

2019 Reorganization Agenda

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 2, 2019

Mayor Fazen called meeting to order.

The Oaths of Office were administered by Steve Peter, County Clerk to

Robert Dixon, Councilman 1 year term family present

Brad Galeta, Councilman 3 year term family present

Mayor Fazen administered the oath of office to

Vinnie Petti, Councilman 3 year term family present

Mr. Petti was sworn in using the Moose Lodge Bible. He has been a member for ten years. Mayor Fazen is also a member of the Moose Lodge. This is the first time for the lodge where a moose member will be swearing in another moose member into office. Many members of the lodge were present for a picture which will be posted at the lodge.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT was read: Under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting has been posted and sent to the Courier News and the Star Ledger by way of annual notice, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer and a moment of silence.

The Clerk called roll-

Mayor Robert Fazen present

Councilman Vinnie Petti present

Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli present

Councilman Abel Gomez present

Councilwoman Elizabeth Jannuzzi present

Councilman Robert Dixon present

Councilman Brad Galeta present

Also present: Hector Herrera, Administrator, Andy Acebo, Esq. Attorney,
Donna Marie Godleski, Clerk

Mayor Fazen recognized the following officials present.

Manville Councilman Ron Skirkanish

Somerset County Freeholder Sarah Soohey

Somerset County Clerk Steve Peter

Former Councilman and Mayor Ronald Fasanello

2019 MAYOR'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE

I would like to personally thank all those who served the Borough as elected officials. Council Members Tony Pranzatelli, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Pettie, Rob Dixon, Glen Rossi & Liz Jannuzzi have done an outstanding job in 2018, and while we have had our differences throughout the year, it is an honor to work with people who are committed to improving Bound Brook. I trust that in 2019, with the addition of Brad Galeta, we will do everything we can to bring about great things for Bound Brook.

Additionally, I thank the volunteers who make this Borough tick. Over 20 volunteer committees, organizations and commissions function with over 100 volunteers. Bound Brook could not thrive without these dedicated individuals.

My New Year's Resolutions are to maintain government transparency, property tax reduction and increasing Property Values.

TRANSPARENCY: I will continue my efforts to communicate to the residents of Bound Brook through the Bound Brook Chronicle, Mayor Town Hall Meetings and an Open-Door Policy.

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REDUCE PROPERTY TAXES: I will make every effort to:

- Increase Bound Brook's share of State School Funding,
- Take advantage of Bound Brook's federal designation as an Opportunity Zone,
- Encourage aggressive redevelopment agreement negotiations to benefit existing residents and
- Continue the optimization of Borough operations through increased technology.

INCREASE PROPERTY VALUES: Encourage the positive theme that "Bound Brook is the Place to Dwell." The local Borough resources of outstanding transportation, education, safety, recreation, entertainment and shopping opportunities.

It will be a challenging year for the governing body and there will be disagreements on issues but we all must respect the views and opinions of others and listen to our fellow elected officials and the public.

Thank you for your support and have a Happy & Healthy New Year.

NOMINATION FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT – C. Abel Gomez

Motion: Pranzatelli Second: Dixon All in favor: Aye

ADOPT 2019 BY-LAWS

Motion: Gomez Second: Dixon All in favor: Aye

Mayor Fazen announced:

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The first person named shall serve as Chairperson; second shall be designated the 1st Alternate and the third shall be designated the 2nd Alternate –

2019 COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Council President- Abel Gomez

FINANCE

Chairperson- C. Elizabeth Jannuzzi

Two Committee Members: Abel Gomez, Anthony Pranzatelli

PUBLIC WORKS, BLDGS., GROUNDS & UTILITIES Chairman-

C. Robert Dixon

Two Committee Members: Vinnie Petti, Brad Galeta

PUBLIC SAFETY (POLICE & FIRE)

Chairman- C. Abel Gomez

Two Committee Members: Elizabeth Jannuzzi, Anthony Pranzatelli

PERSONNEL, ADMINISTRATION & ORDINANCES

Chairman- C. Brad Galeta

Two Committee Members: Vinnie Petti Robert, Dixon

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chairman- C. Anthony Pranzatelli

Two Committee Members: Abel Gomez, Brad Galeta

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ZONING, CONST. & CODE ENFORCEMENT

Chairman- C. Vinnie Petti

Two Committee Members: Robert Dixon, Elizabeth Jannuzzi

2019 COUNCIL LIAISON APPOINTMENTS

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE - C. Anthony Pranzatelli

BOARD OF HEALTH C. Vinnie Petti

BOARD OF ENGINEERS C. Abel Gomez

BOARD OF EDUCATION C. Abel Gomez/Rob Dixon

CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE C. Abel Gomez

GREEN TEAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE C. Brad Galeta

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION C. Elizabeth Jannuzzi

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD C. Robert Dixon

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE/YOUTH SERVICE COMMISSION C. Brad Galeta

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT C. Abel Gomez

PARKING COMMISSION C. Abel Gomez

PLANNING BOARD C. Anthony Pranzatelli

RECREATION COMMISSION C. Rob Dixon

RESCUE SQUAD C. Abel Gomez

SENIOR CITIZENS GROUP C. Anthony Pranzatelli

SHADE TREE COMMISSION C. Robert Dixon

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT C. Brad Galeta

Motion to approve: Gomez Second: Pranzatelli All in favor: Aye

Resolution No. 2019-01 –Appoint Municipal Officials

BOROUGH PROFESSIONALS -1 year appointment

TAX APPEAL COUNSEL

Shain, Schaffer & Rafanello, Esq. Bernardsville, NJ

LABOR COUNSEL

DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP Teaneck, NJ

BOROUGH ATTORNEY

DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP Teaneck, NJ

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BOROUGH AUDITOR

Hodulik & Morrison, P.A. Highland Park, NJ

BOROUGH BOND COUNSEL

McManimon, Scotland & Bawmann, LLC Roseland, NJ

BOROUGH ENGINEER –TABLED

GRANT WRITER

Millenium Strategies Caldwell, NJ

BOROUGH PROSECUTOR

John E. Bruder, Esq. Bound Brook, NJ

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Robert D. Spengler, Esq. Bound Brook, NJ

Motion: Gomez Second: Dixon All in favor: Aye

R2019-02: Appointment of Municipal Officials

Deputy Borough Clerk	Jasmine Mathis	1 year term
Tax Search Officer	Cynthia Griffith	1 year term
Assessment Search Officer	Donna Marie Godleski	1 year term

Motion: Gomez Second: Pranzatelli All in favor: Aye

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TJ Margolin

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Bruce Gorski- Fire Chief
Joseph Gullia-Deputy Fire Chief

BOUND BROOK/SOUTH BOUND BROOK MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE'/ YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION

Maria Strada
Frances Mauro-Waller
Margaret Draghi
Sally Hoben
Janeen Kinney
Antonio Munoz

CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE

Bonnie Grub

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LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Judy Bailey

PARKING COMMISSION

Fred Nerger

RECREATION COMMISSION

Omar Hernandez- Alternate No. 1

Lisa Cowley-Alternate No. 2

Motion: Gomez Second: Dixon All in favor: Aye

SOMERSET COUNTY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Somerset County Community Development Committee
Administrator Hector Herrera

Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Advisory Committee
Administrator Hector Herrera

Somerset County Solid Waste Advisory Council
Administrator Hector Herrera

Somerset County/Municipal Wastewater Management Planning Committee
Administrator Hector Herrera

Motion: Gomez Second: Pranzatelli All in favor: Aye

RESOLUTIONS

- R3: Adopt 2019 Meeting Schedule
- R4: Adopt Official Newspapers
- R5: Adopt designation of official depositories for borough funds
- R6: Adopt designation of check signatures
- R7: Authorize Tax Collector to cancel any tax refund or delinquency for less than \$10.00 or any refuse or sewer fee or delinquency for less than \$2.00 at the end of the year
- R8: Authorize Tax Collector to set interest rates for delinquent taxes

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- R9: Authorize Tax Collector to conduct a Tax Sale
- R10: Authorize Tax Collector to charge a returned check fee for insufficient funds
- R11: Authorize tax collector to issue a duplicate tax sale certificate
- R12: Authorize Tax Assessor to correct erroneous assessments
- R13: Approve Appointment of Police Matrons
- R14: Adopt Police Department Rules and Regulations
- R15: Approve 2019 Temporary Municipal Budget Appropriations
- R16: Approve 2019 Cash Management Plan
- Motion: Gomez Second: Pranzatelli All in favor: Aye
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COUNCIL COMMENTS

C. Gomez wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. Looking forward to 2019. We have a lot of initiatives on our plate. We are looking at a new Bound Brook for the future.

C. Jannuzzi wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. Looking forward to continuing to work with our strong municipal team. Will be working to maintain the entire town on code enforcement. I will continue to be there for the residents.

C. Pranzatelli announced he has been on council many years and his passion is Economic Development and he will continue it for Bound Brook. The council is getting better each year. The town is making great choices.

C. Petti thanked everyone for showing up. He wished Mr. Galeta good luck. Looking forward to working with Mr. Costa, Director of Code Enforcement.

C. Dixon wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. He stated last year as a newly councilman he got his feet wet. This year he is jumping into the pool. He will continue to push initiatives. Happy to be part of the recreation commission helping the kids with activities.

C. Galeta thanked everyone for coming. He wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. He stated this is his first time in politics. He is excited for the upcoming year.

NEW BUSINESS –None

PUBLIC PORTION – no public comment

BENEDICTION -Mayor Fazen delivered the benediction.

ADJOURNMENT @ 7:25 p.m.

Motion moved by C. Gomez; second by C. Pranzatelli, All in favor: Aye

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk