

**NORTH HANOVER TOWNSHIP  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
REORGANIZATION MINUTES  
JANUARY 7, 2021, 7:00 p.m.**

The public is invited to attend **VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Dial In: 1-855-774-8852; Access Code 7589919790**

**CALL TO ORDER** Township Clerk called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**FLAG SALUTE:** Township Clerk lead the salute to the flag

**SUNSHINE STATEMENT:** “The provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met. Notice of this meeting has been transmitted by email to the Courier Times, Burlington County Times and The Trenton Times as well as given to those having requested same and posted on the Township bulletin board located in the foyer of the municipal building”.

**OATH OF OFFICE FOR TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS ELECT:**

Township Clerk called for Committeeman Elect David Forsyth to be sworn into office. Mr. Mark Roselli, Esquire administered the Oath of Office. Everyone extended a round of applause.

**ROLL CALL:** Committeeman Doyle  
Committeeman DeBaecke  
Committeeman Forsyth  
Committeeman Kocubinski  
Committeeman O’Donnell

Absent: None

Also Present: Township Clerk Picariello

**CLERK CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR MAYOR 2021**

Township Clerk Picariello called for nominations for Mayor 2021:

**BRENDAN O’DONNELL FOR MAYOR**

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Committeeman DeBaecke				X		
Committeeman Doyle				X		
Committeeman Forsyth				X		
Committeeman Kocubinski		X	X			
Committeeman O’Donnell	X		X			

**CHRISTOPHER DOYLE FOR MAYOR**

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Committeeman DeBaecke			X			
Committeeman Doyle		X	X			
Committeeman Forsyth	X		X			
Committeeman Kocubinski				X		
Committeeman O’Donnell				X		

**Motion for Christopher Doyle as Mayor Passes**

Christopher Doyle came forward to be sworn in as Mayor 2021. Mr. William Quackenboss, Esquire administered the oath of office. Everyone offered a round of applause.

**NEW MAYOR CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY MAYOR 2021**

Mayor Doyle called for nominations for Deputy Mayor 2021

**RONALD DEBAECKE FOR DEPUTY MAYOR**

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Committeeman DeBaecke			X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O’Donnell			X			
Mayor Doyle	X		X			

Ronald DeBaecke came forward to be sworn in as Deputy Mayor 2021. Mr. Mark Roselli, Esquire administered the oath of office. Everyone offered a round of applause.

**NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY**

**MR. MARK ROSELLI, ESQUIRE**

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell				X		
Mayor Doyle			X			

**PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public wishing to address the Township Committee must state their name and address for the record.**

Mayor Doyle opened the meeting to the public. There were no public comments from the public this evening.

**MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT**

Proposed By: Deputy Mayor DeBaecke

Seconded By: Committeeman O'Donnell

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE LIAISON POSITIONS FOR 2021:**

- Appointment of Police Commissioner – Deputy Mayor DeBaecke
- Appointment of Public Works Commissioner – Committeeman Forsyth
- Appointment of Landfill Commissioner/Recycling Commissioner - Committeeman Forsyth
- Appointment of Recreation Commissioner – Mayor Doyle
- Appointment of Mobile Home Commissioner – Committeeman O'Donnell
- Appointment of Sub-Standard Housing Commissioner – Deputy Mayor Doyle
- Appointment of County Land Use Office Liaison – Committeeman Kocubinski
- Appointment of Liaison to Jacobstown Fire Company – Committeeman O'Donnell
- Appointment of Liaison to Small Cities Grant Matters – Committeeman Kocubinski
- Appointment of Military Liaison – Committeeman Kocubinski
- Appointment of COAH Liaison – Deputy Mayor DeBaecke
- Appointment of Administrative Liaison – Committeeman O'Donnell

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke			X			
Committeeman Forsyth			X			
Committeeman Kocubinski		X	X			
Committeeman O'Donnell			X			
Mayor Doyle	X		X			

**MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS**

**Mayor Doyle made the following appointments:**

Joint Land Use Board:

- Class I - Deputy Mayor DeBaecke
- Class II – Mr. Joseph Greene
- Class IV – James Durr
- Alternate #2 – Patricia Mellor

- **COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT CLASS III-** Committeeman Brendan O'Donnell

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke		X	X			
Committeeman Forsyth			X			

Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell			X			
Mayor Doyle	X		X			

**CONSENT AGENDA DEFINED:**

All matters listed on today's consent agenda are to be considered as one vote by Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- 2021-01 Resolution Appointing Various Members of the Township Professional Staff and Authorizing Professional Service Agreements for the year of 2021 Under the Fair and Open Process
- 2021-02 Resolution Providing for the Appointment of Certain Officers, Appointees and Employees
- 2021-03 Resolution Fixing the Date, Time and Place of Regular Meetings and Board of Health Meetings of the Township of North Hanover Committee making Provisions Relative to Scheduled Holidays, Special and Emergency Meetings and Adopting Certain Procedures and Forms
- 2021-04 Resolution Establishing the 2021 Temporary Municipal Operating Budget
- 2021-05 Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Funds and Investing Funds
- 2021-06 Resolution of the Township of North Hanover Fixing the Rate of Interest to be Charged on Delinquent Taxes or Assessments and any other Municipal Charges/Fees
- 2021-07 Resolution of the Township of North Hanover Authorizing the Filing of Tax Appeals by the Township Tax Assessor to the County Board of Taxation
- 2021-08 Resolution Naming Legal Depositories
- 2021-09 Resolution Naming Legal Depository for Certificates of Deposit
- 2021-10 Resolution Designating Legal Newspapers
- 2021-11 Resolution Adopting a Cash Management Plan for 2021
- 2021-12 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Conduct a Standard Tax Sale in 2021
- 2021-13 Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Process Property Tax Refund and Cancellation of Refund or Delinquency of Less Than Ten Dollars (\$10.00)
- 2021-14 Resolution Appointing a Risk Management Consultant – Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
- 2020-15 Resolution Appointing Labor Attorney to the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
- 2021-16 Resolution Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Pay Certain Bills in Advance of the Regular Township Committee Meetings
- 2021-17 Resolution Approving the use of Roberts Rules of Order for Township Committee Meetings for Parliamentary Procedures
- 2021-18 Resolution Appointing Fund Commissioner and Alternate Fund Commissioner to the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

- 2021-19 Resolution Appointing a Claims Coordinator for the Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund
- 2021-20 Resolution Appointing a Safety Coordinator for the Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund
- 2021-21 Authorizing the Municipal Clerk to Execute all Bingo and Raffle Games of Chance Applications that Meet All Provisions Pursuant to Statute for the 2021 Calendar Year
- 2021-22 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of the Term of a Shared Services Agreement with Bordentown, Chesterfield, New Hanover and Springfield Townships Concerning Extra Duty Assignment of Police Officers
- 2021-23 A Resolution Authorizing an Exchange of Construction Code Services
- 2021-24 Resolution Authorizing Prosecutor Koutsouris with the Authority to name an Alternate Prosecutor in his Temporary Absence
- 2021-25 Resolution Adopting Rules and Regulations Governing Members of the North Hanover Township Police Department

2021-26 Resolution to Appoint Special Law Enforcement Officers

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke			X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell	X		X			
Mayor Doyle			X			

**JACOBSTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY**

Clerk Picariello noted that due to COVID the in-coming members of the JVFC would be sworn in at a private ceremony at a later date with Committeeman O'Donnell. Clerk Picariello read the officers names into the record.

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENT**

Committeeman Kocubinski reflected on previous years and thanked Deputy Mayor DeBaecke for his work as Mayor. He welcomed Committeeman Forsyth. The thanked all the staff for their hard work and noted we had a good group.

Committeeman O'Donnell noted the Committee functions well together and thanked Deputy Mayor DeBaecke. He wished Mayor Doyle well in his new role. He also welcomed Committeeman Forsyth and looked forward to working with everyone.

Committeeman Forsyth thanked everyone for their well wishes and noted it is a privilege to serve the residents of North Hanover. He expressed appreciation for the employees.

Deputy Mayor DeBaecke noted that although the Committee does not agree on every issue, it is a pleasure working with the current Committee and is proud they all work for the good of the Town. He wished Mayor Doyle well in his new role and noted he was strong leader. He wished everyone a safe and healthy New Year.

Mayor Doyle noted he was honored to serve as Mayor and would do so with honor and dignity. He noted he was disheartened by the recent events at the Capital and offered prayers for a better Country. He offered appreciation for his faith and fellow Committeemen. He noted he was proud to work with the Township Committee who he feels works so well together in Bi-Partisan fashion to accomplish the business of the Township. He offered a special thank you to the departed Committeeman DeLorenzo, for his knowledge and guidance. He noted that Committeeman DeLorenzo would not be forgotten. He offered appreciation for all the Township staff for their hard work. He noted that during the Pandemic they continued to work with the utmost professionalism even though the health risks were there. He was grateful for their service. He thanked William Quackenboss for swearing him in today and noted it was his honor. He thanked his children and wife for their support. He noted his wife has been his rock and biggest supporter and he was grateful for her. He noted the past could not be changed but we could all help shape the future.

Everyone present offered a round of applause.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**7:26pm**

Proposed By: Deputy Mayor DeBaecke  
Seconded By: Committeeman Kocubinski

*Respectively submitted,*

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*Mary Picariello, RMC/CMR/CTC  
Township Clerk*