

**WEYMOUTH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 04, 2023**

At 6:30pm this meeting was called to order by the Township Clerk Dorothy-Jo Ayres, who greeted the assembly and then led them in the Salute to our Nation's Flag and a moment of silence.

The Township Clerk then read aloud the following statement: This meeting was properly sent to be advertised in the Press of Atlantic City and the Daily Journal on January 6, 2022. It was then duly posted in the main entrance of Township Hall and on the Weymouth Township website in accordance with Public Law 75, Chapter 231.

Committeeman C. Peter Keiffenheim, administered the Oath of Office to Newly Re-elected Committeeperson, Edward G. Norton for a three (3) year term.

Committeeman Edward Norton thanked everyone for their support.

Committeeman Peter Keiffenheim congratulated Edward Norton on his re-election to the Township Committee.

Committeeman Norton was congratulated by Committeeman Kenneth Haeser.

Committee Members present: Norton, Keiffenheim, and Haeser

Absent: None

Also present were: Township Clerk Dorothy-Jo Ayres, Solicitor Michael Lario, Jr., Esquire, Tax Collector Debbie D'Amore, Public Works Superintendent Ronald C. Carroll, Zoning Officer Alex Bauer, and Engineer Michael Fralinger, Jr.

NOMINATION FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE FOR MAYOR/CHAIRPERSON:

On a motion by Keiffenheim, seconded by Norton, Committeeman **Kenneth R. Haeser**, was nominated and approved to serve as **Mayor/Committee Chairperson** for the year **2023**.

Roll Call: Norton- Yes, Keiffenheim- Yes, Haeser- Yes.

NOMINATION FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE FOR DEPUTY MAYOR/VICE CHAIRPERSON:

On a motion by Haeser, seconded by Norton, **Peter Keiffenheim**, was nominated and approved to serve as **Deputy Mayor/ Vice Committee Chairperson** for the year **2023**.

Roll Call: Norton- Yes, Keiffenheim- Yes, Haeser- Yes.

Resolution No. 01-2023 Robert's Rules of Order

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Haeser congratulated Ed Norton on his re-election to the Township Committee. The Mayor stated that it is a pleasure working alongside of both Peter and Ed. We all have the same focus on our community and strive to do what is best for our Township and residents.

We are blessed to have our little family of township employees and I am blessed as your mayor to be surrounded by them. In the offices we have DJ, Debbie and Teresa; I am amazed the amount of work and special projects they get accomplished. For our Buildings and grounds, we have our Public Works Department employees Ron, Karl and Justin making our community look amazing. Thank you to our part-time employees Jud, Bernadette and Alex you are a big part of our family.

The Committee has continued a strong working relationship with the Fire Company and the Weymouth Township School District. The BOE hired Mr. Al Lewis as our new Chief School Administrator. He has a strong sense of community and is a welcomed asset to our community.

Mayor Haeser thanked all the volunteers for their time and service to our Township.

The Mayor noted that although serving on the Governing Body is very rewarding, it is not always easy. He acknowledged Millie Messina for her many years of service to the Township as a Committeewoman, Mayor and volunteer. Her time is appreciated.

The Committee will be continuing to monitor the contract situation between our Municipal Utilities Authority and Hamilton Township. HTMUA does not wish to renew the contract which expires in March 2023. HTMUA currently handles maintenance, billing and collections along with supplying water and sewer connection.

The Committee hopes to meet with Estell Manor Council to discuss fire protection.

RESOLUTIONS (PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS)

Resolution No. 02-2023 Township Solicitor, Michael Lario, Esq.

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 03-2023 Township Labor Attorney, Eric Bernstein & Associates

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 04-2023 Township Conflict Solicitors, Eric Bernstein & Associates

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 05-2023 Township Tax Solicitor, Dominic DiYanni, Esq.

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 06-2023 Bonding Attorney, Joel Fleishman, Esq.

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 07-2023 Township Appraiser, Timothy Hoffman

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 08-2023 Township Auditor, Fred S. Caltabiano, CPA, RMA

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 09-2023 Animal Control Officer, Shore Animal Control, LLC
Postponed until next meeting.

Resolution No. 10-2023 Insurance Agent, Dennis M. Brown
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 11-2023 Risk Management Consultant, Dennis M. Brown
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No 12-2023 Information Technologist, Wes Barber, Barber Consulting
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No 13-2023 Monitoring Well Sampling and Analysis, Eurofins
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS (GENERAL BUSINESS OF THE TOWNSHIP)

Resolution No. 14-2023 Employment Practices Hotline Access
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 15-2023 Annual Schedule of Meetings
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 16-2023 Official Depositories
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 17-2023 Cash Management Plan
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 18-2023 Designation of Official Newspapers
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 19-2023 Temporary Budget
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 20-2023 Petty Cash Account & Change Fund
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 21-2023 Assessors Appeal
Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim
Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 22-2023 Municipal Tax Sale

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 23-2023 Cancel Over Payments or Delinquencies Under \$10.00

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 24-2023 Use of Equipment

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 25-2023 Maintenance of the Fire Works Field

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 26-2023 Fire Works

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 27-2023 Holidays

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 43-2023 Hire stormwater Manager

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

STATUTORY APPOINTMENTS

Resolution No. 28-2023 Tax Collector, Deputy Registrar

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 29-2023 Tax Assessor

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 30-2023 Township Clerk, Registrar

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

Resolution No. 31-2023 Atlantic County Memberships

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 32-2023 Director of Public Safety (Chairperson)

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 33-2023 PMC & GEHNSRRC

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 34-2023 Public Agency Compliance Officer 2022

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 35-2023 Safety & Health Committee Appointments

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 36-2023 Annual Appointments

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

APPOINTMENTS TO TOWNSHIP BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Resolution No. 37-2023 Appointments to Land Use Board

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 38-2023 Appointments to Rent Control Board

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 39-2023 Appointments to Municipal Utilities Authority

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 40-2023 Appointments to Environmental Commission

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

APPOINTMENT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Resolution No. 41-2023 Appoint Emergency Management Coordinator

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 42-2023 Appoint Deputy Emergency Management Coordinators

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 44-2023 NJDCA Recreation Grant Application Authorization

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 45-2023 Budget Transfer

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim authorizing Tax Collector to purchase money counting, counterfeit detecting machine for approximately \$700.

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Ms. Messina also requested use of the Community Center on January 16th and the 3rd Thursday of each month for the Democrat Organization.

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim authorizing use of the Community Center on January 16th and the 3rd Thursday of each month for the Democrat Organization.

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Approval of the Bill List in the amount of \$429,203.51 and the Vouchers for Payment be approved and payment rendered.

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim to open the meeting to public comment.

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Millie Messina, Resident and member of the MUA, expressed that residents that use the water/sewer system in Belcoville should be on the Board and making the decisions, and with that said Ms. Messina asked to not be re-appointed on the MUA.

As Treasurer for the Atlantic County Township Officials, Ms. Messina has noticed the financial institution has been charging a \$29 monthly fee to the account. She discussed the need to have a meeting in the near future as the group has been on hiatus due to the pandemic. She would like to pass on the Treasurers position to another member for 2023.

Ms. Messina also requested use of the Community Center on January 16th and the 3rd Thursday of each month for the Democrat Organization.

Henry Goldsmith, Resident and Weymouth Township School Board President, thanked the Township Committee for their continued support of the school. Mr. Goldsmith also thanked Public Works for helping out the school with snow plowing and miscellaneous tasks as needed.

Mr. Goldsmith explained that while the covid grant money helped out the budget for the school over the last few years Weymouth Township School will be seeing the continued S2 funding cuts again this year. The school has reached out to Senator Testa's office for help.

There was a discussion on the recent vandalism in Belcoville. The Township Solicitor will write a letter to the NJSP for investigation update.

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim to close the meeting to public comment.

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Resolution No. 46-2023 Closed Session - Legal Advice

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

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Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim Executive Session was closed and the Reorganization meeting was re-opened.

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

ADJOURN:

Motion: Norton/Keiffenheim

Roll Call: Norton-yes; Keiffenheim-yes; Haeser-yes

Adjourned at 8:02pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy-Jo Ayres, RMC, Municipal Clerk