

## Re-Organization Meeting January 2, 2018

The 2018 Re-Organization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Caldwell was held on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 and began at 6:38pm.

The meeting was called to order by Borough Attorney, David M. Paris, Esq., announcing that notice of the date, time and location were provided in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

Mr. Paris announced that Mayor Alessi was unable to attend the meeting due to illness. Mr. Paris asked Judge Donald J. O'Connor to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS**

Tami Michelotti, Acting Borough Clerk, presented the Certification of Results of the November 7, 2017 General Election wherein it is stated that the following were duly elected:

- Cynthia D. Santomauro, Council Member – 3-year term
- John F. Chiaia, Council Member – 3-year term

### **OATHS OF OFFICE**

An Oath of Office was administered by Honorable Donald J. O'Connor, Municipal Court Judge of the Borough of North Caldwell, to Cynthia D. Santomauro.

Mr. Paris asked Councilwoman Santomauro to preside over the meeting at this time.

An Oath of Office was administered by Honorable Donald J. O'Connor to John F. Chiaia. Councilman Chiaia thanked his family and noted several changes in town including the traffic light at the regional high school, improvements to Walker's Pond, the plans for a turf field at Liberty Field, and the approval of a dog park. He stated that the Borough is able to accomplish a lot because of the hard work of the people on the Council. He added his appreciation for a great running mate in Councilwoman Santomauro and for the support of Mark Schwartz, Dennis Klein and the residents of North Caldwell.

### **ROLL CALL**

A roll call was conducted with the following in attendance:  
Councilwoman Santomauro, Councilman Chiaia, Councilman Kessler, Councilman Raymond, Councilman Rees

Absent: Mayor Alessi, Councilman Astorino

Also in attendance Frank Zichelli, Borough Administrator/Engineer; David M. Paris, Esq., Borough Attorney; Mark Deuer, Police Chief; and Tami Michelotti, Acting Borough Clerk.

### **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS**

Councilwoman Santomauro stated that Mayor Alessi's annual address would be postponed until the next meeting.

### **ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Chiaia to elect Councilwoman Cynthia Santomauro as Council President for the year 2018, seconded by Councilman Raymond. This motion was carried unanimously with five votes. Councilman Chiaia noted Council President Santomauro's hard work, role as a senior member on the Council and well-earned respect. Council President Santomauro commended

the Council for the roles they play and for how well the Council works together on challenges.

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE DESIGNATIONS**

Council Committee Designations were announced by Council President Santomauro:

**Finance:** Councilman Astorino – Chair, Councilman Kessler, Councilman Rees

**Legal Ordinance:** Councilman Raymond – Chair, Councilman Astorino, Council President Santomauro

**Personnel:** Councilman Rees – Chair, Councilman Kessler, Council President Santomauro

**Public Safety:** Councilman Chiaia – Chair, Councilman Astorino, Councilman Raymond

**Public Works:** Council President Santomauro – Chair, Councilman Chiaia, Councilman Rees

**Recreation:** Councilman Kessler – Chair, Councilman Chiaia, Councilman Raymond

### **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

Resolution R-1-18 – A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract for the Borough of North Caldwell – David M. Paris, Esq. of Piro, Zinna, Cifelli, Paris & Genitempo, LLC, Borough Legal Counsel was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-2-18 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract for the Borough of North Caldwell – Joseph Faccone of Samuel, Klein & Co., Borough Auditor was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-3-18 A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract for the Borough of North Caldwell – John Draikiwicz of Gibbons, PC, Bond Counsel was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-4-18 - A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract for the Borough of North Caldwell – Jeffrey R. Surrenian & Associates, LLC, Special COAH Counsel was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-5-18 – A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract for the Borough of North Caldwell – John Cesaro, Esq. Municipal Prosecutor was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-6-18 – A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract for the Borough of North Caldwell – Burgis Associates, Inc. Borough Planner was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-7-18– A Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Services Contract for the Borough of North Caldwell – M. Trevor Lyons of Walsh, Pizzi,

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O'Reilly, Falanga, LLC Labor Attorney was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-8-18 – A Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Public Defender, James Pomaco was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-9-18– A Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Ashley Nolen as Municipal Court Administrator for the Municipal Court of the Borough of North Caldwell & Essex Fells was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-10-18 - A Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Water Superintendent and Water Operator – Frank Zichelli was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-11-18 – A Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Stormwater Coordinator – Frank Zichelli was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Resolution R-12-18 - A Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Crossing Guards –Michael Wrobel and Stephen Lerner was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

#### **MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS**

Council President Santomauro announced the following Mayoral Appointments for which no Council confirmation is required:

##### Planning Board

Class IV, Regular Member – Joseph Brower – four year term to expire 12/31/21  
Class IV, Regular Member – James Campbell – four year term to expire 12/31/21  
Class IV, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate – Sandra Nathans – four year term to expire 12/31/21  
Class II, Regular Member – Frank Zichelli– one year term to expire 12/31/2018

#### **MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS WITH COUNCIL CONSENT**

Council President Santomauro announced the following Mayoral Appointments with Council Consent:

##### Camp Wyanokie Commission

John Gakos – one year term to expire 12/31/2018  
George Press – one year term to expire 12/31/2018

##### Historical Commission

Michael Cuozzo – 2 year term to expire 12/31/2020

#### **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS**

Council President Santomauro made a motion to appoint Art Rees to serve as Class III member of the Planning Board, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Council President Santomauro made a motion to appoint Joseph Angelo to serve a four year term to expire December 31, 2021 as a Regular Member of the Zoning

Board of Adjustment, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Council President Santomauro made a motion to appoint Edith Jenkins to serve a four year term to expire December 31, 2021 as a Regular Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

Council President Santomauro made a motion to appoint Anthony Floria-Callori to serve a two year term to expire December 31, 2019 as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Council President Santomauro read the following Resolutions as part of a consent agenda. Hearing no objection to move with one motion, Council President Santomauro moved to adopt all of the resolutions, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes.

R-13-18 2018 Annual Schedule of Meetings

R-14-18 2018 Depositories Authorization

R-15-18 2018 Official Newspapers Designations

R-16-18 2018 Petty Cash Funds Authorization

R-17-18 2018 Temporary Budget Adoption

R-18-18 Resolution Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.)

R-19-18 Resolution of the Borough of North Caldwell, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, Fixing the Rate of Interest to be Charged on Delinquent Taxes of Assessments

R-20-18 Authorizing Specific Payments that can be Made Outside of a Meeting

R-21-18 Authorization to Approve Professional Service Contracts for Recreation Programs

R-22-18 Authorizing Appointment of Fund Commissioner, Frank Zichelli, and Alternate Fund Commissioner, Tami Michelotti

R-23-18 Resolution of the Borough of North Caldwell Waiving the Appointment of a Risk Management Consultant and Indemnifying and Holding Harmless the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund as a Result of any Claims Arising from said Action

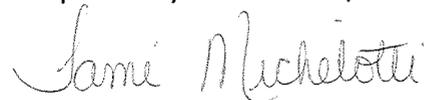
R-24-18 Authorizing Appointment of 2017 Officers for the North Caldwell Volunteer Fire Department

### **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Council President Santomauro opened the floor to the public. Mr. Klein wished everyone a happy and healthy new year.

There being no other matters to be addressed by the Mayor and Council, a motion was made by Councilman Raymond, seconded by Councilman Kessler that the meeting be adjourned. Said motion was carried unanimously with five votes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Tami Michelotti  
Acting Borough Clerk