

**BOROUGH OF RAMSEY
THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
REORGANIZATION MEETING OF JANUARY 25, 2021**

Mr. Emmer called Reorganization meeting of The Board of Public Works to order at 7:31 PM. The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law Notice has been posted in the municipal building and published in The Bergen Record and The Ridgewood News on January 8th, 2021. The meeting was conducted via conference call due to COVID-19.

Board members present were Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. Martin, Mr. Emmett, Mr. O'Rourke, Dr. Goujani and Mr. Coronato. Along with Councilman Kilman, Mr. Skorupa, Mr. Corrison, Mr. Vozech, Mr. DeBlock and Mr. Menegihn from Crew. Mr. Bacolo was absent.

Mayor Dillon Swore in Dr. Goujani, Mr. Emmett and Mr. Coronato

REORGANIZATION

Approve by-laws of 2020 and adopt for 2021 by Mayor Dillon

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AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Emmett and Dr. Goujani

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Nomination for President of Board of Public Works for 2021:

Motion by Mr. Martin to nominate Mr. Emmer for President of Board of Public Works for 2021.

Motion to close nominations

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Emmett and Dr. Goujani

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Nomination for Vice President of Board of Public Works for 2021:

Motion by Mr. Emmer to nominate Mr. Coronato for Vice President of Board of Public Works for 2021.

Motion to close nominations

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Emmett and Dr. Goujani

NAYS:

ABSENT:

TEMPORARY BUDGET

Temporary Budget for 2021

Resolution by: Mr. Emmer

Seconded by: Mr. Coronato

To adopt resolution presented on January 5, 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Whereas, 40A: 4-19 Local Budget Act provides that (where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2021 budget) temporary appropriations be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided;

Whereas, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of 2021, and

Whereas, the appropriations in the 2020 budget less appropriation made for capital improvement fund, debt service and relief of the poor (public assistance) are as follows:

Water & Sewer Utility \$ 6,453,500.00

Whereas, 26.25 percent of the total appropriation in the 2020 budget, less appropriations for capital improvement fund, debt service and relief of the poor (public assistance) in the said 2020 budget is as follows:

Water & Sewer Utility \$ 1,694,043.75

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ramsey, County of Bergen, that the temporary appropriation be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for her records.

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Emmett and Dr. Goujani

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Budget will be sent to Chief Financial Officer, Denise Bartalotta.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS FOR 2021

Resolution by: Mr. Emmer

Seconded by: Mayor Dillon

To secure professional services for 2021:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Board of Public Works requires the professional services of a registered municipal accountant, consulting engineer, operator and attorney for the year 2021, and

Whereas, it is anticipated that the 2021 expenditures and value of such professional services may exceed the sum of \$40,000 in said calendar year, and

Whereas, it is contemplated that the 2021 budget will contain the necessary Appropriations estimated to be reasonable required for each of such professional services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Public Works of the Borough of Ramsey that the following appointments be made and are hereby made for the year 2021:

Motion by Mr. Emmer, seconded by Mayor Dillon to appoint; Mauro Bacolo of Crew Engineers, Inc. as Consulting Engineer for Water and Sewer; to appoint E. Carter Corrison as Board of Public Works Attorney; to appoint James DeBlock of DeBlock Environmental Services, LLC as Operator for Water and Sewer Systems; to appoint Garbarini & Co PC as Registered Municipal Accountant Carried.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforesaid appointments were made without competitive bidding under the provision of the N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5 which exempts from competitive bidding “professional services” rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law.

On the resolution procedure, Mr. Emmer asked if proposals for services were on-hand. Crew; Mr. Corrison; James DeBlock.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published in The Bergen Record within ten (10) days of its passage as required by law. The foregoing resolution was approved unanimously.

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O’Rourke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Emmett and Dr. Goujani

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Motion by Mayor Dillon to appoint Mrs. Bartalotta as Treasurer to Board of Public Works.

Motion by Mayor Dillon to authorize Finance Committee to authorize investment of excess funds in legally approved investments with report to be given at Board meetings of any investments made.

Motion by Mayor Dillon to appoint Mrs. Kelly Sylvester as Secretary to Board of Public Works.

Mayor Dillon appointed Committee Chairmen: for Finance, Mr. Emmett; for Operations Committee, Mr. O’Rourke.

On foregoing appointments, response was unanimous:

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O’Rourke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Emmett and Dr. Goujani

NAYS: None

ABSENT:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Reorganization meeting. Motion by Mr. Emmer, seconded by Mr. Coronato.