MINUTES OF THE REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL, HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX MEETING ROOM, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2004

In accordance with the Statutes, the Township Committee met in the Municipal Complex Meeting Room on January 7, 2004. Present were Committeeman Robert D. Peters, Committeeman Edward H. Thomson, Committeewoman Mary L. Burne, Committeeman Mark J. Brosnan, John Tobia, Township Administrator Joseph L. Verruni, Township Attorney Roger J. McLaughlin and Township Clerk Lorraine Kubacz.

The reorganization meeting for 2004 was called to order by Township Clerk Lorraine Kubacz. Reverend Brian Butch, Holy Innocents Church opened the meeting with an Invocation.

Township Clerk Kubacz led the Salute to the Flag.

Township Clerk Kubacz read the Sunshine Statement.

Township Clerk Kubacz read the following official results of the General Election held on November 4, 2003, in which one Committeeman was elected for a full term as attested by Monmouth County Clerk M. Claire French, Special Deputy Clerk Bertha C. Sumick and the Board of Canvassers.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE (FULL TERM)	TOTAL VOTE CAST
John W. Tobia (R)	3,427
John P. Devlin (D)	3,021

The Board determined that John W. Tobia was duly elected to the Township Committee for a full term.

Honorable Alexander D. Lehrer, J.S.C., administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected official John W. Tobia. Judge Lehrer congratulated Mr. Tobia.

Committeewoman Burne stated that she knew that the past year would be very challenging, but great progress has been made. Mrs. Burne stated that several projects were accomplished during the past year including LOSAP, the West Belmar Gateway Redevelopment Plan which will bring much needed improvements to this area and a one million dollar grant from the State to build a new bike path along the Route 8 right-of-way. Mrs. Burne thanked her colleagues on the

Township Committee and welcomed John Tobia. Mrs. Burne stated that she is looking forward to more open space and a Wreck Pond Nature Park.

Committeewoman Burne stated that none of this would be possible without the help of the Township employees, Township Administrator and the Township Professionals. Mrs. Burne thanked the residents of Wall Township who give up their time to serve on the Boards and Committees and added that they help make Wall Township a better place. Mrs. Burne especially thanked her family, her husband Marty, her daughter Mary and Son-in-law Doug and her two grandchildren, Martin and Anna, stating that without their support, understanding and encouragement it would not be possible to devote the time and energy to the Township Committee.

Committeeman Thomson offered Resolution No. 04-101 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL ELECTING THE MAYOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL." Committeewoman Burne seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Township Clerk declared the Resolution adopted and turned the gavel over to the newly elected Mayor, Robert D. Peters.

Judge Evan Broadbelt administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Robert D. Peters.

Committeewoman Burne offered Resolution No. 04-102 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL ELECTING THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL." Mayor Burne seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

Judge Evan Broadbelt administered the Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Edward H. Thomson, III.

Mayor Peters presented a gift to Mrs. Burne as a token of the Committee's esteem and gratitude for the service she performed as Mayor. Mayor Peters extended his warmest wishes to her and her family and thanked Mrs. Burne for all of her dedicated service. Mrs. Burne stated that it is an honor and privilege to be an elected official and to represent the people of Wall Township.

Mayor Peters recognized several dignitaries in the audience including Assemblyman Sean Kean, Freeholder Ted Narozanik, Father Brian Butch, Tom Powers, County Clerk Claire French, former Mayors Bob McKenna, Don Corson and Art Krumm. Mayor Peters also recognized Chief Roy Hall, Ken Critchlow from Public Works, Court Administrator Gail Connors, Tax Assessor Denise Siegel, Personnel Director Kathy Schuster, Matt Zahorsky, John Hoffmann, Betty Wallace, Betty Ryan, Jack Miller and Greg Kirk. Mayor Peters also thanked Judge Lehrer and Judge Evan Broadbelt.

Mayor Peters introduced his family, his wife of thirty-six years Margo, daughter Shelby and son BJ.

Mayor Peters stated that the coming year will include work on the airport, the Gateway project, the addition to the Police building and the Open Space Program. Mayor Peters stated that the junkyard property is being evaluated for possible condemnation so the project can proceed. As Mayor, Mr. Peters stated that he will do what he can to develop the lowest tax rate while maintaining the best level of services.

Consent Agenda:

With reference to Items 10 A - N, it was announced that all matters will be adopted or approved collectively by a single motion and roll-call vote by a majority of the Township Committee. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on any item, it will be considered separately. Mayor Burne asked if any member of the Township Committee wished to consider any item separately. There being no comments, a motion was made by Deputy Mayor Thomson, seconded by Committeeman Brosnan to adopt the following Resolutions and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the following Resolutions adopted:

#04-103 - Resolution - Re: Creating Certain Committees of the Township of Wall

#04-104 - Resolution - Re: Appointing Township Attorney, Auditor, Engineer, Prosecutor, Alternate Prosecutors, Bond Counsel, Public Defender, Township Environmental Consultant and Township Consulting Planner

#04-105 - Resolution - Re: Appointing a Community Development Representative and a Community Development Representative Alternate

#04-106 - Resolution - Re: Appointing Certain Officials and Employees

#04-107 - Resolution - Re: Designating Official Newspapers

#04-108 - Resolution - Re: Fixing Time and Place of Township Committee Meetings

#04-109 - Resolution - Re: Naming Official Depositories for the Township of Wall for the Year 2004

#04-110 - Resolution – Re: Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Fix the Interest Rate on Delinquent Taxes

#04-111 - Resolution - Re: Confirming Appointments in the Fire Companies - South Wall Fire Company No. 1

#04-112 - Resolution - Re: Confirming Appointments in the Fire Companies - Glendola Fire Company No. 1

#04-113 - Resolution - Re: Confirming Appointments in the Fire Companies - West Belmar Fire Company No. 1

#04-114 - Resolution - Re: Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer

#04-115 - Resolution – Re: Seeking Temporary Immunity and Extension of Judgment of Repose

#04-116 - Resolution – Re: Adopting Temporary Appropriations

End of Consent Agenda

Committeewoman Burne offered Resolution No. 04-117 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, “A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING BOARD”. Committeeman Brosnan seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were appointed and sworn in by Judge Evan Broadbelt:

Timothy Farrell
Todd Luttman
James Kiley
Captain Dave Morris
Deputy Mayor Edward H. Thomson
Committeeman John W. Tobia
Robin Stacy, Alternate No. 1
Paul Mueller, Alternate No. 2

Committeeman Tobia offered Resolution #04-118 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT." Deputy Mayor Thomson seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were sworn in by Judge Broadbelt:

Wayne Palmer
Bob Kerr, Alternate No. 1
Ray Slocum, Alternate No. 2

Committeeman Tobia offered Resolution #04-119 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE." Deputy Mayor Thomson seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were sworn in by Judge Broadbelt:

Bud Doyle
Tricia McCafferty
Loren Dedrickson
Committeewoman Mary L. Burne, Liaison Township Committee

Deputy Mayor Thomson offered Resolution #04-120 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS/COMMUNITY ALLIANCE COMMITTEE." Committeeman Tobia seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were sworn in by Judge Broadbelt:

Jo Schloeder
Marie O'Connell
Nancy Daum
Ann Marie Conte
Michael Manson
Bill Schroeter, Mayor's Representative
Committeeman Mark Brosnan, Liaison to Township Committee

Committeeman Brosnan offered Resolution #04-121 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE." Committeewoman Burne seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were sworn in by Judge Broadbelt:

Janice Feeney
Lou Maschi
Roger McLaughlin
Kevin Orender
Dan Pinero
Dan Manson, Wall Soccer Club
Tom Mullooly, North Wall Little League
Ken Taylor, South Wall Little League
Dean Marabeti, Wall Pop Warner
Robert D. Peters, Liaison Township Committee

Committeewoman Burne offered Resolution #04-122 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE MOBILE HOME RENT STABILIZATION AND CONTROL BOARD." Committeeman Brosnan seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were sworn in by Judge Broadbelt:

Andy Chapman
Lorraine Chapman
William Myrtetus, Alternate No. 1

Deputy Mayor Thomson offered Resolution #04-123 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE BOARD." Committeewoman Burne seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were sworn in by Judge Broadbelt:

Janet Sciarappo
Robert D. Peters, Mayor

Committeeman Tobia offered Resolution #04-124 and moved it be adopted. Mrs. Kubacz read the Resolution entitled, “A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD.” Committeeman Brosnan seconded the Resolution and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Tobia	Yea
Brosnan	Yea
Burne	Yea
Thomson	Yea
Peters	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted.

The following members were sworn in by Judge Broadbelt:

Joseph Roma
Gerri O'Connor
Mary L. Burne, Liaison to Township Committee
Clifford Gibson, Honorary Member

Mayor Peters recognized Bryan Dempsey who was the Township Assistant Administrator. Mr. Dempsey left the Township employ to become Administrator in Barnegat Township. Mr. Peters thanked Bryan for his dedicated service to Wall Township and stated that no one in town has a bad thing to say about Mr. Dempsey and wished him the best of luck in his new position.

Mayor Peters congratulated all the appointees and thanked them for their time and dedication. Mayor Peters asked if there were any comments from the Township Committee.

Committeeman Tobia thanked everyone for attending and introduced his wife Laurie, his parents and family and thanked them all for their support. Mr. Tobia thanked his staff at Atlantic Farms and the people of Wall Township for their support. Committeeman Tobia stated some of the things he would like to accomplish during his term including opening up communication through all levels of the Township. Mr. Tobia looked forward to working with the Police Department and Public Works and stated that the main focal points of his campaign were the purchase of open space and environmental issues. Mr. Tobia will also work on the Recreation Master Plan, not just for the sports programs, but also passive recreation for the residents. Committeeman Tobia thanked Judge Lehrer for his kind words.

Mayor Peters recognized former Mayor Mike Fitzgerald and Bob Gerard.

Deputy Mayor Thomson thanked everyone for attending especially his wife and family. Mr. Thomson stated that he would be working on the airport and announced that Ed Brown has allowed the County to go onto Phase 2 of the environmental study.

Committeeman Brosnan thanked his wife Daryl for attending and stated that his daughters were not able to

attend, but thanked them for their support. Mr. Brosnan wished Mr. Tobia the best of luck and stated that his project for the year would be the addition to the Police Building. This is a vital project to maintain our quality of life because of the growth of the police force. The primary concern is the safety of the officers and civilian employees and the public. The renovation will provide a safer environment to make Wall a safer place to live. This is the most feasible time to move ahead with this project and we look forward to going out to bid early in the year.

Mayor Peters gave a special thanks to the Township Committee and stated that he is always available to everyone. Mayor Peters invited everyone to a reception at the Blue Peach Café.

Deputy Mayor Thomson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Committeeman Brosnan. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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CLERK **MAYOR**