

January 2, 2019

The Annual Organization meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 7pm. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

Municipal Clerk Fedish called the meeting to order stating that it was being held in compliance with the Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 231, Sections 4 & 13.

Members Present: Committeemen O’Leary, Hughes, Corcoran, Henderson and Bruning

Members Absent None

Municipal Clerk AnnaRose Fedish administered the Oath of Office to Committeeman O’Leary.

Nominations for Mayor for 2019. Hughes nominated Bruning and Corcoran seconded the nomination. Further nominations were called for and there being none, Mr. Bruning was declared Mayor for 2019. Municipal Clerk Fedish administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Bruning.

Mayor Bruning called for nominations for Deputy Mayor. Corcoran nominated Henderson and Hughes seconded the nomination. Further nominations were called for and there being none, Mr. Henderson was declared Deputy Mayor for 2019. Municipal Clerk Fedish administered the Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Henderson.

Motion by Corcoran, seconded by Henderson, to continue holding regular meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Lafayette Township Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ with the exception of the first meetings in June and November which shall be held on the first Wednesday of the month due to elections. Motion carried by roll call vote: O’Leary-yes, Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Bruning-yes.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Corcoran, to designate the New Jersey Herald and the Sunday Herald as the official newspapers for the Township of Lafayette. Motion carried by roll call vote: O’Leary-yes, Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Bruning-yes.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Corcoran, to adopt the following Resolution:  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the Lakeland Bank and New Jersey Cash Management Fund be designated as the depositories for all current funds for the Township and the Custodian shall be CMFO Toni Grisaffi. Mayor Bruning, Toni Grisaffi and AnnaRose Fedish shall sign all checks with the Deputy Mayor to sign in an emergency. Motion carried by roll call vote: O’Leary-yes, Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Bruning-yes.

Motion by Henderson, seconded by Corcoran, to adopt the following Resolution:  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPUTY MAYOR TO SIGN DOCUMENTS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Township Committee has determined that it is in the best interest of Lafayette Township to provide for the orderly administration of Township business to permit the Deputy Mayor to execute any and all legal documents that the Mayor is authorized to execute in the event the Mayor is unable due to vacation, illness or general unavailability;

WHEREAS, in the recent past there have been documents that required execution where the Mayor because of vacations or other scheduling problems has not been available; and

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Township Committee has resolved that it is in the best interest of the Township to allow the Deputy Mayor to sign all documents in the Mayor’s absence so long as the same are attested to by the Township Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lafayette Township Committee as follows: That the Deputy Mayor be permitted to execute and bind the Township on all

documents that the Mayor would have otherwise been authorized to execute on the behalf of the Township in the event of the absence of the Mayor and the inability to secure the original signature of the Mayor.

Motion carried by roll call vote: O'Leary-yes, Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Bruning-yes.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Henderson, to adopt the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the rate of interest to be charged is hereby fixed at 8% per annum for amounts under \$1,500 and 18% per annum for any amount in excess of \$1500; the date of delinquency shall be ten (10) days after the quarterly due date, after which interest shall be charged from the due date of the quarter, and if a delinquency is in excess of \$10,000 and remain in arrears beyond December 31<sup>st</sup>, an additional penalty of 6% shall be charged against the delinquency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to collect interest at the rate aforesaid.

Motion carried by roll call vote: O'Leary-yes, Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Bruning-yes.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Henderson, to adopt the following Resolution appointing professional services:

WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 11-5 Local Public Contract Law permits Governing bodies to contract for certain professional services without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lafayette has need for said professional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that the following appointments be made for the year 2017:

Township Attorney: Roy E. Kurnos, One year term

Township Auditor: Nisivoccia & Company, LLP, One year term

Township Engineer: Michael Vreeland, One year term

Township Tax Map Services: Finelli Consulting Engineers, One year term

Township Affordable Housing Administrator: David Banisch, One year term

Township Certified Public Works Manager: Michael Vreeland, One year term

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the Township Clerk be directed to have published this Resolution in the official Township newspaper in compliance with P.L. 1971.

Motion carried by roll call vote: O'Leary-yes, Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Bruning-yes.

Corcoran reported a proposal for the position of risk manager was received from Skylands Risk Management, Inc. A representative from Skylands Risk Management, Inc. will be asked to attend the next meeting on January 15, 2019 to present their proposal.

Motion by Henderson, seconded by O'Leary, to appoint AnnaRose Fedish as Deputy Tax Collector and Assessment Search Officer for the year 2019. Motion carried by roll call vote: O'Leary-yes, Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Bruning-yes.

**Land Use Board** - The following appointments to the Land Use Board were made:

Class I – Richard Hughes

Class II - Gregory Suljic

Class III – Kevin O'Leary

Class IV – Don Leuthe, Sue Van Sickle and Warren Potter

Alternates – Tom Madewell and vacancy

**Board of Health** - The following appointment was made to the Board of Health:

4 year appointment - Edith McGrath

**Recreation Commission** - The following appointments were made to the Recreation Commission: 4 three year appointments – Joe Onorevole, Arin Gunn-Russell, Dennis Noonan, Debbie Johnson

**Open Space Advisory Committee** - The following appointments were made to the OSAC: 3 two year appointments - Alan Henderson, Carl Luthman and Glenn Thomas

**Economic Development Committee** The following appointments were made to the EDC: 3 three year appointments – Laura Camp, Joan Smith and Sal Torre

**Committee Appointments** - The following Committee Appointments were made:

Buildings and Grounds – Bruning

Streets and Roads – Bruning

Finance – O’Leary

Personnel – Henderson

Recreation – Corcoran

Police and Fire – Henderson

Board of Health – Corcoran

Open Space Advisory Committee – O’Leary

ADA Compliance Officer/Coordinator – Hughes

Sussex County Transportation Advisory Committee – Hughes

Sussex County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) - Stephanie Pizzulo

Sussex County 208 Water Quality PAC – David Muscalo

Sussex County Strategic Growth Committee – Hughes

911 and Emergency Management Coordinator – Hughes

Court – Henderson

EMS – Corcoran

Economic Development Committee – Bruning

### **Adjournment**

With there being no further business, motion by Bruning, seconded by D’Angeli, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,

ANNA ROSE FEDISH, RMC  
Municipal Clerk