

**EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REORGANIZATIONAL AGENDA**

**January 4, 2010
8:00 P.M.**

Township Clerk Kim-Marie White called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Township Clerk Kim-Marie White certified that the meeting was published in Burlington County Times on January 10, 2009. Notice was also published on December 22, 2009. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

Everyone participated in the flag salute.

Present were: Council Member Louise Campbell, Council Member Joseph Maroccia, Council Member Keith Nagler, Council Member Jay Springer and Council Member Walter Tafe. Also present were: Township Attorney Eileen Fahey, Municipal Clerk Kim-Marie White and Township Manager Scott Carew.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF MAYOR:

Township Clerk White asked if there was a nomination on the floor for Mayor.

Councilman Nagler nominated Jay Springer for Mayor.

Township Clerk White asked there were any further nominations for Mayor.

Township Clerk White said hearing no further nominations, nominations are now closed.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays Jay Springer is Mayor for 2010.

The Honorable Congressman John Adler administrated the Oath of Office to Mayor Springer.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR:

Mayor Springer asked if there was a nomination on the floor for Deputy Mayor.

Councilman Tafe nominated Louise Campbell for Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Springer asked there were any further nominations for Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Springer said hearing no further nominations, nominations are now closed.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays Louise Campbell is Deputy Mayor for 2010.

The Honorable Congressman John Adler administrated the Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Campbell.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS BY COUNCIL:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expires</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Township Attorney | 1 year | 12-31-10 |
| Township Auditor | 1 year | 12-31-10 |
| Township Planner | 1 year | 12-31-10 |
| Insurance Broker of Record | 1 year | 12-31-10 |

Mayor Springer asked for nominations for Township Attorney, Township Auditor, Township Planner and Insurance Broker of Record.

Councilman Nagler nominated Eileen Fahey as Township Attorney, Holman and Frenia as Township Auditor, Environmental Resolutions, Inc., as Township Planner and BGIA as Insurance Broker of Record.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the following appointments were approved, Eileen Fahey as Township Attorney, Holman and Frenia as Township Auditor, Environmental Resolutions, Inc., as Township Planner and BGIA as Insurance Broker of Record.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2010-01 Temporary Municipal Budget

It was MOVED by TAFE and seconded by NAGLER that Resolution R2010-1 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-1 was approved.

Resolution R2010-02 Schedule of 2010 Township Council Meeting Dates

Resolution R2010-03 Designation of Signatories on Checks

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA that Resolution R2010-3 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-3 was approved.

Resolution R2010-04 Designation of Signatories on Purchase Orders

It was MOVED by TAFE and seconded by MAROCCIA that Resolution R2010-4 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-4 was approved.

Resolution R2010-05 Designation of Official Newspaper

It was MOVED by MAROCCIA and seconded by CAMPBELL that Resolution R2010-5 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-5 was approved.

Resolution R2010-06 Designation of Depository for Municipal Funds

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by MAROCCIA that Resolution R2010-6 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-6 was approved.

Resolution R2010-07 Authorize Participation in and Payment of Fee for State of New Jersey's Cooperative Purchasing Program

Resolution R2010-08 Appoint Municipal Tax Search Officer (Doris La Vacca)

Resolution R2010-09 Appoint Municipal Assessment Search Officer (Kim-Marie White)

Resolution R2010-10 Set Interest Rate and Grace Period and Year End Penalty

Resolution R2010-11 Refund Overpayment of Taxes

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| <u>Resolution R2010-12</u> | Cancel Property Tax Balances Under \$10.00 |
| <u>Resolution R2010-13</u> | Authorize Real Property Assessment Appeals |
| <u>Resolution R2010-14</u> | Designation of Public Agency Compliance Officer |
| <u>Resolution R2010-15</u> | Establish Hours of Operation for Township Departments |

Township Attorney Fahey said there is a correction to the Resolution stating the Public Works Department is on call twenty-four hours for emergency services.

It was MOVED by TAFE and seconded by NAGLER that Resolution R2010-2 and Resolution R2010-7 through Resolution R2010-15 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-2 and Resolution R2010-7 through Resolution R2010-15 were approved.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR:

Land Use Planning Board

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|
| I | 1 year | 12-31-10 | Jay Springer |
| II | 1 year | 12-31-10 | Gene Blair |
| III | 1 year | 12-31-10 | Keith Nagler |
| Class IV | 4 year | 12-31-13 | George Johnstone |

Environmental Commission

| <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Elizabeth Faircloth |
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Daniel Chieco |

Route 206 Corridor Study Liaison

| <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Joe Maroccia |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Walt Tafe |

Emergency Management Council

| <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Ken Hofbrau-Coordinator |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Richard Parks-Public Works |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Jay Springer, Mayor |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | James White-Eastampton Community School |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Steve Sawyer-Eastampton Police Dept |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Michelle Augostino-Eastampton Fire Dept EMT |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Phillip Polios-Haz Mat Coordinator |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Eugene Oberfrank-Fire Chief |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Scott Carew-Township Manager |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Keith Nagler-Mayoral Rep |
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Gene Blair-Eastampton Construction Rep |

As needed:

Nancy Jamanow, Township Engineer
 Lloyd Price, Communication Expert
 Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (Scott Carew) 1 year term expiration 12-31-10

Historic Preservation Commission

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Class A | 1 year | 12-31-10 | Tarquini Organization |
| Class B | 1 year | 12-31-10 | Mary Jones |
| Class C | 4 year | 12-31-13 | Allan Campbell |

APPOINTMENTS BY COUNCIL:

Economic Development Advisory Board

| <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Keith Nagler |
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Jeff Robertson |
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Karen McMahan |
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Dee Bayles |
| 2 year | 12-31-11 | Joe Passalaqua |

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by NAGLER appointing Keith Nagler, Jeff Robertson, Karen McMahan, Dee Bayles and Joe Joe Passalaqua to the Economic Development Advisory Board.

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the appointments were approved.

Parks and Recreation Committee

| <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Rovenna Overton |
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | John Geary |
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Gary Duckworth |
| 3 year | 12-31-12 | Louise Campbell |
| 3 year | 12-31-11 (unexpired) | Roberta Sallee |

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL appointing Rovenna Overton, John Geary, Gary Duckworth, Louise Campbell and Roberta Sallee to the Parks and Recreation Committee.

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the appointments were approved.

Land Use Planning Board

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Alt II | 2 year | 12-31-11 | Ricardo Rodriquez |

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by NAGLER appointing Ricardo Rodriquez to the Land Use Planning Board.

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the appointment was approved.

Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Study Sub-Committee

| <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> | <u>Appointee</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 year | 12-31-10 | Louise Campbell |

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA appointing Louise Campbell to the Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Study Sub-Committee.

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the appointment was approved.

Manager's Appointments

Township Manager Carew appointed the following:

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| Township Engineer | Nancy Jamanow from Environmental Resolutions |
| Dog Registrar | S. Carolyn Farrow |
| Deputy Dog Registrar | Scott Carew |

Deputy Tax Collectors Scott Carew, Gerald Mingin and Carolyn Farrow

PUBLIC FORUM:

Mayor Springer opened the floor to the public.

Kevin Frenia wished Mayor and Council a Happy New Year.

COMMENTS:

Township Attorney Fahey wished everyone a Happy New Year. She thanked everyone for allowing her to serve for another year.

Township Manager Carew wished everyone a Happy New Year. He is looking forward to working with Mayor and Council again.

Township Clerk White wished everyone a Happy New Year and she is looking forward to working with the Mayor and Council again.

Township Engineer Jamanow wished everyone a Happy New Year and thanked them for allowing her to serve them again.

Councilman Maroccia wished everyone a great year.

Councilman Tafe wished everyone a Happy New Year. He said it will be a tough year but they can get through it.

Councilman Nagler wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Deputy Mayor Campbell wished everyone a Happy New Year. She said she looks forward to being Deputy Mayor for the year. She thanked Keith Nagler for being a great Mayor for the year of 2009.

Mayor Springer said "I want to thank the members of town council for appointing me to represent the citizens of Eastampton as their Mayor for 2010. I am truly humbled and promise to do my best. All who serve in elected office know that their success would not be possible without the strong support of their family. Mine has had to make great sacrifices on my behalf. To my wife, Kim and my children, Joshua and Jenna, I love you with all my heart and will forever be in your debt. I will never be able to thank you enough for all that you do.

Serving the community is not always easy, especially in tough economic times like these. In the next few weeks a new legislature and governor will be sworn into office. They have a lot of work to do. Tough decisions will be made regarding government programs, funding for schools and municipal aid. Our state is buckling under the weight of massive debt and service on that

debt that has been ignored by politicians in Trenton for way too long. Chances are that significant cuts will be made in all of these areas. As a result, towns like Eastampton will again be asked to “Do more with less.”

However, all is not bleak. Our town is uniquely qualified to meet this challenge. Eastampton has one of the lowest per capita spending amounts of any municipality in New Jersey. Our town is blessed with some of the most scenic areas within Burlington County and our award winning open space and smart growth initiatives are envied statewide. We are great place to live and raise a family within a reasonable commute to Philadelphia, New York and all points in between. Unfortunately, our greatest assets also work against us. We have one of the lowest ratios of residential to commercial and industrial development in the state. Too much financial burden is put on the residential taxpayers of this town. As we have said here in the Manor House time and time again, we don’t have a spending problem, just a revenue one.

That is why tonight I am announcing a new initiative that I call Eastampton 2020 – a year and a vision. Several very important decision will need to be made over the next decade that will build upon a foundation that has already been laid. Plan the Land is an integral part of that foundation, but we need to do a whole lot more. The development and redevelopment of our Town Center, Rt. 206 corridor and the small portion of our town that fronts Rt. 38 is essential in the next decade. For Lease and For Sale signs now dot every highway in our state and New Jersey’s landscape is scared with endless unfinished housing developments. The “if you build it they will come” mentality of McMansions, endless Strip Malls, Big Box Stores and huge cookie cutter commercial and industrial parks will not bear fruit.

Smart sustainable growth in Eastampton while creating a positive environment for business will be paramount. Facing these challenges will require thoughtful, intelligent and strong leadership from all of us. I look forward to working with council and our professionals to achieve these goals in the coming year.”

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the motion passed to adjourn the meeting.

Kim-Marie White
Kim-Marie White
Municipal Clerk

Jay Springer
Jay Springer
Mayor

Approved: February 8, 2010