

TOWNSHIP OF HARDWICK
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2010

The yearly Re-Organization meeting of the Hardwick Township Committee was held on this date at the Municipal Building, 40 Spring Valley Road, Hardwick Township. This meeting was called to order at 6:34PM by Township Clerk Judith Fisher, RMC who noted that this meeting was being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meeting Act". The Clerk then led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE - KEVIN DUFFY, COMMITTEEMAN 1/2/2010 TO 12/31/2012

Mrs. Fisher, Township Clerk noted that the County Clerk, Patricia Kolb has sent the Certificate of Election for Committeeman KEVIN DUFFY. Mr. Duffy had received the majority of votes cast in the General Election held in November 2009 for the three year term. At this time, the Oath of Office was administered by Michael Lavery, Esq. and the Bible was held by his wife Christine.

BUSINESS: Nomination of a Chairperson/Mayor

Committeeman Carrazzone nominated Committeeman Kevin Duffy for Mayor, seeing there were no other nominations; the motion was then seconded by Committeeman Perry. Mr. Duffy accepted the nomination. Motion carried and roll call followed: Mr. Carrazzone, yes, Mr. Perry, yes, Mr. Duffy, yes.

Mr. Kevin Duffy was then sworn in as Mayor by Michael Lavery, Esq. and the Bible was again held by his wife Christine.

Township Clerk Judith Fisher then turned the Chair over to Mayor Kevin Duffy for the remainder of the appointments.

Nomination for Deputy Mayor

Committeeman Perry moved to nominate Committeeman Alfred Carrazzone for Deputy Mayor, seeing there were no other nominations; the motion was then seconded by Mayor Duffy. Mr. Carrazzone accepted the nomination. Motion carried and roll call followed: Mr. Perry, yes, Mr. Duffy, yes, Mr. Carrazzone, yes.

Committeeman Alfred Carrazzone was then sworn in as Deputy Mayor by Michael Lavery, Esq.

APPOINTMENTS

Township Attorney	Michael B. Lavery, Esq.
C	ourter, Kobert, Cohen
H	ackettstown, NJ 07840

Directors/Liaisons to various Departments - **HOLD**

COAH Consultant	Shirley Bishop, P.P., LLC
Municipal Housing Liaison	Judith M. Fisher

Tax Search Official	Donna Clouse, CTC
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Assessment Search Official	Judith M. Fisher
Affirmative Action Officer	Judith M. Fisher

Registrar	Judith M. Fisher, CMR
Deputy Registrar	Beth Dwyer, CMR

Deputy Clerk	Beth Dwyer
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Secretary to Local Board of Health	Judith M. Fisher
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Recycling Coordinator	Judith M. Fisher
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CFO/ Treasurer	Judith Fisher, Acting 30 day appointment
Auditors/Accountants	Ardito & Co., LLP HOLD
S	troudsburg, PA

Township Prosecutor James Pfeiffer, Esq.
 Municipal Public Defender Jack Cornish, Esq.
 Township Engineer Norton "Ted" Rodman, PE 1/6/2010 to 12/31/2012
 Driveway Opening Official Norton "Ted" Rodman, PE
 Certified Public Works Mgr. Thomas Campbell

Zoning/Code Enforcement George Boesze

Building Inspector David Peck 6/1/2009 to 6/1/2013
 Construction official David Peck 6/1/2009 to 6/1/2013
 Secretary to Building Insp. Beth Dwyer
 Fire SubCode Official Scott Wallis
 Electrical SubCode Insp. Patrick Murphy
 Plumbing SubCode Official Robert Trivett

Sanitary SubCode Official Warren County Board of Health

Animal Control Officer Alan DeCarolis, ACO
 Dog Licensing Clerk Beth Dwyer

Emergency Management
 Coordinator Joseph Dunn 3/4/2009 to 3/4/2012
 Deputy Emergency
 Management Coordinator David Peck 5/6/2009 to 5/6/2012
 911 Coordinator Judith Fisher

The above appointments were made on a motion by Committeeman Perry and second by Committeeman Carrazzone. Motion carried and roll call followed: Mr. Perry, yes, Mr. Carrazzone, yes, Mr. Duffy, yes.

Positions Filled/Terms Tenured

Municipal Clerk, Judith M. Fisher, RMC
 Tax Assessor, David Gill, CTA
 Tax Collector, Donna Clouse, CTC
 CMFO/Treasurer, Gregory Della Pia, CMFO (Retired as of Dec 31, 2009)

Adoption of Office Hours for Various Employees for 2008

The Office Hours were adopted by the Committee on a motion that was made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Committeeman Carrazzone. Motion carried and roll call followed: Mr. Perry, yes, Mr. Carrazzone, yes, Mayor Duffy, yes.

APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS

Planning Board

Class I	Kevin Duffy	12/31/2010
Class II	BettyJane Lindsay	12/31/2010
Class III	James Perry	12/31/2010
Class IV/Environmental	VACANT	12/31/2010
Alternate #2	VACANT	12/31/2011

Board of Adjustment

J	ohn Satta	12/	31/2013
	Teresa Pflugh	12/	31/2013
J	ohn Eric Wehrle, Alt #1		HOLD

Environmental Commission

K	evin Duffy, Mayor	
	Duel Role w/Planning Bd	VACANT
	Marcus Forster	12/31/2010
	Alison Fisk	12/31/2012
	Alternate #1	VACANT 12/31/2011
	Alternate #2	VACANT 12/31/2010

Open Space Advisory Committee

K	evin Duffy	12/	31/2010
J	ohn Crisman	12/	31/2012
R	obert Wolff	12/	31/2012

Motion was made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in favor.

Agriculture Advisory Committee Appointments are for One Year

R	obert Wolff	12/31/2010
J	ohn Crisman	12/31/2010
J	ohn Satta	12/31/2010

Motion was made by Mr. Perry and second by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in favor.

Cross Acceptance Committee - HOLD

	Jim McKim	L	ori Gold
J	ohn Satta	K	evin Duffy, Mayor
	Walter Ribitzki		

Recreation/ Public Events 2010 Vacant

Grant Committee 2010

Fred Butcher	James Perry	Rene Woehl
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Green Team 2010

Desiree Dunn	Beth Dwyer	Sylvia Ramos
James Perry	Marcus Forster	

Liaison Needed for

Warren County on Aging	BettyJane Lindsay
Clean Communities Coordinator	Richard Schemm
Insurance Liaison	Alfred Carrazzone, Committeeman
	Judith Fisher, Alternate
Recreation/Public Events Coordinator	Vacant
Municipal Alliance Coordinator	Beth Dwyer

Motion was made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

Meeting Place	M	unicipal Building
40		Spring Valley Road
Date	1	st Wednesday each month
E		xecutive Session 6:30 PM
Date	4t	Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
W		h ^d Wednesday each month
Official Newspaper		ork/Agenda Meeting 7:00 PM
Additional Newspaper		New Jersey Herald
		Express/Times

Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in favor

Depositories for Township Funds

	PNC Bank, Blairstown
	First National Bank of Hope
	Lakeland Bank, Frelinghuysen Branch
	NJ Cash Management Fund, Trenton, NJ
B	ank of America

Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in favor.

Rate of Interest for Delinquent Taxes

8% up to \$1500.00 18% for amounts over \$1500.00

Additional 6% for amounts over \$10,000.00

The Clerk was asked to check with the Collector regarding the 6% interest for amounts over \$10,000
Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote,
all were in favor.

Resolution Cancelling Balances between \$.50 and \$10.00

Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote,
all were in favor.

Resolution from Tax Assessor

Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote,
all were in favor.

Resolution Open Space Tax

Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote,
all were in favor.

Resolution Cash Management

Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote,
all were in favor.

Resolution Idle Funds Investments

Motion was made by Mr. Carrazzone and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion carried and in a voice vote,
all were in favor.

Temporary Budget for 2010 \$200,142.00

Motion was made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and in a voice vote,
all were in favor.

Ordinance 1st Reading

TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO
ESTABLISH A CAP BANK 2010/01

Motion was made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and roll call
followed: Mr. Perry, yes, Mr. Carrazzone, yes, Mr. Duffy, yes.

2nd Reading and Public Hearing will be on February 3, 2010

Payment of the Bills - Mr. Perry moved that the bills present before the Committee tonight be paid,
seconded by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and a roll call vote followed:

Mr. Perry, yes, Mr. Carrazzone, yes, Mr. Duffy, yes

Announcements

Dog Licensing due no later than February 28, 2010

Auditors - Financial Review Being done the end of January 2010

Budget Meeting - PENDING

Budget Meeting with Auditors - PENDING

Public Comments:

The public portion of this meeting was opened by a motion made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr.
Carrazzone. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in favor.

Being there was no one wishing to comment, the portion of the meeting was then closed on a motion
made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in
favor.

Comments

Mr. Perry congratulated Mr. Carrazzone on his appointment as Deputy Mayor and Mr. Duffy as
Mayor. He looks forward to working together again this year.

Mr. Carrazzone congratulated Mr. Duffy on his appointment as Mayor and for a great job that he has
done as Mayor in the past and will do in the future.

Mr. Duffy thanked the Committee for their vote of confidence as Mayor and he is looking forward to working together with everyone.

Executive Session

Mr. Perry moved that the Committee go into Executive Session at 7:07PM to discuss pending litigation, PSE&G Settlement offer. This motion was then second by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and a voice vote was unanimous.

Resolution

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P. L. 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hardwick, in the County of Warren and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from that portion of this meeting
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - a. Pending Litigation, PSE&G Settlement Offer
3. As nearly as can be ascertained, the matter or matters to be discussed at this time will be disclosed to the public when such matters are resolved.

Time In: 7:07PM

Present: Kevin Duffy, Alfred Carrazzone and James Perry

Also Present: Attorney Michael Lavery, Clerk Judith Fisher

Time Out: 7:48PM

Motion was made by Mr. Perry to return to regular session, second by Mr. Carrazzone.

Motion carried and a voice vote was unanimous.

Mr. Lavery noted that he met in closed session with the Committee tonight and discussed the settlement offer from PSE&G. No official action was taken by the Committee at this time.

Copies of the minutes will be made available at such time as the Committee determines that there is no harm to the public interest.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:48PM

Being there was no further business, this meeting adjourned at 7:48PM on a motion made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Carrazzone. Motion carried and in a voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith M. Fisher, RMC Township Clerk