

**EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**January 1, 2010**

**11:00 a.m.**

**East Windsor Township Senior Center**

The reorganization meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 11:10 a.m. on Friday, January 1, 2010.

Township Clerk Cindy A. Dye certified that the meeting was noticed in the Annual Notice as a regular meeting. Notice was sent to the Trenton Times, filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted in the East Windsor Municipal Building, all on December 7, 2009. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

**INVOCATION:**

Rabbi Jay M. Kornsgold, Beth El Synagogue

**PRESENTATION OF COLORS AND FLAG SALUTE:**

Boy Scout Troop 6284 (Brian Bazergui, Nathaniel Crabtree, Tom Distelcamp, Daniel Fisher, Nick George, Jimmy Greaves, John Nieradke, Daniel Pelicano, Randall Sivake, Chris VanWhy, and Matt VanWhy)

**READING OF CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION AND  
OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED:**

Mercer County Clerk Paula Sollami Covello read: "Certificate of Election, Board of Canvassers of Mercer County, New Jersey, the said Board does determine that an Election held in the said County on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, two thousand nine HECTOR I. DUKE. was duly elected a member of East Windsor Township Council".

Mercer County Freeholder John Cimino administered the Oath of Office to Hector I. Duke.

Mercer County Clerk Paula Sollami Covello read: "Certificate of Election, Board of Canvassers of Mercer County, New Jersey, the said Board does determine that an Election held in the said County on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, two thousand nine ALAN ROSENBERG was duly elected a member of East Windsor Township Council".

Mercer County Freeholder Ann Cannon administered the Oath of Office to Alan Rosenberg.

Mercer County Clerk Paula Sollami Covello read: "Certificate of Election, Board of Canvassers of Mercer County, New Jersey, the said Board does determine that an Election held in the said County on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, two thousand nine PERRY M. SHAPIRO was duly elected a member of East Windsor Township Council".

Mercer County Freeholder Daniel Benson administered the Oath of Office to Perry M. Shapiro.

**ROLL CALL OF THE 2010 COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Walter T. Daniels Jr., Hector Duke, Marc Lippman, Janice S. Mironov, Alan Rosenberg, Perry M. Shapiro, and Marsha Weinstein were present.

Mayor Janice S. Mironov called for nominations for Mayor. Council Member Perry Shapiro was recognized from the floor and nominated Janice S. Mironov. Council Member Walter Daniels seconded the nomination.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Daniels, Duke, Lippman Rosenberg, Shapiro, Weinstein, Mironov  
Nays - None

There being seven (7) ayes and no nays, Janice S. Mironov was elected Mayor.

Township Attorney David Orron administered the oath of office to Mayor Janice S. Mironov.

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR:**

Mayor Mironov opened the floor for nomination of Deputy Mayor. Council Member Marsha Weinstein nominated Marc Lippman. Council Member Walter Daniels seconded the nomination.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Daniels, Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Weinstein, Mironov  
Nays - None

There being seven (7) ayes and no nays, Marc Lippman was elected Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Janice S. Mironov administered the oath of office to Deputy Mayor Marc Lippman.

**RECOGNITION OF OFFICIALS:**

Mayor Mironov recognized Hightstown Borough Council Members Dimitri Musing and Isabel McGinty; Freeholders Ann Cannon, Daniel Benson, John Cimino, Anthony Carabelli, Pat Colavita, Lucy Walter, and Keith Hamilton; Mercer County Surrogate Diane Gerofsky; Mercer County Clerk Paula Sollami-Covello; Princeton Borough Council Member Andrew Koontz; and Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes. She thanked them all for their attendance and asked Mr. Hughes to speak.

Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes thanked the Mayor and Council and stated there was no place he would rather be than in East Windsor on this day, as this day “fulfills all the promise of the democracy that we hold so true.” He stated he could speak all day to Mayor Mironov and Council’s contributions to the Township and the County, such as open space and farmland preservation, the new playing fields, road improvements, and many other projects. He stated that he has developed a true friendship with Mayor Mironov and praised her leadership, her hard work, and her personal relationship with the residents of East Windsor. He stated that he appreciated East Windsor’s partnership with the County and that he looked forward to future collaborations. He noted that these collaborations, such as open space, would be difficult due to

the economic climate, but that he knew that the Mayor would continue to ably lead the Township through all difficulties.

**APPOINTMENTS BY COUNCIL:**

Township Attorney (1 year term)

Marc Lippman nominated David E. Orron. Marsha Weinstein seconded the nomination.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Daniels, Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Weinstein, Mironov  
Nays - None

There being seven (7) ayes and no nays, David E. Orron was appointed Township Attorney.

Township Prosecutor (1 year term)

Perry Shapiro nominated Renee Lamarre-Sumners. Hector Duke seconded the nomination.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Daniels, Duke, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Weinstein, Mironov  
Nays - None

There being seven (7) ayes and no nays, Renee Lamarre-Sumners was appointed Township Prosecutor.

Township Public Defender (1 year term)

Walter Daniels nominated Robert M. Schwartz. Alan Rosenberg seconded the nomination.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Daniels, Duke, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Weinstein, Mironov  
Nays - None

There being seven (7) ayes and no nays, Robert M. Schwartz was appointed Township Public Defender.

Township Attorney Orron read the following list of names provided by the Mayor:

Clean Communities Advisory Committee:

2 Members - 3 year terms – Vincent Citarella and Joseph Lamagna

Township Council Liaison - 1 year term - Mayor Janice S. Mironov

Commission on Aging:

2 Members - 3 year terms – Ina Heiman and Robert Bangel

Township Council Liaison - 1 year term – Council Member Walter T. Daniels, Jr.

Economic Development Committee:

3 Members - 3 year terms – Michael Henderson, Eric Krause, and Robin-Ann Klotsky

Township Council Liaison - 1 year term – Mayor Janice S. Mironov

East Windsor Municipal Utilities Authority

1 Member - 5 year term – Mark Platizky

Health Advisory Board:

Township Council Liaison - 1 year term – Council Member Marsha Weinstein

Local Assistance Board:

1 Member – 4 year term – Anne Hogue

Township Council Member - 1 year term – Council Member Hector Duke

Planning Board:

Class III Township Council Member – 1 year term – Council Member Perry Shapiro

1 Class IV Member – 4 year term – Barry Clark

Recreation Commission:

2 Members – 5 year term – Joan Gordon and Dolores Murphy

Township Council Liaison – 1 year term – Council Members Hector Duke and Alan Rosenberg

Zoning Board of Adjustment:

2 Members – 4 year term – Christopher Cosenza and Joseph Primiano

Marsha Weinstein moved to nominate all of the above Committee members. The nomination was seconded by Marc Lippman.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Daniels, Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Weinstein, Mironov  
Nays - None

There being seven (7) ayes and no nays, the above Committee and Board members were appointed.

**APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR:**

Environmental Commission:

2 Members - 3 year terms – Paul Levine and Spencer Pierini

Township Council Liaison - 1 year term – Council Member Marsha Weinstein

Planning Board:

Class II - Township Official (Other Than a Member of Council) – 1 year term – Construction Official Roman Petruniak

Auxiliary Members to Township Boards and Committees (1 year terms):

Mayor Mironov appointed the following persons as Auxiliary Members:

Clean Communities Advisory Committee – Richard Warren

Commission on Aging – Hash Shah

Economic Development Committee – Fekru Debebe

Health Advisory Board – Mattie Cramer

Recreation Commission – Vicki Richards and Diane Suznovich

Municipal Alliance Committee: Mayor's Representative - 1 year term – Council Member Walter Daniels

Fire Companies: Township Council Liaison – 1 year term – Council Members Marc Lippman and Marsha Weinstein

Rescue Squads: Township Council Liaison – 1 year term – Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro and Council Member Marsha Weinstein

**PUBLIC FORUM:** None

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution R2010-1 Designating Date, Time and Place of Meetings of Council for 2010

Resolution R2010-2 Designating Official Newspapers

Resolution R2010-3 Interest Rate on Delinquent Taxes

Resolution R2010-4 Certifying Agent for PERS & PFRS

Resolution R2010-5 Designating Official Bank Depositories

Resolution R2010-6 By-Laws of Council for Year 2010

It was moved by Alan Rosenberg and seconded by Marsha Weinstein that Resolutions R2010-01, R2010-02, R2010-03, R2010-04, R2010-05, and R2010-06 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Daniels, Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Weinstein, Mironov  
Nays - None

There being seven (7) ayes and no nays, Resolutions R2010-01, R2010-02, R2010-03, R2010-04, R2010-05, R2010-06 and R2010-07 were approved.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Mironov recognized William Askenstedt, Director of Pubic Works, and William Spain, Chief of Police, on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversaries with the Township.

Mayor Mironov stated Mr. Askenstedt is an extraordinary employee upon whom she relies often. She praised Mr. Askenstedt for his intelligence, hard work, and loyalty and stated her job is made much easier through his help and work. She thanked Mr. Askenstedt for his service.

Mayor Mironov stated the Township was very lucky to have an excellent police department, with this excellence being the result of the leadership of Chief Spain. She stated she could not do her job without Chief Spain. She praised his hard work and unwavering dedication to East Windsor. She thanked Chief Spain for his service.

Mayor Mironov presented the following individuals with Certificates of Appreciation to Volunteers: Hilda Beytas, Barry Clark, Joan Gordan, Michael Henderson, Anne Hogue, Sandra Krietzman, Dolores Murphy, Mark Platizky, and Joseph Primiano. She thanked these individuals for their service and dedication.

**STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AND MAYOR:**

Ms. Weinstein thanked everyone attending the meeting as well as the employees of the Township. She noted that Council would face many challenges in the New Year but that Council would work as hard as possible for the Township. She stated that she hoped Council had earned the residents' respect and trust as they moved into the New Year. She wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Rosenberg stated that he is excited for his third term in service. He noted that some challenges are faced every year, such as the budget, as well as new issues each year, but stated that he had confidence in his fellow council members and Mayor Mironov. He praised Mayor Mironov's work and loyalty. He stated the previous year and the coming year would be difficult but that Council would continue to work for the Township. He thanked the residents for re-electing him.

Mr. Duke thanked everyone for their attendance and their support, and for re-electing him. He noted that being in the senior center was a reminder of the Township's hard work and accomplishments. He praised the Council and East Windsor Township.

Mr. Daniels wished everyone in attendance a happy and healthy new year and thanked them for their presence. He stated the Township would face some difficult challenges in the New Year but noted he was very positive about the outcome because of the Mayor and Council, as well as the volunteers, serving the Township.

Mr. Shapiro thanked everyone in attendance and thanked the voters for re-electing him to his sixth term on Council. He stated it was a pleasure to serve with the Mayor and his fellow Council Members and stated it would be a special year showcasing their talent. He stated Council would do their best to make the lives of East Windsor's residents easier and better.

Mr. Lippman stated he had previously mentioned that despite his tenure of service, the desire to serve was still fresh; this year, not only was the dedication still strong, but so were the challenges. He noted the country was experiencing serious economic problems affecting every municipality in the country; however, he was sure Council could lead the Township through these difficult times. He praised Mayor Mironov's leadership and his fellow Council Members' dedication, as well as the hard work of the Township's employees. He wished everyone a happy New Year.

Mayor Mironov thanked everyone in attendance and wished them a happy New Year. She congratulated Mr. Shapiro, Mr. Duke, and Mr. Rosenberg, and thanked the voters for their support. She thanked all those who participated in the meeting, especially County Executive Brian Hughes. She also recognized County Chairman Richard McClellan and thanked him for his support. She stated that East Windsor was very lucky to have such dedicated volunteers on the fire companies and rescue squads, and recognized the attendance of Chief Barry Rashkin. She thanked the Council Members for the honor of serving as Mayor. She stated she had previously called 2009 a challenging year; however, 2010 would be significantly harder. She asked for understanding and cooperation from the community in dealing with these difficult and unpleasant times. She stated that it was necessary to deal with these issues, but that they would try to do so in the best way while minimizing the effect on the public and on the Township employees, and asked everyone to work with Council as they went forward.

Mayor Mironov stated that property taxes remain a primary concern; she noted she hoped State government would recognize the issue and help assist, or at least not worsen, the burden of the residents. She stated the Township would continue to look into shared services opportunities, such as the possibility of East Windsor providing court and police services to Hightstown. With respect to the Township's business community, she recognized the representatives present and the difficulties facing them. She noted she hoped to continue the relationship between business owners and the Township. She stated open space would remain another important area, and noted the Township was fortunate in receiving an \$850,000 grant to be used towards green space.

Regarding transportation, Mayor Mironov stated they intended to continue their projects; she referenced the grants for One Mile Road, Hickory Corner Road, and Twin Rivers Drive North. Also, a traffic study calming grant was received and was being used to improve traffic in the community. She also referenced the Hankins Road/Conover Road/Route 130 project and stated she hoped to receive an answer soon as to whether the project would be feasible. She stated Mercer County was proceeding with the replacement of the Cranbury Station Road bridge. She stated the Township would continue with these and other projects through the use of grants and private funding.

Mayor Mironov stated that the Township looked forward to continuing the high quality of service at the Senior Center. She welcomed Dina Leacock, the new director. She mentioned Meadow Lakes had recently opened 60 new units, and that a new assisted living facility was currently being proposed. In regards to recreation, she referenced the Turnpike Park Pathway and the playing fields at Disbrow Hill Road, both grant-funded, which both should be finished soon. She stated the Council had been resourceful about finding grant money or private developer money to keep projects going.

Mayor Mironov thanked the Council Members, Township employees, and all the volunteers. She stated they recognized the difficulties of the coming year but that she was sure the Township would pull through, and that she looked forward to a happier time. She invited everyone to stay to socialize and enjoy something to eat.

Mayor Mironov adjourned the meeting at 12:28 p.m.

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CINDY A. DYE  
Municipal Clerk

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JANICE S. MIRONOV  
Mayor