

BOROUGH OF BUTLER REORGANIZATION MEETING

JANUARY 2, 2024
6:00 P.M.

1. Call Meeting to Order – Pledge to the Flag – Moment of Reflection – Sunshine Notice
2. Oath of Office: Councilman Verdonik
 Councilman Piccirillo
3. Roll Call
4. Mayor’s Address – (and acknowledgement of dignitaries in attendance)
5. Address by newly elected Council Members
6. Election of Council President *
7. APPOINTMENTS:

BOROUGH ATTORNEY – One Year Term – Robert H. Oostdyk, Jr.

BOROUGH ENGINEER – One Year Term – Thomas Boorady of Darmofalski Engineering

BOROUGH AUDITOR – One Year Term –Valerie Dolan of Nisivoccia LLP

MUNICIPAL TAX SEARCH OFFICER – One Year Term – Cora Ashley

ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER – One Year Term – Brandi Smith-Greco

POLICE MATRON – One Year Term – Leslie Usinowicz

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE –
One year term – Liza Waer Dwyer

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – Two year Term – Sandi Liss, Chris Ziegler,
Marc Piccirillo and Ray Verdonik

**MOTION FOR ABOVE 8 APPOINTMENTS: SECOND: RC:*

R 2024-01 Appointment of Chris Finelli as Fire Chief for the Butler Fire Department

**MOVED: SECOND: AIF:*

BUTLER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Chief	Joe Herrmann
Battalion Chief	Vacant
Captain 1	Dakota Sheehan
Captain 2	Douglas Morse IV
Lieutenant 1	Lester Soltys
Lieutenant 2	Vacant
Lieutenant 3	Vacant
Lieutenant 4	Vacant

FIRE POLICE – One Year Term – Chris Finelli, Joe Usinowicz, Robert Krill, John Futcher, Phil Soules, Bill Dunlap, Bob Carola, Dakota Sheehan, Lester Soltys

Fire Police Chief – to be elected at FD meeting

All receive Oath of Office

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL –
One Year Term – Christopher Finelli, Joe Costello, Brandi Smith-Greco, Peter Tabbot, Rebecca Hammonds, James Lampmann, Brian Pumo, Joe Scapparo, Kyle Finelli, Ed Vath, Scott Sinopoli, Stefanie Schmidt, Bloomingdale Code Official

BLOOD BANK – One Year Term – Butler Fire Department

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER – One Year Term – VFW Post 8096

SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE – One Year Term –
Bill Landon, Donna Meizinger, JoAnn Rehfuss, Isabelle Rimmer, Barbara Tavano, Pat Wojtecki, Jeannette Shahenkari, Nancy Solomon, Frank Blatterman.

DIAL-A-RIDE REPRESENTATIVE – One Year Term – Brandi Greco

MUSEUM COMMITTEE – Three Year Term – Alan Bird, Anthony Tomaselli & Paul Smeilus

PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER – One Year Term - James Lampmann

PEQUANNOCK RIVER BASIN REGIONAL SEWER AUTHORITY – Five Year Term-
James Lampmann (2/1/2024-1/31/2029)

COUNCIL APPOINTED CLASS III MEMBER PLANNING BOARD - One Year Term –
Marc Piccirillo

MOVED:

SECOND:

AIF:

MAYOR MARTINEZ’S APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING BOARD

Four Year Term – Jim Brown

Class II Member – One Year Term – Chris Finelli

LIBRARY BOARD – Five Year Term – Louis Coiro

OATH OF OFFICE *All Appointed Officials in Attendance Receive the Oath of Office*

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE JOINT INSURANCE FUND – One Year Term – James Lampmann and James Kozimor

REPRESENTATIVES TO PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION and NEW JERSEY PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY– One Year Term – James Lampmann

ALTERNATIVE REPRESENTATIVE TO PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION and NEW JERSEY PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY– One Year Term – James Kozimor

LIAISON MEMBER TO SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Mayor Martinez

LIAISON MEMBER TO BOARD OF EDUCATION – Councilman Calvi

LIAISON MEMBERS TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REVENUE SHARING COMMITTEE – James Lampmann, James Nargiso and James Kozimor

LIAISON MEMBER TO CLEAN COMMUNITIES – Councilwoman Morley

LIAISON TO BOARD OF HEALTH – Councilwoman Morley

REPRESENTATIVE TO MORRIS TOMORROW – Councilman Meier

LIAISON TO MUSEUM COMMITTEE – Councilman Meier

LIAISON TO RECREATION COMMITTEE – Councilman Verdonik

REPRESENTATIVE TO MORRIS COUNTY LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES – Mayor Martinez

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

FINANCIAL, ORDINANCE & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilman Verdonik, Chairman
Councilman Calvi, Vice Chairman
Councilman Fox, Member

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Calvi, Chairman
Councilman Fox, Vice Chairman
Councilman Meier, Member

ELECTRIC LIGHT & PUBLIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE

Councilman Meier, Chairman
Councilman Piccirillo, Vice Chairman
Councilwoman Morley, Member

WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMITTEE

Councilman Piccirillo Chairman
Councilwoman Morley, Vice Chairman
Councilman Verdonik, Member

HEALTH, SANITATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Morley, Chairman
Councilman Meier, Vice Chairman
Councilman Piccirillo, Member

ROADS AND BUILDINGS/GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Councilman Fox, Chairman
Councilman Verdonik, Vice Chairman
Councilman Calvi, Member

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED, THAT THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE BOROUGH BE THE SUBURBAN TRENDS, HERALD NEWS, THE STAR-LEDGER, DAILY RECORD AND BERGEN RECORD

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED, THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER HEREBY DESIGNATE THE FOLLOWING BANKING INSTITUTIONS AS DEPOSITORIES FOR MONEY BELONGING TO THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER FOR THE YEAR 2023: PNC BANK, LAKELAND STATE BANK, AND N.J. CASH MANAGEMENT

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING OFFICIALS SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN DISBURSEMENT CHECKS FOR THE VARIOUS ACCOUNTS: THE ADMINISTRATOR, THE FINANCE CHAIRMAN AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. ALL ACCOUNTS REQUIRE TWO SIGNATURES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE PAYROLL ACCOUNT WHICH REQUIRES ONLY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS SIGNATURE, THE HOSPITALIZATION ACCOUNT WHICH REQUIRES ONLY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS SIGNATURE, AND THE COURT ADMINISTRATORS ACCOUNT WHICH REQUIRES THE COURT ADMINISTRATORS SIGNATURE:

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING SURETY BONDS BE SECURED AND THE BOROUGH PAY ALL CHARGES FOR THE BONDS REQUIRED BY BOROUGH OFFICIALS: Tax Collector/Utility Supervisor \$517,000; Clerk Typist/Tax Collectors Office \$110,000; Chief Financial Officer \$450,000; Public Employees Blanket \$25,000 per occurrence (excluding Tax Collector/Utility Supervisor and Chief Financial Officer).

Moved:

Second:

RC: CC, CF, CM, CWM, CP, CPV

RESOLVED THAT THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT THE ANNUAL SALE OF DELINQUENT TAXES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL CHARGES DUE ON A GIVEN PROPERTY COVERING ANY NUMBER OF QUARTERS AND PERMITS A MAXIMUM FEE OF \$25 FOR MAKING OF NOTICE OF TAX SALE FOR EACH OF TWO WEEKS PRECEDING THE DATE OF THE TAX SALE.

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED THAT THE GOVERNING BODY MAY FIX THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES ON OR BEFORE THE DATE THEY WOULD BECOME DELINQUENT, AND MAY PROVIDE THAT WITHIN THE TENTH CALENDAR DAY FOLLOWING THE DATE UPON WHICH THE SAME BECAME PAYABLE, THE RATE SO FIXED SHALL NOT EXCEED 18% PER ANNUM ON ANY AMOUNT IN EXCESS OF \$1,500 TO BE CALCULATED FROM THE DATE THE TAX WAS PAYABLE, UNTIL THE DATE OF THE ACTUAL PAYMENT. THE INTEREST TO BE CHARGED A DELINQUENT TAXPAYER FOR NON-PAYMENT OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES SHALL BE AN ADDITIONAL PENALTY OF 6% IF THE AMOUNT OF DELINQUENCY IS IN EXCESS OF \$10,000 AT THE END OF A CALENDAR YEAR

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED THAT THERE IS HEREBY IMPOSED A SERVICE CHARGE OF \$27.00 PER CHECK OR OTHER WRITTEN INSTRUMENT WHICH SHALL BE ADDED TO ANY ACCOUNT OWING TO THE BOROUGH IF PAYMENT TENDERED ON THE ACCOUNT WAS BY A CHECK OR OTHER WRITTEN INSTRUMENT WHICH WAS RETURNED TO THE BOROUGH FOR INSUFFICIENT FUNDS. THE SERVICE CHARGE AUTHORIZED BY THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE COLLECTED IN THE SAME MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW FOR THE COLLECTION OF THE ACCOUNT FOR WHICH THE CHECK OR OTHER WRITTEN INSTRUMENT WAS TENDERED.

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED, THAT THE TAX COLLECTOR IS PERMITTED TO PROCESS CANCELLATIONS OF PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS OR DELINQUENCIES OF LESS THAN \$10.00 WITHOUT FURTHER ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 82, PUBLIC LAW OF 1987, KNOWN AS N.J.S.A. 40A:5-017.1.

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED, THAT THE SALARIES OF THE BOROUGH EMPLOYEES AND PAID OFFICIALS OF THE BOROUGH BE PAID EVERY TWO WEEKS FOR THE YEAR 2024 AND THAT THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN PAYROLLS ON BEHALF OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND HE BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE THE NECESSARY CHECKS.

Moved:

Second:

RESOLVED THAT THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL BE HELD ON: January 16, February 20, March 19, April 16, May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, November 5 and December 17, 2023. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF BUSINESS SHALL BE ALLOWED AT THE MEETINGS: 1. ROLL CALL; 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES; 3. GREETING OF PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION; 4. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS; 5. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND PAYROLLS; 6. PRESENTATION OF CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS; 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS; 8. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION; 9. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION; 10. RESOLUTIONS; 11. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS; 12. INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC; 13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved:

Second:

R 2024-2 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH AUDITOR, NISIVOCCIA, LLP

R 2024-3 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH ENGINEER, DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC.

R 2024-4 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH ATTORNEY, MURPHY McKEON, PC

R 2024-5 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH BOND COUNSEL, HAWKINS, DELAFIELD & WOOD, LLP

R 2024-6 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH DMC ASSOC.

R 2024-7 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH ANDERSON & DENZLER

- R 2024-8 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH SPECIAL LABOR COUNSEL DORSEY AND SEMRAU
- R 2024-9 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC FOR MUNICIPAL BOND RELATED ISSUES
- R 2023-10 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH ASPLUNDH ENGINEERING SERVICES CO., LLC
- R 2024-11 RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER’S OPPOSITION TO DISCRIMINATION
- R 2024-12 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN ELECTRICAL TESTING
- R 2024-13 TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR 2024
- R 2024-14 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF MASTER POWER PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENTS AND CONFIRMATION TRANSACTIONS THEREUNDER WITH VARIOUS SUPPLIERS
- R 2024-15 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF BUTLER APPOINTING JAMES LAMPMANN TO THE PEQUANNOCK RIVER BASIN REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
- R 2024-16 RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THAT THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION’S ENFORCEMENT GUIDANCE ON THE CONSIDERATION OF ARREST AND CONVICTION RECORDS IN EMPLOYMENT DECISIONS UNDER TITLE VII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

All Moved:

Second:

AIF:

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Close:

Second:

AIF:

ADJOURNMENT

Second:

AIF: