

**Township of Franklin
Township Committee Meeting Minutes
January 1, 2020**

Call to Order:

Time: 1:00 PM

Mr. Deegan: Present

Mrs. Flaim: Present

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Present

Mayor Bruno: Present

Salute to the Flag:

The Township Administrator led the Salute to the Flag.

Open Public Meetings Act Statement:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was forwarded to the official Township newspapers, posted on the bulletin board and Township Website on December 27, 2017. This meeting is being videotaped and will be on Channel 9.

Mrs. Freijomil announced the results of the November 5, 2020 General Election, electing Mrs. Petsch-Wilson and Mr. Deegan to a three-year term on the Township Committee.

Mrs. Freijomil called for the swearing in of Mrs. Petsch-Wilson and Mr. Deegan to a three-year term on the Township Committee. Mr. Van Drew swore them into office.

Mrs. Freijomil called for the nomination of a Mayor of the Township Committee for the year 2020.

Nomination for Mayor of Franklin Township: John Bruno

Motion: Flaim

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Nomination for Deputy Mayor of Franklin Township: Heather Flaim

Motion: Flaim

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Proclamation Honoring Joan Sorbello Adams on her Retirement as Judge.

Motion R-1-20 Designating the Appointments to Specific Administrative Positions and Confirming Said Appointments for the Year 2020 Commissions and Task Forces

Motion: Flaim

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-2-20 Appointing John Armano Solicitor for the Township of Franklin

Motion: Flaim

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-3-20 Appointing CME Township Engineer For the Township of Franklin For the Year 2020

Motion: Flaim

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-4-20 Appointing Holman, Frenia, Allison, PC as Township Accountants/Auditors for the Township of Franklin for the Year 2020

Motion: Flaim

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-5-20 Appointing Malamut & Associates Special Counsel for Bond Services for 2020

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

R-6-20 Appointing Assured Partners Insurance Broker for the Township of Franklin For the Year 2020, Pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq)

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-7-20 Appointing CME and Fralinger Engineers Township as Special Projects Engineer for 2020

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-8-20 Appointing CME as Special Planner for 2020

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-9-20 Appointing Leah Vassallo Prosecutor for the Township of Franklin Municipal Court for the Year 2020, Pursuant to Local Public Contracts Laws (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) and In Accordance With Public Law 1996, c. 95, Section 14 (NJSA 2B 12-1, et al)

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-10-20 Appointing a Fund Commissioner for the Tri-County Joint Insurance Fund

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-11-20 Appointing Barbara Freijomil as Public Agency Compliance Officer- Affirmative Action

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-12-20 Designating Official Depositories for the Township of Franklin

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-13-20 Authorizing the Official Depositories to Honor, Pay Any and All Drafts, Checks or Orders of the Township of Franklin Drawn and Countersigned by the Proper Officers of the Township

Motion: Flaim
Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-14-20 Setting Regular Meetings of the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin for the Year 2020, Authorizing and Direction the Clerk of the Township of Franklin to Post and File a Schedule of all Meetings as Required by the Open Public Meetings Act of 1985; Designating Certain Newspapers to Receive Notices of Meetings as Required Under the Open Public Meetings Act, and Designating the South Jersey Times and the Courier Post as the Official Newspapers

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-15-20 Appointing Township Boards, Commissions, and Task Forces

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-16-20 Fixing a Penalty to be Charged for Non-Payment of Taxes Assessed and Levied, and Dates for Payments

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-17-20 Adopting a Form Required to be Use for the Filing of Notices of Tort Claim against the Township of Franklin in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Acts

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-18-20 Establishing a Cash Management Plan

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-20-20 Authorizing the Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer to Conduct an Electronic Tax Lien Sale

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-20-20 Authorizing the Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer to Cancel Tax Overpayments or Delinquent Amounts Less than \$10.00

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

R-21-20 Appointing Assured Partners Risk Management Consultant Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund for 2020

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

R-22-20 Appointing Conflict Prosecutors for the Township of Franklin Joint Municipal Court for the Year 2020

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

R-23-20 Appointing Conflict Public Defenders for the Township of Franklin Joint Municipal Court for the Year 2020

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

R-24-20 Appointing William Golden as the Judge for the Franklin Joint Municipal Court

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

R-25-20 Appointing Cynthia LoGuidice as Temporary Chief Financial Officer

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-26-20 Approving the Temporary Budget Appropriations for the Year 2020

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

R-23-20 Appointing Leah Vassallo Special Projects Solicitor for the Year 2020

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Introduction of O-1-20 Establishing the Salaries and Wages of Municipal Officials and Employees of the Township of Franklin

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Introduction of O-2-20 Amending and Adopting Personnel Policies, Chapter 92, Article 92-6 of the Code of the Township of Franklin

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Introduction of O-3-20 Amending and Adopting Personnel Policies, Chapter 92, Article 92-7 of the Code of the Township of Franklin

Motion: Flaim Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes Mayor Bruno: Yes

Public Portion:

Motion to Open: Deegan Second: Flaim

No one came forward.

Motion To Close: Petsch-Wilson Second: Flaim

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson thanked her family and friends for supporting her through the re-election. She said she will work for the good of the residents of the Township.

Mr. Deegan thanked his family and the community for reelecting Ms. Petsch-Wilson and himself and for the opportunity to serve.

Mrs. Flaim thanked her family and said she comes from a long line of family that serves. She thanked Mr. Van Drew for swearing her and Mayor Bruno into office.

Mayor Bruno thanked the Township Committee for electing him Mayor. He thanked his family for their support and looks forward to serving the residents of Franklin Township.

Adjournment:

Motion: Petsch-Wilson

Second: Flaim

Time: 1:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Freijomil
Municipal Clerk