## **REORGANIZATION MEETING**

## TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

## JANUARY 4, 2012

John Stanzione called to order the Reorganization Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Deerfield, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, at the Municipal Building, 736 Landis Avenue, Rosenhayn, at 7:00 p.m.

The Clerk called on Freeholder Carol Musso to swear in Keith Lauermann as Township Committee Member.

The Clerk called on Freeholder Carol Musso to swear in Frank Spatola as Township Committee Member.

The Clerk Called on Freeholder Carol Musso to swear in Robert Montgomery as Township Committee Member.

The Clerk took roll call and the members present included Mr. Lauermann, Mr. Spatola, Mr. Stanzione, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Laurella.

Mr. Stanzione lead the flag salute.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to appoint Karen Seifrit, Clerk, as Temporary Chairperson. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stanzione, to open the floor for nominations for Mayor. The Committee approved.

Mr. Spatola nominated Cosmo Laurella for Mayor of Deerfield Township for 2012.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to close the nominations for Mayor. The Committee approved.

Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola, to appoint Cosmo Laurella as Mayor of Deerfield Township for the year 2012. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk called on Judge Cavagnaro to swear in Mr. Laurella as Mayor for 2012.

Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to open the floor for nominations for Deputy Mayor. The Committee approved.

Mr. Stanzione nominated Frank Spatola for Deputy Mayor of Deerfield Township for 2012.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to close the nominations for Deputy Mayor. The Committee approved.

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Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to appoint Frank Spatola as Deputy Mayor of Deerfield Township for the year 2012. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk called on Freeholder Carol Musso to swear in Mr. Spatola as Deputy Mayor for 2012.

Mr. Laurella addressed the audience in attendance of the Reorganization Meeting, and thanked his fellow Committee Members for placing trust and faith in him to be the Mayor of Deerfield Township, and also stated he appreciated it and would not let the Committee down. Mr. Laurella then thanked former Township Committee person and Mayor, Carol Musso for taking time this evening and swearing in three Committee Members, and wished her best of luck in her new position of Cumberland County Freeholder, and also thanked Judge Cavagnaro for taking time to come swear Mr. Laurella in as Mayor. Mr. Laurella also thanked his wife, and stated that she made it possible for him to be on the Committee attending meetings, and performing other Township duties for over twenty two (22) years.

Mr. Laurella stated that in one way he is happy 2011 is over, because in 2011 the Township had to raise its taxes, it didn't go over well with the Committee but the Township did what it had to do, because of budget cuts and less money coming in from the County Landfill. Mr. Laurella indicated that in 2011 there was a lot of flooding in the Township due to the large amounts of rain, and the Township did the best it could regarding the flooding problems. Also 2011 brought the turning off of some street lights because of the high electric bills. Mr. Laurella stated that on the bright side, 2011 had the Deerfield Township Construction office busy because of the commercial properties being constructed in the Township, and also home repairs that needed permits.

Mr. Laurella stated that in 2012 the Committee will look into grants that are available for the Township, including road repaying, pagers for the Fire Company, and an energy grant to replace the light fixtures in the Municipal Building to make them more energy efficient. Mr. Laurella stated that at the end of the month, the Township would be losing Judge Casarow, who has been with the Township since 1976, the courts are now being consolidated to save the Municipalities money. Mr. Laurella indicated that in 2011 three Township employees retired, and have been replaced, Mr. Laurella wished the new employees the best and to the retired employees he stated to enjoy retirement.

Mr. Laurella stated that this is the first time since 1979 that the Committee has been an all male Committee, so they better watch what they do, because the ladies will be watching them. Mr. Laurella thanked all the Staff working for Deerfield Township for all the work they have been doing. In closing, Mr. Laurella asked the people of Deerfield Township, if there is a problem, please give the Committee a call or come to a meeting to express their concerns, hopefully 2012 will start looking up for every one through out the United States. Mr. Laurella thanked everyone for coming out this evening. Reorganization Meeting Township Committee January 4, 2012 Page Three

Presentation of Resolutions and Oaths of Office:

The Clerk presented Resolution #12-01 through #12-64 as follows:

- 1. Township Clerk Karen Seifrit
- 2. Township Administrator Karen Seifrit
- 3. Registrar of Vital Statistics Karen Seifrit
- 4. Dog Registrar Karen Seifrit
- 5. Municipal Improvement Search Officer Karen Seifrit
- 6. Fund Commissioner Of The Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund And The Municipal Excess Fund – Karen Seifrit
- 7. Public Agency Compliance Officer Karen Seifrit
- Alternate Fund Commissioner, Loss Control Coordinator and Claims Coordinator Of The Atlantic county Municipal Joint Insurance Fund And Excess Fund – Annette Velez
- 9. Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics Cheryl Tramontana
- 10. Tax Search Officer Maria Branson
- 11. Tax Collector Maria Branson
- 12. Township Solicitor Michael Testa
- 13. Registered Municipal Accountant Carol McAllister
- 14. Township Planner Karabashian Eddington Planning Group
- 15. Court Administrator Brenda Closser
- 16. Court Recorder Amy Zimmerman
- 17. Backup Court Recorders Kathy Rodman And Marion Knipe
- 18. Municipal Judge John A. Casarow, Jr.
- 19. Municipal Prosecutor Philip Davolos
- 20. Alternate Municipal Prosecutor Scott Pagliughi
- 21. Public Defender Nathan Van Embden
- 22. Deputy Court Administrators Amy Zimmerman, Brenda Frisbee, And Marion Knipe
- 23. Flood Insurance Officer Brenda Closser
- 24. Animal Control Officer Ronald Sutton
- 25. Recycling Coordinator Edward Myers
- 26. Environmental Control Officer John Myers
- 27. Public Information Officer Anthony Stanzione
- 28. Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator Herbert Pierce, Jr.
- 29. Chief Fire Marshall Christopher E. Williams
- 30. Deputy Chief Fire Marshall Robert C. Strain
- 31. Backup Deputy Fire Marshall John Hendershott
- 32. Backup Deputy Fire Marshall Michael Feaster
- 33. NIMS Coordinator Christopher E. Williams
- 34. Infectious Control Officer David Chance
- 35. Township Physician Jack M. Shields, M.D.
- 36. Maintenance Officer Edward Myers
- 37. Zoning/Housing Officer Anthony Lamanteer
- Part-Time Laborers Joseph Macera, Bruce Murphy, Gary Harbs And Darin Dorzan
- 39. Full-Time Laborer Ronald Biauce
- 40. Senior Coordinator Lorene Thompson
- 41. Backup Senior Coordinator Leatha Weatherby
- 42. Class II Member Of The Land Use Board John Barbagello
- 43. Class I Member Of The Land Use Board Cosmo J. Laurella
- 44. Class III Member Of The Land Use Board Frank R. Spatola, Jr.
- 45. Class IV Member Of The Land Use Board Ronald Pender
- 46. Alternate Member #1 Of The Land Use Board Joan Pierce
- 47. Alternate Member #2 Of The Land Use Board Joseph Klaus

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- 48. Secretary Of The Recreation Committee Tina Truitt
- 49. Member Of The Recreation Committee Jill Travis
- 50. Member Of The Recreation Committee Anthony Scafidi
- 51. Member Of The Recreation Committee Angelo Manera
- 52. Member Of The Recreation Committee Paul Hoffman
- 53. Member Of The Recreation Committee Beverly O'Brien
- 54. Member Of The Recreation Committee Carol Halter
- 55. Alternate Member #1 Of The Recreation Committee Melody Montgomery
- 56. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Public Information Cosmo J. Laurella And Frank R. Spatola, Jr.
- 57. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Personnel And Administration Frank Spatola and Cosmo J. Laurella
- 58. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Public Buildings And Grounds Keith Lauermann And Robert Montgomery
- 59. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Public Safety, Fire And Rescue John Stanzione And Cosmo J. Laurella
- 60. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Emergency Management Cosmo J. Laurella and Frank R. Spatola, Jr.
- 61. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Roads, Street Lights And Sanitary Landfill –Keith Lauermann And Robert Montgomery
- 62. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Dog Control Keith Lauermann And Robert Montgomery
- 63. Chairperson/Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of Finance And Insurance Cosmo J. Laurella and John Stanzione
- 64. Chairperson /Contracting Agent And Vice-Chairperson Of The Recreation Committee –Frank Spatola And John Stanzione

Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola to adopt Resolutions #12-1 through #12-64. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk called on Freeholder Carol Musso to swear in the Township Officials.

The Clerk asked everyone that was sworn in this evening to come up after the meeting is adjourned to sign their Oaths Of Office.

The Clerk presented Resolution Authorizing #12-65 The Tax Collector To Process Without Further Action, The Cancellation Of Any Property Tax Refund Or Delinquency Of Less Than \$5.00 Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Frank Spatola to adopt Resolution #12-65. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

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The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-66 List Of Official Township Committee Meetings For 2012.

Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to adopt Resolution #12-66. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-67 Adoption Of Temporary Appropriations.

Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola to adopt Resolution #12-67. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-68 Designating Of Fulton Bank As Official Bank And Depository.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to adopt Resolution #12-68. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-69 Authorization Of Investment Of Surplus Funds.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to adopt Resolution #12-69. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-70 Official Newspaper- Bridgeton Evening News.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to adopt Resolution #12-70. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

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The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-71 Interest Rate On Delinquent Taxes.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stanzione to adopt Resolution #12-71. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-72 Authorization To Hold Sale Of Certificates For 2012 Delinquent Taxes Per Official Extended Duplicate Tax List.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to adopt Resolution #12-72. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-73 Establishing Cash Management Plan.

Mr. Lauermann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montogmery to adopt Resolution #12-73. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-74 Awarding Contract For Animal Care Services For The Township Of Deerfield For The Year 2012 To R.S. Animal Shelter, Inc.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to adopt Resolution #12-74. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-75 Awarding Contract For Security Services For All Sessions Of The Deerfield Township Municipal Court For The Year 2012 To Tri-County Security.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to adopt Resolution #12-75. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

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The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-76 Awarding Contract To Sample And Test The Monitoring Wells At The Deerfield Township Sanitary Landfill For The Year 2012 To Val Associates Laboratory, Inc.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laurella to adopt Resolution #10-69. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-77 Awarding A Contract To Sample And Test The Deerfield Township Sanitary Landfill Site For Methane Gas Migration For The Year 2012 To Frainger Engineering, P.A.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to adopt Resolution #12-77. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-78 Awarding A Contract to Spirit Environmental Solutions For Exterminating Services At The Township Of Deerfield Municipal Building, Senior Center and Carmel Fire Hall For The Year 2012.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by, Mr. Lauermann to adopt Resolution #12-78. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk Presented Resolution #12-79 Authorizing The Payments Of Bills.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stanzione to adopt Resolution #12-79. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Mr. Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

Mr. Laurella presented Mr. Stazione with a plaque, and stated that he did a great job last year as Mayor, and is looking forward to working with him in the future.

Mr. Laurella presented Ms. Musso with a plaque for all her years on the Township Committee and all the work she has done for the Township from 1996 to 2011. Mr. Laurella stated he enjoyed running with Ms. Musso as a democrat and republican, because they sit on the Committee for the residents united not as a party.

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Ms. Musso thanked everyone for allowing her to serve Deerfield Township for sixteen (16) years, and stated she is not going away, she will be volunteering at everything from the Fire Department, Harvest Festival, to the Deerfield Township School, and as always, if any one has an issue, on the County level, she encourages the residents to call her and she will do the best she can to help the residents of Deerfield Township, and thanked the residents again.

Mr. Laurella welcomed the previous Committee Members Mr. Spatola, and Mr. Lauermann back to the Committee and also welcomed new Committee Member Mr. Montgomery and wished him luck.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stanzione, to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting. The Committee approved.

> Cosmo Laurella, Chairperson Township of Deerfield

ATTEST:

Karen Seifrit, RMC Township of Deerfield