on the Council has been an interesting mix of frustrations, triumphs, and joy. It is the joy in meeting members of the Community and having a part in helping them and in meeting the staff and especially volunteers. He looks forward to his role as Liaison to the Fire and First Aid squad in the coming year. He recognized Councilman GP Caminiti for his ability to be able to get right to the heart of it with complex issues. To the outgoing Mayor Skinner he said his dedication to this community has thoroughly impressed him. He thanked his family and their dedication. He also thanked everyone for their support while his daughter was sick a couple year ago. He said this Council is a shining example of how elected bodies could and should act. Partisan politics has never come into our deliberations. We come up with solutions as a team. He looks forward to working with Councilwoman Weible and Councilman Quartello and having you as part of our team.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: 5 MINUTES PER PERSON – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public one came forward.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 1-23 RESOLUTION FOR ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT BY GOVERNING BODY FOR YEAR 2023 Councilman Quartello nominated Councilman John Sweeney for Council President, seconded by Councilwoman Weible. Roll call taken, said motion was carried unanimously.





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RESOLUTION 2-23 RESOLUTION FOR COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2023, motion made by Councilman Lemma; seconded by Councilwoman Dietrich, roll call taken, said motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 3-23 RESOLUTION FOR EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2023, motion made by Councilman Sweeney, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy, roll call take, said motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 4-23 RESOLUTION APPOINTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONSULTANTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2023, motion was made by Councilwoman Dietrich, seconded by Councilman Sweeney, roll call taken, said motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 5-23 RESOLUTION FOR MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE DURING THE YEAR 2023, motion was made by Councilman Sweeney, seconded by Councilwoman Dietrich, roll call taken, said motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 6-23 RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LAND USE BOARD (LUB), Councilman Quartello nominated Councilman John Sweeney, seconded by Councilman Lemma, roll call taken, said vote carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 7-23 RESOLUTION APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT, motion made by Councilman Sweeney, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy, roll call taken, said vote carried unam

RESOLUTION 8-23 RESOLUTION FOR TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR OPERATING PURPOSES, motion made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Lemma, roll call taken, said vote carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION 9-23** RESOLUTION FOR CERTIFYING PAYROLL FOR PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEES WHOSE WAGES OR

COMPENSATION IS ON AN HOURLY BASIS, motion made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Lemma, roll call taken, said vote carried unanimously.

<u>CONSENT AGENDA</u> – Resolutions R-10-23 through R-28-23 they will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. Motion made by Councilwoman Murphy to adopt the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilman Sweeney, roll call taken, said vote carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 10-23 RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION OF CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 **RESOLUTION 11-23** 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 12-23 RESOLUTION NAMING OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES OF THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE AND AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES ON DEPOSITORY ACCOUNTS

RESOLUTION 13-23 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

RESOLUTION 14-23 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 15-23 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING BILLING DATES FOR BUSINESS AND BULK SEWER USERS IN THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE





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RESOLUTION 16-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE TO FIX DUE DATES, GRACE PERIOD AND LATE PAYMENT PENALTY ON RESIDENTIAL SEWER ACCOUNT BILLING

RESOLUTION 17-23 RESOLUTION REESTABLISHING A PETTY CASH FUND FOR 2023 FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

RESOLUTION 18-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPECIFIC PAYMENTS THAT CAN BE MADE OUTSIDE OF A MEETING

RESOLUTION 19-23 RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM CLAIMANT CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT POLICY FOR 2023

RESOLUTION 20-32 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CONDUCT AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE

RESOLUTION 21-23 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 2022 TAX LIST **RESOLUTION 22-23** 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 23-23 DESIGNATING NANCY A. BRETZGER AS THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

RESOLUTION 24-23 RESOLUTION APPOINTING FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND **RESOLUTION 25-23** RESOLUTION APPOINTING SARAH JANE NOLL AS CERTIFIED RECYCLING PROFESSIONAL FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE

RESOLUTION 26-23 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 27-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE 2022 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND DESIGNATING SARAH JANE NOLL AS RECYCLING COORDINATOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE **RESOLUTION 28-23** RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE BERNARDSVILLE NEWS AND THE COURSER NEWS AS THE

RESOLUTION 28-23 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE BERNARDSVILLE NEWS AND THE COURIER NEWS AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 3 MINUTES PER PERSON – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No public came forward.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Sweeney made motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Dietrich, roll call taken, said vote carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk

Inaugural Acceptance Speech Mark A. Corigliano 3January, 2023

The swearing in of Jill, Eric and myself, tonight is indeed a solemn and significant occasion. We have come to take the 'swearing in' tradition for granted as similar proceedings routinely occur on all levels of government. The orderly transfer of authority is a process directed by our Constitution and its significance should not be overlooked. It is an honorable tradition that has gone on for nearly 250 years. It is not common to all governments, democratic or otherwise, and demonstrates how civil, just and virtuous our society can be. It is indicative of the unique people that we, as Americans are and I hope you all appreciate the meaning of what just occurred as much as do I.

I am honored to have been selected by my fellow townspeople as your Mayor. It is a position I take most seriously and in which I shall strive to do my absolute best, serving a town I am truly passionate about. I commit to management of our local government with integrity, professionalism, and accountability. I am dedicated to continuing the work I did as a Councilperson and Council President, that is, to insure we continue to enjoy the safe, attractive, and affordable place we all call home. I fully appreciate how hard this work is and am up to the challenge. I am not daunted by the office and shall live up to its demands.

I can wholly assure you that the fine folks sitting here on the dais are fiercely committed to these same objectives as well. I have worked with the incumbent Councilmembers for years and know them well. I have also gotten to know Eric and Jill over the last ten months and believe we can expect the same from them. We have worked well together in a cooperative, civil and non-partisan way and expect that we will continue to do so. This interaction and reaching a democratic consensus when we do disagree is one of the highlights of my work as a Councilmember.

I am so very appreciative of the many people and groups that allow me the privilege of public service and with whom I serve, so please indulge me as I extend my gratitude.

First to Mayor Greg Skinner. Greg took our government to a new level, and I can unequivocally say that the most recent Council I served on under Greg was the best in my nine years as a Councilmember. Greg leaves big shoes for me to fill. Thank you, my colleague and friend.

Second to GianPaolo (or GP) Caminiti. GP and I formerly served on the Land Use Board, ran together in 2013 for Council, and then ran two subsequent times thereafter. We saw eye to eye on most issues, but when we did not, were able to rationally come to harmony. GP, I shall miss your insights and working with you very much.

My thanks to the incumbent Councilmembers sitting here. It has been an honor and privilege working with you and I look forward to doing so going forward. My thanks also to Tim Howes and Karen Sweeney who encouraged my running for Mayor and supported that effort.

A shout out to my coworkers, that is, our incredible administration and staff lead by Administrator Nancy Bretzger. From our stellar Police force to DPW to Finance and all the other departments that toil in the background, my heartfelt thanks.

Thanks to our Borough volunteers, especially those in the emergency services, Fire and First Aid. You all serve with excellence and save our residents not only from disasters but from a great financial burden should we have to pay for the services you so unselfishly provide. Thank you as well to our committee volunteers from the Land Use Board to Recreation to Historic Preservation and all those in between. Your efforts are so valued and appreciated.

Thank you to our Borough Professionals from our attorneys, John Bruder and Roger Thomas along with Bill Ryden, John Szabo and others. Your professional and sage guidance helps keep us on track and keeps P&G the very special town it is.

Thank you to our residents and taxpayers. Not one of us ever forgets that the taxes you pay, either directly or indirectly are earned, post-income tax dollars that you work hard to afford. Be assured that your Mayor, Council and Borough employees all work diligently to keep P&G affordable and manage costs pragmatically. Know that this task is not easy in spite of us being a small town

with its smaller tax base. We still are statutorily required to provide the same essential services, and oftentimes more, as our larger neighbors. We are constantly working to do more with less.

Lastly, my deepest thanks and love to my wife, Carolynne. Make no mistake that I could not nearly be as effective in my work here if it were not for the unconditional and unwavering support from this remarkable woman. Carolynne knows best how to support me in my Borough work, whether it be bringing dinner to my desk unasked as I work on timely Borough matters, or simply calming me when confronting a troubling issue. Indeed, like all of us in one way or another, I have my eccentricities (ponytail) and my love in life and best friend knows how to handle them with grace and give me balance. Thank you, Roni.

In closing, I would ask that everyone not lose sight of the significance of what we do here. Through our actions, we contribute to the political history of our great nation and change does indeed start on Main St. If we should see areas in higher government that could use improvement, know that the examples of good governance exhibited here in Peapack & Gladstone do indeed have an influence on how higher government operates. Have faith in America. Her best days are yet to come.

Thank you for your attendance this evening...residents, staff, volunteers, friends, and family. I speak for all my colleagues when I say that your presence here means so much to all of us.

So, to my colleagues on the dias: Onward and Forward. Let's get to work!