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CITY COUNCIL

JANUARY 6, 2022

REORGANIZATION MEETING - 5:30 PM

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Carie Crone, Municipal Clerk

FLAG SALUTE

INVOCATION – Father Cosme, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

STATEMENT OF THE SUNSHINE LAW
NOTIFICATION THAT THIS MEETING IS ELECTRONICALLY RECORDED

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

Nick LaRotonda, Councilperson, Ward 1 – his oath was administered by Congressman Jeff Van Drew

Sandy Cain, Councilperson, Ward 2 – her oath was administered by Mayor Kim Horton

Steve Light, Council-At-Large – his oath will be administered at the next meeting

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Burroughs, Cain, Cavileer, Larotonda, Poley, Howell

ABSENT: Light

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Horton, Jessica Thompson, Carie Crone

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Nomination for Betty Howell was made by Councilman Cavileer – second – Councilman Burroughs
No other nominations. Nominations closed.

ROLL CALL: Burroughs, yes; Cain, yes; Cavileer, yes; Larotonda, yes; Poley, yes; Howell, yes

Administration of Oath of Office was given by Mayor Kim Horton

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM

Nomination for Sandy Cain was made by Councilman Cavileer – second – Councilwoman Poley
No other nominations. Nominations closed.

ROLL CALL: Burroughs, yes; Cain, yes; Cavileer, yes; Larotonda, yes; Poley, yes; Howell, yes

Administration of Oath of Office was given by Mayor Kim Horton

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS – FOR THE YEAR 2022

Consent Agenda: All matters listed under Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by this City Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- 01 Authorizing the annual schedule of Regular Meetings of Absecon City Council for the calendar year 2022.
- 02 Confirming meetings of City Committees, Commissions and Boards for the year 2022.
- 03 Awarding a contract for professional services for a City Auditor.
Bowman & Co. LLP
- 04 Awarding a contract for professional services of a City Attorney.
Blaney, Donohue & Weinberg, PC
- 05 Awarding a contract for professional services for a Labor Attorney.
Blaney, Donohue & Weinberg, PC
- 06 Awarding a non-competitive contract for professional services of a Public Defender.
Frank Lentz, Esq.
- 07 Awarding a non-competitive contract for professional services for a Municipal Prosecutor.
Carl Tripician, Esq.
- 08 Awarding a non-competitive contract for professional services of a City Planner.
Edward Dennis, Remington & Vernick, Engineers
- 09 Awarding a non-competitive contract for professional services of a Bond Counsel.
Anthony Solimine, Esq. of Wilentz
- 10 Authorizing the Tax Assessor as the Agent in Adjustment appeals to reduce assessments.
- 11 Designating the Interest and Penalty rate on unpaid taxes.
- 12 Designating the official newspapers.

- 13 Adopting the Cash Management Plan of the City of Absecon.
- 14 Establishing the 2022 Temporary Budget for Current Fund and Sewer Utility Fund.
- 15 Appointing a Risk Management Consultant for the Atlantic County Joint Insurance Fund.
Michael F. Thomas, Glenn Insurance
- 16 Appointing a Councilperson to the Planning Board.
Betty Howell, 1 year
- 17 Re-Appointing Members to the Zoning Board.
Greg Seher, Matt Lawler, Marina Koussoulis and Mike Reilly
- 18 Appointing a Mercantile License Clerk.
Carie A. Crone, RMC
- 19 Appointing a Lien Clerk for the City of Absecon.
Jessica A. Snyder, CTC
- 20 Appointing a Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics.
Julianne Cannuscio, 3 years.
- 21 Authorizing the Tax Office to accept overpayments of tax and sewer and requiring exact change for other cash payments.
- 22 Ensuring Time Capsule to be opened in the year 2052.
- 23 Authorizing the appointment of an Electrical Sub-Code Official. William Shelton Mardsen
- 24 Authorizing the appointment of a Plumbing Sub-Code Official. Joseph B. Smith

Motion to move consent agenda – Councilman Larotonda – second – Councilwoman Cain
ROLL CALL: Burroughs, yes; Cain, yes; Cavileer, yes; Larotonda, yes; Poley, yes; Howell, yes

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS was given by Mayor Kim Horton

COMMENTS

Nick Larotonda – thanked everyone who came out tonight to support us and the residents for their show of support in the election. It's an honor to be their councilman and will continue to serve all of you.

Sandy Cain – thanked the residents of Absecon for their support. During the past nine years, she has seen many changes in Absecon and hopes positive ones, and she was a part of that. That is what makes her continue to be on council because it's rewarding seeing things getting done. Thanks for coming tonight.

Donna Poley – she's excited to be a part of council and to work for the community, which she has been for a long time. She looks forward to 2022 and making it a good happy, healthy year for everybody. She thanked everybody who works together as a team; that's what makes Absecon strong.

Caleb Cavileer – congratulated his colleagues that were sworn in. He looks forward to working together in the coming year.

Betty Howell – congratulated everyone who was elected and we do have a good group here. She thanked them for putting their faith in her and appointing her council president.

Butch Burroughs – thanked everyone for coming tonight and wished everyone a happy, healthy new year.

PUBLIC PORTION

Motion to open to the public – Councilman Larotonda – second – Councilwoman Cain

All were in favor.

No comments

Motion to close public – Councilman Burroughs – second – Councilwoman Poley

All were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn – Councilman Larotonda – second – Councilwoman Cain

All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Carie A. Crone, City Clerk

Approved: 1-20-22