#### Township of Mount Laurel Reorganization Council Meeting January 5, 2021 Burlington County College 6:00 P.M.

Municipal Clerk called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance and traditional moment of silence were observed.

#### PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

The Public Announcement, which is required by the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey and read at every meeting of the Township Council was read by the Municipal Clerk.

Municipal Clerk introduces Councilpersons Councilwoman Karen Cohen Councilwoman Fozia Janjua Councilman Nick Moustakas

Oath of Office administered individually to each newly elected Councilmember

#### ROLL CALL

Councilwoman Karen Cohen – present, Councilwoman Fozia Janjua – present, Councilman Nick Moustakas – present, Councilman Kareem Pritchett – present, Councilman Stephen Steglik – present, George Morris, Township Solicitor – present, Meredith Tomczyk, Township Manager/Township Clerk - present

Municipal Clerk calls for nominations for Mayor for 2021.

Councilman Pritchett nominated Councilman Steglik, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Moustakas Roll Call 5 yes votes

Municipal Clerk declares Councilman Steglik as Mayor for the year 2021. Oath of office administered.

Gravel presented to new Mayor by Municipal Clerk.

Mayor gave acceptance remarks and goals for 2021

Mayor calls for nominations for Deputy Mayor for 2021.

Councilwoman Janjua nominated Councilman Pritchett,  $2^{\rm nd}$  Councilwoman Cohen Roll Call 5 yes votes

Mayor declares Councilman Pritchett as Deputy Mayor for the year 2021. Oath of office administered.

## RESOLUTION #1-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY Parker McCay

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #1-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #2-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP CONFLICT ATTORNEY Rainone, Coughlin, Minchello

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #2-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

## RESOLUTION #3-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP LABOR COUNSEL Marmero Law, LLC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #3-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #4-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP REDEVELOPMENT ATTORNEY

Campbell Rocco

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #4-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #5-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY

Marmero Law, LLC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #5-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #6-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ATTORNEY

Winer Law Group LLP

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #6-2021: Deputy Mayotr Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

## RESOLUTION #7-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP BOND COUNSEL Malamut and Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #7-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### <u>RESOLUTION #8-2021: APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR</u> Chance & McCann

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #8-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua. Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #9-2021: APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER

Daniel M. Rosenberg & Associates, LLC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #9-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

### RESOLUTION #10-2021: APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING CONSULTANT CME Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #10-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

### RESOLUTION #11-2021: APPOINTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT PLANNER CME Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #11-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett,  $2^{nd}$  Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

### RESOLUTION #12-2021: APPOINTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER T & M Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #12-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #13-2021: APPOINTMENT OF TRAFFIC ENGINEER

Pennoni

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #13-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #14-2021: APPOINTMENT OF OPEN SPACE ENGINEER & CONSULTANT

Pennoni

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #14-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett., 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

### RESOLUTION #15-2021: APPOINTMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNER Harbor Consultants

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #15-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #16-2021: APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANT TO ADMINISTER A RENTAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM AND A MARKET TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

CME Associates

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #16-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #17-2021: APPOINTMENT OF INSURANCE BROKER Hardenbergh

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #17-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #18-2021: APPOINTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT CONNER STRONG & BUCK A LOU TO THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #18-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #19-2021: APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Phoenix Advisors

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #19-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett., 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #20-2021: APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Mercadien, P.C.

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #20-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #21-2021: APPOINTMENT OF APPRAISERS

Sockler Realty Services Group

BRB Valuation & Sonsulting Services

Appraisal Consultants Corp.

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #21-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #22-2021: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS PLANNING BOARD

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #22-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Mayor Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #23-2021: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #23-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #24-2021: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #24-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

## RESOLUTION #25-2021: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #25-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #26-2021: RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE GREEN TEAM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #26-2021: Councilwoman Janjua, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #27-2021: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #27-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #28-2021: RESOLUTION APPOINTING FUND COMMISSIONER AND ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER TO THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #28-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #29-2021: APPOINTMENT OF A SAFETY COORDINATOR FOR 2021 FOR THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #29-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #30-2021: APPOINTMENT OF A CLAIMS COORDINATOR FOR 2021 FOR THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #30-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

# RESOLUTION #31-2021: DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL AND ADDITIONAL NEWSPAPERS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #31-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #32-2021: ESTABLISHING THE REGULAR AND WORK SESSION MEETING DATES OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #32-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #33-2021: INVESTMENT OF FUNDS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #33-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 4 yes votes; Councilman Moustakas abstained.

#### RESOLUTION #34-2021: DEPOSITORIES OF FUNDS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #34-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 4 yes votes; Councilman Moustakas abstained.

RESOLUTION #35-2021: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT
LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING
AN ANNUAL CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #35-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #36-2021: AUTHORIZING THE TAX ASSESSOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL TO FILE APPEALS, OMITTED AND ADDED ASSESSMENT APPEALS, AND ROLLBACK COMPLAINTS WITH THE BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #36-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #37-2021: 2020 TAX REFUNDS AND/OR APPLICATION OF CREDITS FOR DUPLICATE PAYMENTS AND 2021 TAX REFUNDS WITH INTEREST FOR CREDITS RESULTING FROM COUNTY TAX BOARD JUDGMENTS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #37-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

## RESOLUTION #38-2021: RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT TAXES OF ASSESSMENTS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #38-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### RESOLUTION #39-2021: TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2021

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #39-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Janjua Roll Call 5 yes votes

#### APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,672,804.65

Motion to Move: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Cohen Roll Call 5 yes votes

The Township Manager read her appointments.

Municipal Manager Appointments:
Township Engineer – Alaimo Group
Special Engineer – T & M Associates
Treasurer – Tara Krueger
Clean Communities Coordinator – Maureen Drinkard
Recycling Coordinator – Maureen Drinkard

Affirmative Action Officer – Ashlee Earley Public Agency Compliance Officer – Ashlee Earley

Motion to Approve Manager Appointments: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilwoman Cohen Roll Call 5 yes votes

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL:

Manager Tomczyk – Congratulations. Looking forward to working with everyone. Enjoy your night.

Attorney George Morris – Thanked Council for reappointment.

Councilwoman Cohen – Thanked everyone. Active member of community for 25 years.

Councilwoman Janjua – Honor to be here to serve town. Open government. Thanked everyone.

Councilman Moustakas – Thanked everyone for coming and listening. Proud to call Mt. Laurel home.

Deputy Mayor Pritchett – Thanked everyone for coming out. Proud of newly elected Council.

Mayor Steglik – Thanked everyone. Congratulations to new Council members. Will work hard for all of Mt. Laurel.

Motion to Adjourn: Councilman Moustakas, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Mayor Pritchett All in favor

Respectfully Submitted,

Meredith Tomczyk, RMC

Township Clerk