

**ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2024**

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Borough Clerk Hutchinson called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Borough Clerk read the following statement: "Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by posting on the bulletin board at Borough Hall and by notification to the Asbury Park Press, the Newark Star Ledger, and the Coaster at least 48 hours prior to this meeting and filing with the Borough Clerk all on December 19, 2023."

All present stood for Salute to Flag.

STATEMENT OF ELECTION

Petitions were filed by 3 Candidates to fill 3 Full Time Seats for Council-Member-At-Large. The results of the municipal election held November 7, 2023, in the Borough of Tinton Falls as certified by the County Clerk are as follows:

Tracy Buckley: 4,259

Risa Clay: 4,241

Mike Nesci: 4,288

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Newly elected officials were:

- Tracy A. Buckley, Councilmember was sworn in by Assemblywoman-Elect Luanne Peterpaul
- Risa Clay, Councilmember was sworn in by Senator Vin Gopal
- Michael J. Nesci, Councilmember was sworn in by Senator Vin Gopal

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Ms. Buckley, Mrs. Clay, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Manginelli, Mr. Nesci

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Michelle Hutchinson, Borough Clerk
Kevin Starkey, Director of Law
Vito Perillo, Mayor
Charles Terefenko, Borough Administrator
Thomas Fallon, Director of Finance
Thomas Neff, Borough Engineer

COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

Nomination of Council President

Dr. Dobrin offered a motion to open the nominations for Council President, seconded by Mr. Nesci.

ROLL CALL

AYES: All in Favor

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Appointment of Council President

Mr. Manginelli offered a nomination of Councilwoman Risa Clay for Council President, seconded by Dr. Dobrin.

Clerk Hutchinson asked if there were any other nominations for Council President, hearing none, Ms. Buckley offered a motion to close the nominations for Council President, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: All in Favor

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Roll call vote on the nomination for Council President, by Clerk Hutchinson.

ROLL CALL (to appoint Risa Clay as Council President)

AYES: Mrs. Clay, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Manginelli, Mr. Nesci

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NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Nomination of Deputy Council President

Mr. Manginelli offered a motion to open the nominations for Deputy Council President, seconded by Mrs. Clay.

ROLL CALL

AYES: All in Favor
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Appointment of Deputy Council President

Mrs. Clay offered a motion to nominate Dr. Dobrin for Deputy Council President, seconded by Mr. Nesci.

Ms. Hutchinson asked if there were any other nominations, Mrs. Clay offered a motion to close the nominations for Deputy Council President, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: All in Favor
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Roll call vote on the nomination for Council President, by Clerk Hutchinson.

ROLL CALL (to appoint Dr. Dobrin as Deputy Council President)

AYES: Ms. Buckley, Mrs. Clay, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Nesci, Mr. Manginelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Swearing-In of Council President and Deputy Council President

At this time Senator Vin Gopal was asked to swear in the Council President and Deputy Council President.

Mrs. Risa Clay was sworn-in as Council President by Senator Vin Gopal.

Dr. Lawrence Dobrin was sworn-in as Deputy Council President by Senator Vin Gopal.

STATEMENT OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Ms. Buckley thanked the residents and voters for their faith in her serving another term and representing their interests. She noted there are vacancies on the Environmental and Shade Tree Commissions and asked for volunteers. She thanked all the resident volunteers serving on all the boards, commissions, committees, EMT's and fire services and acknowledged their participation being critical to the success of the borough. Ms. Buckley congratulated Council President Clay and Deputy President Dobrin on their election.

Mr. Nesci thanked his family for their support. He thanked the residents for their trust in him and fellow council members in guiding the borough to a safe and affordable borough to live. He also thanked the borough employees, professionals, and volunteers. It is an honor to be reelected and serve and looking forward to the next four years.

Mrs. Clay thanked the voters and Ms. Buckley and Mr. Nesci for another successful campaign. She is looking forward to working with her fellow council members and continuing to serve the community that she loves. Mrs. Clay thanked Mayor Perillo, professionals, and borough staff for making the job easier with their assistance. Also thanking her family and friends for their support on this journey.

APPOINTMENTS TO PLANNING BOARD

Mayor Perillo asked that Council President Clay to announce the appointments to the Planning Board:

Nicole Kelly	Class I	term ending December 31, 2025
Lori Paone	Class II	1 year term ending December 31, 2024
Robert Clayton	Class IV	4 year term ending December 31, 2027

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Robert Markoff	Class IV	4 year term ending December 31, 2027
Richard Wallace	Class IV	4 year term ending December 31, 2027
Peter Schwarz	Class IV	Unexpired term ending December 31, 2024
Herbert Green	Alt. #2	2 year term ending December 31, 2025

APPOINTMENT TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Mayor Perillo asked that Council President Clay to announce the appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission:

Michael Lee	Class B	4 year term ending December 31, 2027
Kathleen DeAngelo	Alt. #1	2 year term ending December 31, 2025

REPORT OF MAYOR/COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATION

Engineer's Report- Thomas Neff

Mr. Neff commented on the ongoing library construction and said be careful of construction activity if near the property. He provided an update on the lightning detector project stating the sirens are now installed at Liberty, Hockhockson and Sycamore parks. The sirens are being adjusted and you may hear test siren sounds until adjustments are completed. There will be signage and messaging to the public to follow.

Director of Finance - Thomas Fallon

Mr. Fallon had no report.

Borough Administrator- Charles Terefenko

Mr. Terefenko congratulated the elected council members. He highlighted the grant funding received by the Borough through the efforts of all the professionals. He noted through the efforts of Senator Gopal a \$600,000 grant was received for the Sycamore softball fields and the NJDCA public safety grant for \$50,000. Also, \$74,000 through NCDA a recreational improvement grant received for softball fields; Monmouth County Open Space grant of \$195,000 for Wardell Park restroom buildings; construction bond grant of \$217,500 for the library. Tinton Falls was recognized by Sustainable New Jersey and thanked the Green Team, Environmental Commission and DPW staff. He also mentions the police have brought back the Neighborhood Watch program and National Night Out event. The Nixel Everbridge public address system has been initiated for emergencies and public events. An Opioid Awareness Prevention program will be starting in the schools through the police department. The Borough received exemplary marks on the audit report.

Mayor's Report- Vito Perillo

Mayor Perillo had no report. He congratulated the elected officials and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Director of Law- Kevin Starkey

Mr. Starkey had no report. He congratulated the elected officials and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Borough Clerk's Report- Michelle Hutchinson

Ms. Hutchinson had no report.

Council's Report

Ms. Buckley has no additional report.

Dr. Dobrin stated the library will be opened this year and thanked everyone for their support.

Mr. Manginelli congratulated Mrs. Clay and Dr. Dobrin on their appointments as President and Deputy President of the council. He remarked his past year as President was rewarding working with a great group of people and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Nesci had no report.

Mrs. Clay attended the EMS/Fire Swearing in of Officers on January 1, 2024, having the privilege of swearing in the officers. She thanked them for all their service. Also, thanked Mr. Manginelli for his leadership this past year and his continued support of the council.

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PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mr. Nesci offered a motion to open the Public Discussion, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: All in Favor
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION OPEN

Mrs. Clay asked the Clerk if any public comments were submitted. Ms. Hutchinson stated there were none.

Danielle Jones, 282 Wyckoff Road, Eatontown Councilwoman - Ms. Jones congratulated the elected council members and offered her support to the council and herself as a resource to contact for assistance.

Ellen Goldberg, 90 Glenwood Drive – Ms. Goldberg wished everyone a Happy, Healthy New Year. She thanked Council and employees for doing a great job and commented Tinton Falls is a fantastic town to raise a family. Thanking Mr. Manginelli for his leadership of the council and looking forward to Mrs. Clay and Dr. Dobrin’s leadership in their new roles. Thank you to DPW for the menorah lighting event and cleaning up after the storms so quickly. Ms. Goldberg stated her excitement about the recycling calendar and the library reopening.

Brendan Tobin, 5 Chestnut Court – Mr. Tobin thanked DPW for their great job and congratulated the reelected council members.

Ronnie Battista, 521 Tinton Avenue – Mr. Battista expressed his gratitude for having served on the Zoning Board for sixteen years and wanted to thank his fellow staff and professionals. He congratulated the reelected council members and thanked them for their service.

Mrs. Clay and Mrs. Buckley thanked Mr. Battista for his service.

There being no further comments from the public, Mr. Manginelli offered a motion to close the Public Discussion, seconded by Dr. Dobrin.

ROLL CALL

AYES: All in Favor
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION CLOSED

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER - None

RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Hutchinson read Resolution R-24-001 entitled: Resolution Appointing Members of Environmental Commission

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R-24-001

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the appointment of the below listed persons made by the Mayor be and the same is hereby confirmed. Said terms to be effective as listed below.

Jonathan Cohen	Regular Member - Term 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2026 (Seat 1)
Robert Markoff	Regular Member - Term 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2026 (Seat 2)
Brynn Mosello	Regular Member - Term 01/01/2022 - 12/31/2024 (Seat 7) Unexpired
Tatiana Swenda	Alt. Member #1 - Term 01/01/2023 - 12/31/2024 (Seat 8) Unexpired
Michelle Simon	Alt. Member #2 - Term 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2025 (Seat 9)

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Mr. Nesci offered a motion to adopt Resolution R-24-001, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Ms. Buckley, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Nesci, Mr. Manginelli, Mrs. Clay
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Hutchinson read Resolution R-24-002 entitled: Appointing A Member To The Green Team Advisory Committee

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R-24-002

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE GREEN TEAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls appoints the following person to the Tinton Falls Green Team Advisory Committee for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2024:

Members:

Tracy Buckley	Agent and Council member
Ellen Goldberg	Environmental Commission member
Tatiana Swenda	Environmental Commission member
Steven Surman	Environmental Commission member
Brynn Mosello	Local Business representative
Lora Smith-Staines	Committee member
Vacant	Committee member

Dr. Dobin offered a motion to adopt Resolution R-24-002, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Ms. Buckley, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Nesci, Mr. Manginelli, Mrs. Clay
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Hutchinson read Resolution R-24-003 entitled: Resolution Appointing Members To Planning Board

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R-24-003

RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLASS III MEMBER TO PLANNING BOARD

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls that Michael J. Nesci is hereby appointed as the Borough Council's appointment to the Planning Board as a Class III Member. Term to expire December 31, 2024 (Seat 3).

Dr. Dobrin offered a motion to adopt Resolution R-24-003, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Ms. Buckley, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Nesci, Mr. Manginelli, Mrs. Clay
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Hutchinson read Resolution R-24-004 entitled: Resolution Appointing Members to Zoning Board of Adjustment

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R-24-004

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls that the following members be appointed to the Borough of Tinton Falls Zoning Board of Adjustment:

Kashyap Parikh	Member	Term to Expire 12/31/2027 (Seat 1)
Ronald Palmieri	Member	Term to Expire 12/31/2027 (Seat 2)
Shelia Hatami	Member	Term to Expire 12/31/2027 (Seat 7)

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Scott Provines	Alternate Member #1	Term to Expire 12/31/2025 (Seat 8)
Gregory Alessi	Alternate Member #2	Term to Expire 12/31/2024 (Seat 9) Unexpired

Mr. Manginelli offered a motion to adopt Resolution R-24-004, seconded by Dr. Dobrin.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Ms. Buckley, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Nesci, Mr. Manginelli, Mrs. Clay
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Hutchinson read Resolution R-24-005 entitled: Resolution - Appointing Council Liaisons

BOROUGH OF TINTON FALLS **R-24-005**
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RESOLUTION - APPOINTING COUNCIL LIAISONS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls appoints the following liaisons for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2024:

Board of Education Liaison	Councilwoman Risa Clay
Environmental Commission Liaison	Councilwoman Tracy A. Buckley
Library Liaison	Councilman Larry Dobrin
Historic Commission Liaison	Councilman John Manginelli
Zoning Board Liaison	Councilman John Manginelli

Mr. Nesci offered a motion to adopt Resolution R-24-005, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Ms. Buckley, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Nesci, Mr. Manginelli, Mrs. Clay
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Dobrin offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ms. Buckley.

ROLL CALL

AYES: AYES: Ms. Buckley, Dr. Dobrin, Mr. Nesci, Mr. Manginelli, Mrs. Clay
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

BOROUGH OF TINTON FALLS **R-24-006**
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**RESOLUTION DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS
FOR THE BOROUGH OF TINTON FALLS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls that the Asbury Park Press, The Coaster and the Newark Star Ledger are hereby designated as the official newspapers for the Borough of Tinton Falls pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:53-1.

BOROUGH OF TINTON FALLS **R-24-007**
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION – 2024 TEMPORARY MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40a:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2024 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of January 2024; and

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WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2023 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance, is the sum of \$26,375,226 and \$5,356,500 for the General Budget and Sewer Utility Budget respectively; and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2023 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance in said 2023 budget is the sum of \$6,923,497 and \$1,406,081 for the General Budget and Sewer Utility Budget respectively.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following schedule of temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records.

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R-24-008

RESOLUTION - 2024 DEBT SERVICE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides authority for appropriating in a temporary resolution the permanent debt service requirements for the coming fiscal year providing that such resolution is not made earlier than December 20th of the year preceding the beginning of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is subsequent to December 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, principal and interest will be due on various dates from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, inclusive, on bonds and notes issued and outstanding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following appropriations be made to cover the period from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 inclusive:

DEBT SERVICE – CURRENT FUND

Principal on Bonds	\$1,100,000
Principal on Notes	900,000
Interest on Notes	295,000
Interest on Bonds	227,250
	<u>227,250</u>
	<u><u>\$2,522,250</u></u>

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R-24-009

RESOLUTION - AMENDING R-01-003 AUTHORIZING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, R-01-003 Authorizing Cash Management Plan was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls on January 2, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the adopted Cash Management Plan included a list of designated depositories of the Borough of Tinton Falls; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has requested that the list of designated depositories be amended as follows:

TD Bank
OceanFirst Bank
Manasquan Bank
N.J. Cash Management Fund

WHEREAS, the banks listed above with the exception of State of NJ Cash Management Fund have filed Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Forms pursuant to N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.26 (P.L. 2005 c.271, s2). In addition, all banks are protected by the State of New Jersey Governmental Unit Protection Act after filing Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Forms pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 (P.L. 2005 c.271, s2).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls that Resolution R-01-003 be and is hereby amended as stated above.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer and/or designated Borough Officials are hereby authorized to execute any documents and/or contracts as required by the individual depositories.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough's authorized signatories are the Mayor, Borough Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Tax Collector.

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R-24-010

RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls that petty cash funds be the same are hereby established for the following Departments in the amounts specified:

Department of Audit, Accounts & Control (Administered by Tax Collector)	\$250.00
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R-24-011

RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF MUNICIPAL CERTIFICATE OF SALE

WHEREAS, Tax Sale Certificate #23-3320 was issued to the Borough of Tinton Falls for sewer charges on Block 37 Lot 13 (312 Hance Avenue), assessed to Park Church, at a tax sale held on December 13, 2023 and

WHEREAS, the Park Church has redeemed Certificate #23-3320 by paying the full amount of the certificate's delinquency.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Tinton Falls are hereby authorized to endorse Certificate of Sale #23-3320 for cancellation.

I, Carol Hussey, Tax Collector of the Borough of Tinton Falls, hereby certify that Tax Sale Certificate #23-3320 was redeemed on December 14, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Nesci offered a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Manginelli.

ROLL CALL

AYES: All in Favor

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

TIME: 8:21 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Hutchinson, Borough Clerk

Risa Clay, Council President

APPROVED AT A MEETING HELD ON: