

**BOROUGH OF PALMYRA**  
**REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 PM**

The Annual Reorganization Meeting of Borough Council of the Borough of Palmyra was called to order by Mayor Michele Arnold at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence

Mayor Arnold then read the following open public meetings statement into the record.  
Public Notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act has been given by the Municipal Clerk in the following manner:

- A. Posting written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Palmyra Borough Hall on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- B. Mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times, Courier Post newspaper on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- C. Notice to all Council Members.

The invocation was given by Palmyra Police Chaplin Charles Soper.  
New Council Members where then sworn in

**Timothy Howard was sworn in as Councilmember of the Borough of Palmyra** for a 3 year term by Assemblyman, Ted Rosenberg and was accompanied by his son Tyrik Howard.

**Michelle McCann was sworn in as Councilmember of the Borough of Palmyra** for a 3 year term by Ted Rosenberg, Esq. accompanied by her husband Steven McCann and Coady and Connor McCann her sons.

**The new Council was then convened with a roll call.**

**PRESENT:** Brandon Allmond, Timothy Howard, Michelle McCann, Bernadette Russell, Gina Tait, Mindie Weiner, Mayor Michelle Arnold

**ABSENT:** none

**Mayor Arnold opened the floor for nominations for Council President.**

Mrs. Tait nominated Timothy Howard for Council President. Mrs. Russell seconded the nomination.

Hearing no more nominations, Mayor Arnold asked for a motion to close the nominations. Mrs. Tait made a motion to close the council president nominations, Mrs. Russell second the motion.

**Mayor Arnold then asked for a vote to approve Timothy Howard as Council President.**

At the call of the roll the vote was:

**AYES. Mr. Allmond, Mr. Howard, Mrs. McCann, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Tait, Ms. Weiner**

**NAYES. none**

Congratulations to Mr. Howard our new Council President.

**Mr. Howard was sworn in as Council President of the Borough of Palmyra** by Ted Rosenberg and accompanied by his son Malik Howard.

Mayor Arnold then introduced Kaya Robinson and Patrick Tait the 2019 Palmyra High School Representatives to Borough Council, and welcomed them.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DIGNITARIES**

Mayor Arnold acknowledged special guests in the audience, Burlington County Freeholder Balvir Singh; Chief of Police, Scott Pearlman; Chief of the Fire Department, Rick Dreby; Palmyra School Board President, Mark Russell; Palmyra Police Chaplin, Charles Soper; Palmyra Condo Association Board member, Kathleen Rix and Delran Councilman, Dan O'Connell.

Mayor Arnold also acknowledged the professionals in attendance, Robert Nehila, Jr. Bowman & Company; Andrew Brewer, Maraziti Falcon, LLP; James Winckowski, Consulting & Municipal Engineers; Dave Gerken, Community Grant Planning and Housing; William Kirchner, Environmental Resolutions Inc.; John Hogue, Environmental Resources Management; Chris Fifis, Hardenberg Insurance Group and Mr. Ted Rosenberg, Esquire.

#### **STATE OF THE BOROUGH ADDRESS –Mayor Michelle Arnold**

Mayor Arnold thanked everyone for coming out and indicated she was going to go over some of the highlights of 2018. Mayor Arnold indicated the finance department of the Borough of Palmyra is exceptional. Mayor Arnold stated we are in good financial condition, our fiscal responsibilities are met, our reserves and debt are very good and our bond rating is excellent.

Mayor Arnold indicated some of the changes we made this year are our housing inspections have now moved in-house and we are no longer hiring an outside firm. Mayor Arnold indicated our pension costs are stable and we have a 30% reduction in retiree health benefits which will be saving us about \$125,000.00 a year. Mayor Arnold stated we have extended the open hours at public works during the summer allowing more time for residents to drop off various items. Mayor Arnold stated we have also begun textile recycling; various items can be dropped off at public works and everything is either reused or recycled additionally the company providing the recycle bin is paying the Borough for its placement at public works. Mayor Arnold stated we have also purchased some new equipment at public works namely a "hot box" which we use for pothole and minor road repairs. Mayor indicated this piece of equipment will save us thousands of dollars, allowing us to do road repairs in house instead of having to contract that work out at a much higher cost. Mayor Arnold stated the Borough now

has an employee who focuses on the vacant /abandon properties of the Borough. Mayor noted the vacant property list has gone from 142 properties to 62. Mayor Arnold noted we successfully arranged for the demolition of the problem property on Pennsylvania Avenue and are current working on another property on Arch Street hopefully leaving room for new construction. Mayor Arnold stated we welcomed six new businesses in town last year and we promote them on our website and social media. Mayor Arnold noted the public events committee has been keeping with traditions of community hosting our Easter Egg Hunt, Town Wide Yard Sale and the Tree Lighting and Santa Visit. Mayor Arnold stated the outdoor dining and seating ordinance was passed allowing business the opportunity to provide outdoor dining for their customers. Mayor Arnold stated the Borough newsletter is being produced on a quarterly basis electronically; it provides information regarding things that are going on in the community.

Mayor Arnold stated the Borough has applied for many grants and recently learned we will be receiving a \$250,000.00 grant for the reconstruction of Temple Blvd. Mayor Arnold noted our 2018 road project included eight roads in the Borough and is the single most aggressive road project the Borough has undertaken to date. Mayor Arnold indicated we have been designated as an opportunity zone, by the State of New Jersey, which gives us the opportunity to encourage businesses to open shop in Palmyra in that designated area. Mayor Arnold noted the NJ State Attorney General's office is also moving forward with the prosecution of the responsible parties for the contamination of the Fillit property. Mayor Arnold stated we have also signed a contract with the redeveloper for the redevelopment property on Highland Avenue; the old PNC building and are looking forward to the redevelopment of that property. Mayor Arnold stated we have also purchased a new ladder fire truck which was put into service this past Sunday. Mayor noted the fire department will also be participating in the smoke detector giveaway. Mayor Arnold noted the police department is updating their computers and our SRO Officer Kendall is doing a great job in the schools. Mayor Arnold noted the police department has sponsored community events such as "Coffee with a Cop" and "National Night Out". Mayor Arnold stated over 100 cameras have been installed in the Borough, which the police are constantly monitoring in an effort to keep us safe.

Mayor Arnold stated many properties have experienced flooding in our community this year. The Borough will be purchasing portable pumps for residents to borrow to help with the removal of water from basements etc. FEMA will be doing an onsite visit in June or July of this year relooking at the flood map of 2017. Mayor Arnold stated the Master Plan review was completed, as required, last year. Mayor noted we have included an Art District which allows us to apply for additional grant funding. Mayor Arnold stated we have almost completed the improvements to Grove Park and expect that project to be completed shortly. The KIA Flag ceremony was held and the flag is currently flying outside. Mayor Arnold also noted we held the Veterans Medal Ceremony in November.

Mayor Arnold stated other things we will be working on include the sign ordinance; updates to the War Memorial, monthly meetings with the Mayor, Mayor's wellness activities, forming a Mayor's advisory team to shares ideas with the Mayor to bring forward to council, completing the second phase to the mural at Tony's Barber shop. Mayor Arnold stated we would be holding a public forum regarding cannabis its medical use and possible adult recreational use. Mayor Arnold noted on the agenda this year you will see public reminders which will be things going on in the Borough which we sometimes need to be reminded of.

Some new things Mayor Arnold indicated she would like to see include a business locator kiosk at the corner of Cinnaminson Avenue and Broad Street. She stated she would like to see the promenade included in the Art Walk.

Mayor Arnold gave her heartfelt thanks to the Borough staff, the dedicated first responders, the fire fighters, the ambulance squad and the CERT Team, who are all volunteers, she thanked them for all they do to keep us safe. Mayor Arnold also thanked the residents for coming out to meetings, making phone calls and sharing ideas for making Palmyra, strong and inclusive.

Mayor Arnold stated she looked forward to working together with Borough Council towards another productive year of growth, opportunities, implementing new ideas, expanding and exploring new ventures for the benefit of all of Palmyra.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayor Arnold acknowledged a letter received from Addison Hinrichs of the Senate Majority Office of the New Jersey Senate.

Mayor Arnold also acknowledged a letter received from Resident, Dawn Centinaro.

Mayor Arnold then asked for a motion to open the 1<sup>st</sup> Public Portion. President Howard made a motion to open the public portion for comments. Mrs. Russell second the motion

**All members present voted in favor of the motion**

**Mr. Rader – Harbour Drive**– Mr. Rader questioned why resolution 2019-14 was on the agenda. Mr. Rader stated funds were approved in the amount of \$3,000.00 thru resolution 2018-213 for a contract with Mr. Daniel Rosenberg from June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 thru December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Mr. Rader stated that contract was approved for a special reason, which council has not explained how the money was spent or why the attorney's services were not used. Mr. Rader asked why council is approving the same contract neglected for 202 days. Mr. Rader asked how much of the three thousand dollars was actually spent. Mr. Rader asked why does a political agenda of the majority of council need to be funded by tax payer money after being ignored for 202 days. Mayor Arnold stated because that position was put into place last year that essentially forms that position and it needed to be advertised with our request for proposals. Mayor Arnold noted Mr. Danial Rosenberg was the only professional which replied in the category. Mayor Arnold

stated if any funds were to be expended a secondary action would be necessary. Mr. Gural stated the original contract was awarded, where the RFP's were solicited for 2019 that contract was included, Mr. Daniel Rosenberg responded and Borough Council is awarding the contract tonight. Because the contract is awarded does not mean we are expending any funds. Any funded expended would have to come back to the governing body for approval. Mr. Gural noted the previous contract was not neglected; the governing body has no knowledge of the status of that investigation, only that it is ongoing. Mr. Rader asked if any correspondence between the attorney and council be available to the public. Mr. Gural indicated it maybe at some time in the future. Mr. Rader asked if anything was available now for public review. Mr. Gural indicated he would have to confer with our solicitor, Mr. Ted Rosenberg to answer that question.

**Mr. Russell – Parry Avenue** – Mr. Russell congratulated Council on their reorganization and Mr. Howard on his appointment as President of Borough Council. Mr. Russell reminded all that the Board of Education will be holding its business meeting on Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Mr. Russell also thanked Ms. Robinson and Mr. Tait for volunteering to serve as student representatives from the Palmyra High School.

No one else from the public wishing to be heard, Mrs. Russell made a motion to close the public portion, Mrs. Tait seconded the motion.

**All members present voted in favor of the motion.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Council Committees Appointments**
- B. Mayor's Annual Appointments**
- C. Annual Citizen Appointments**
- D. Notice of Annual Borough Council Caucus Meeting and Regular Meeting Dates**

President Howard stated he had a list of the Council Committee appointments as council wished to serve. President Howard then handed out a list of the proposed Council Committee Appointments for approval. President Howard explained that council had decided which committees and who would be serving on those various committees. Mayor Arnold asked Ms. Jackson if she had a copy and she indicated yes. Ms. Jackson asked if we could go over who the chair of which committee was. President Howard indicated the chairpersons would be decided when the committees held their meetings and that information would be disseminated after that time. Ms. Russell asked Mayor Arnold if she could continue as the Shade Tree liaison, as that was a mayor appointment. Mayor Arnold indicated yes. Mayor Arnold stated she had reached out to everyone on Council to see what committees they would be interested in serving on. Mayor Arnold noted this is the first time she is seeing this list and indicated it should be noted that the Mayor is excluded from all committees. The list submitted read as follows for Council Committee appointments:

**Brandon Allmond**– Youth & Recreation; Public Works & Sewer, Public Buildings & Grounds; Construction, Housing & Code Enforcement; Communications & Public Relations; Redevelopment and Negotiation; Board of Education Liaison

**Timothy Howard** – Public Works & Sewer; Youth & Recreation; Public Buildings, Parks & Grounds; Redevelopment & Negotiations; Public Safety & Municipal Court; Construction, Housing & Code Enforcement

**Michelle McCann**– Administration and Finance; Communication & Public Relations; Business Community and Development; Green Team; Redevelopment & Negotiation

**Bernadette Russell**– Administration & Finance; Construction, Housing & Code Enforcement; Business Community & Development, Green Team; Shade Tree Advisory Board Liaison; Palmyra Condo Homeowners Association Liaison Green Team

**Gina Tait** – Public Safety and Municipal Court; Public Works & Sewer; Youth & Recreation; Public Buildings Parks & Grounds; Redevelopment & Negotiations, Public Events; Board of Education Liaison

**Mindie Weiner** – Administration & Finance; Business Community and Development; Green Team; Communications & Public Relations; Public Events; Riverfront Homeowners Association Liaison

President Howard noted each committee chairperson will be selected by each various committee once they meet.

Mayor Arnold then read the following:

**Mayor’s Annual appointments**

|   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| Borough Administrator                               | John Gural                |
| Board of Health Secretary /Deputy Clerk             | Marie Nagle               |
| Tax Search Officer/Deputy Administrator             | Tanyika Johns             |
| Municipal Lien Search Officer/ Fair Housing Officer | Doretha Jackson           |
| Community Center Exercise Facility Director         | Tracy Kilmer              |
| Police Records Clerk                                | Renay Montgomery          |
| SLEO II Officer/Court Officer                       | John Quigg and Allen Berg |
| Crossing Guards                                     | All names on resolution   |
| Storm Water Coordinator                             | John Gural                |
| Tree Officer  | Jon Petite                |

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| Clean Communities Coordinator          | Mark Allen              |
| Recycling Coordinator                  | Earnest McGill          |
| Police Matron                          | Geraldine Bright        |
| Emergency Management Coordinator       | Richard K. Dreby        |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Deputy Emergency Mgmt. | Tracy Kilmer            |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Deputy Emergency Mgmt. | John Skowronski         |
| CERT Team                              | all names on resolution |
| Fire Chief                             | Richard Dreby           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion Chief        | Allan Zimmerman         |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Battalion Chief        | Michael Stokes          |
| Fire Police/Fire Department Captain    | William Quigg           |
| Fire Police/Fire Department Lieutenant | James Teesdale          |
| Fire Police                            | Teresa Bankowski        |

Mayor Arnold then read the following Annual Citizen Appointments;

**LAND USE BOARD**

|                                |         |          |          |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| _____, Council Rep.            | 1 year  | 01/01/19 | 12/31/19 |
| John Gural, Borough Official   | 1 year  | 01/01/19 | 12/31/19 |
| Bryan Norcross                 | 4 year  | 01/01/19 | 12/31/22 |
| Brian O’Kane                   | 4 year  | 01/01/19 | 12/31/22 |
| Theodore Scott                 | 4 year  | 01/07/17 | 12/31/20 |
| Lewis Yetter      Alternate #1 | 2 years | 01/01/17 | 12/31/19 |

**SHADE TREE ADVISORY BOARD**

|                                  |        |          |          |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|
| Jon Petite (tree officer)        | 1 year | 01/01/19 | 12/31/19 |
| Bernadette Russell - Council Rep | 1 year | 01/01/19 | 12/31/19 |
| Andrew Lehrian                   | 1 year | 01/01/19 | 12/31/19 |
| Tim Kaluhiokalani                | 1 year | 01/01/19 | 12/31/19 |
| Emma Melvin                      | 1 year | 01/01/19 | 12/31/19 |

Mayor Arnold then read the following **Notice of Borough Council’s meeting dates for 2019.**

All such meetings to be held on the first Monday (**Caucus Meeting**) and third Monday (**Regular Meeting**) of each month, unless otherwise noted due to a holiday. Meetings shall be held at 7:00 P.M., unless indicated with \*\*, in which case those meetings shall begin at 6:00 P.M. All meetings will be held in Borough Hall at 20 West Broad Street, Palmyra, New Jersey 08065. Any and all business involving the Borough may be discussed. Formal official action may be taken at such meetings.

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 (Tues)  
February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (Tues)  
March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019  
April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 ••  
June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019

July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019  
November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019••  
November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019  
December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019

At that time, the governing body may adopt a resolution to retire into closed session for the purpose of discussing qualified exemptions from the Open Public Meetings Act. The Borough Council, immediately following closed session will resume with the general business of the meeting and formal action may then be taken. The public is welcomed to attend and speak at any meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Palmyra, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey.

#### **NOTICE OF SPECIAL REDEVELOPMENT MEETINGS**

Please be advised that the Borough Council of the Borough of Palmyra will hold Special Redevelopment Meetings at 6:30 PM in the Borough Hall, 20 West Broad Street, Palmyra, New Jersey on the following dates:

February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019  
May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Mayor Arnold indicated Resolution 2019-01 to Resolution 2019-74 will be enacted as a single motion, if any resolution needs additional discussion it will be removed from the consent agenda and voted on separately. Mayor asked if any resolutions needed to be removed from the consent agenda. Hearing none, Mayor Arnold proceeded with reading the resolutions.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

Consent Agenda- Resolution 2019-1 to Resolution 2019-74

1. Resolution 2019-01, Resolution to Confirm Council Committee Appointments



2. Resolution 2019-02, Resolution to Confirm Mayor's Annual Appointments
3. Resolution 2019-03, Resolution to Confirm Mayor's Annual Citizen Appointments
4. Resolution 2019-04, Resolution Approving the Borough of Palmyra Official Caucus and Regular Monthly Public Meeting Dates for the Borough Council for 2019
5. Resolution 2019-05, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Ted Rosenberg, Esq., as Municipal Solicitor.
6. Resolution 2019-06, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Thomas Hastie, Esq. of Capehart & Scatchard as Special Counsel/Bond Attorney.
7. Resolution 2019-07, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Armando Riccio, Esq. as Special Counsel/Labor Attorney.
8. Resolution 2019-08, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of William Burns, Esq. and Kelly Grant of Capehart & Scatchard and Eric M Bernstein of Eric M Bernstein & Associates, LLC as Special Counsel/Conflict Attorneys.
9. Resolution 2019-09, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Andrew Brewer, Esq. of Maraziti Falcon, LLP as Special Counsel/Municipal Redevelopment Attorney.
10. Resolution 2019-10, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Robert P. Nehila Jr., of Bowman & Company LLP, as Municipal Auditor
11. Resolution 2019-11, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of William Kirchner of Environmental Resolutions Inc., (ERI) as Municipal Engineer
12. Resolution 2019-12, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of William Kirchner of Environmental Resolutions Inc., (ERI) as Municipal Sewer Engineer
13. Resolution 2019-13, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of John Hogue & Valdimir Raskin of Environmental Resources Management (ERM), as Municipal Environmental Engineer/Consultant and LSRP.
14. Resolution 2019-14, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Daniel M Rosenberg of Daniel M Rosenberg & Associates, LLC as Special Counsel/Ethics Attorney
15. Resolution 2019-15, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Gregory R. Valesi and James Winckowski of Consulting & Municipal Engineers (CME) as Special Projects Engineer
16. Resolution 2019-16, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of David Gerkens of Community Grants, Planning and Housing, (CGP&H) as Municipal Planner/Grants Coordinator.
17. Resolution 2019-17, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Community Grants, Planning and Housing, (CGP&H) as Municipal Affordable Housing/RCA Administrator.
18. Resolution 2019-18, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of James D. Fattorini, Esq., as Municipal Public Defender.
19. Resolution 2019-19, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment Stephen J Wenger, Esq. As Municipal Prosecutor.
20. Resolution 2019-20, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of any/all other Municipal Prosecutors In Burlington County, as Substitute Prosecutor

21. Resolution 2019-21, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Christopher Fifis of Hardenbergh Insurance Group as Insurance Consultant/ JIF Risk Management Consultant and Authorizing JIF Risk Management Consultant Agreement
22. Resolution 2019-22, Resolution Authorizing The Mayor to Execute Contracts with All Appointed Professionals After Review and Approval by the Solicitor and the Chief Financial Officer.
23. Resolution 2019-23 Resolution Appointing John Gural as Administrator for The Borough Of Palmyra
24. Resolution 2019-24, Resolution Appointing John Gural as Burlington County JIF Fund Commissioner.
25. Resolution 2019-25, Resolution Appointing John Gural as Burlington County JIF Claims Coordinator
26. Resolution 2019-26, Resolution Appointing John Gural as Hearing Officer For Non-Uniformed Employees
27. Resolution 2019-27, Resolution Appointing John Gural as Storm Water Coordinator for the Borough of Palmyra.
28. Resolution 2019-28, Resolution Appointing Scott Pearlman as Burlington County JIF Alternate Fund Commissioner.
29. Resolution 2019-29, Resolution Appointing Robert Verry as Hearing Officer for Uniformed Employees
30. Resolution 2019-30, Resolution Appointing Tracy Kilmer as Burlington County JIF Safety Coordinator.
31. Resolution 2019-31, Resolution Appointing Tracy Kilmer as Housing Official and Housing Inspector for The Borough Of Palmyra
32. Resolution 2019-32, Resolution Appointing Tracy Kilmer as Zoning Officer for the Borough of Palmyra.
33. Resolution 2019-33, Resolution Appointing Donna Condo as Public Agency Compliance Officer For the Borough of Palmyra
34. Resolution 2019-34, Resolution Appointing Tanyika Johns as Deputy Administrator for the Borough Of Palmyra
35. Resolution 2019-35, Resolution Appointing Tanyika Johns as Alternate Registrar for the Borough of Palmyra
36. Resolution 2019-36, Resolution Appointing Doretha R. Jackson As Fair Housing Officer For The Borough of Palmyra
37. Resolution 2019-37, Resolution Appointing Doretha R. Jackson as Deputy Registrar for the Borough of Palmyra
38. Resolution 2019-38, Resolution Appointing Marie Nagle as Board of Health Coordinator for the Borough of Palmyra
39. Resolution 2019-39 Resolution Appointing Marie Nagle as Burlington County JIF Wellness Coordinator for the Borough of Palmyra

40. Resolution 2019-40, Resolution Appointing Ernest McGill as Recycling Coordinator for the Borough of Palmyra.
41. Resolution 2019-41, Resolution Appointing Mark Allen as Clean Communities Coordinator for the Borough of Palmyra.
42. Resolution 2019-42, Resolution Appointing Jon Pettite as Tree Officer for the Borough of Palmyra
43. Resolution 2019-43, Resolution Appointing the Crossing Guards for The Borough of Palmyra for 2019.
44. Resolution 2019-44, Resolution Appointing John Quigg as SLEO II Officer for the Borough of Palmyra Police Department.
45. Resolution 2019-45, Resolution Appointing Allen Berg as SLEO II Officer for the Borough of Palmyra Police Department at 2018 Hourly Rate of \$16.38.
46. Resolution 2019-46, Resolution Appointing Allen Berg as Full-Time Public Works Driver/Laborer at the hourly rate of \$17.50 retroactive to January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019; continued employment is subject to receiving a commercial driver's License by July 1st, 2019.
47. Resolution 2019-47, Resolution Appointing the Borough of Palmyra Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) Members
48. Resolution 2019-48, Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Richard K. Dreby as Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough of Palmyra
49. Resolution 2019-49, Resolution Appointing Philip Opalski as part-time Housing Inspector at not-to-exceed 16 hours per week and at the hourly rate \$33.00 retroactive to January 1, 2019, with continued employment as RCS Building Inspector included in his duties.
50. Resolution 2019-50 Resolution Appointing Dominic Petito as Plumbing Sub-Code Official and Plumbing Inspector at the combined Annual Salary of \$6,000.00 retroactive from January 1, 2019.
51. Resolution 2019-51, Resolution Appointing William Lunemann as Electrical Sub-Code Official, Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 thru December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019
52. Resolution 2019-52, Resolution Appointing Michael Lunemann as part-time Code Enforcement Officer
53. Resolution 2019-53, Resolution Appointing Michael Lunemann as part-time Abandoned Property List Public Official for the Borough of Palmyra
54. Resolution 2019-54, Resolution Appointing Charles Soper, Wesley Allen, Tristan Shin and Ella Graham as Chaplains for the Borough of Palmyra Police Department
55. Resolution 2019-55, Resolution Appointing Dale Palmer as part-time Supervisor for Public Buildings and Grounds Department
56. Resolution 2019-56, Resolution Appointing George Moore part-time to Public Buildings and Grounds Department
57. Resolution 2019-57, Resolution Appointing Michele Wright-Sykes as part-time Community Center Scheduling Coordinator For the Borough of Palmyra

58. Resolution 2019-58, Resolution Appointing Selina Korab and Christiana Quinton as part-time Community Center Scheduling Assistants for the Borough of Palmyra
59. Resolution 2019-59, Resolution Appointing Stacey Brugler as part-time Payroll Clerk and Finance Assistant
60. Resolution 2019-60, Resolution Appointing Linda Yansick as part-time Tax Clerk and Public Works/Sewer Administrative Assistant
61. Resolution 2019-61, Resolution Designating the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post as the Legal Newspapers and GovDeals.com as the Legal Auction Site for Vehicles and Property.
62. Resolution 2019-62, Resolution Authorizing the 2019 Temporary Budget Appropriations.
63. Resolution 2019-63, Resolution To Approve 2019 Temporary Debt Service for the Borough of Palmyra in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey
64. Resolution 2019-64, Resolution Approving a Cash Management Plan for The Borough Of Palmyra.
65. Resolution 2019-65, Resolution Fixing the Rate of Interest to Be Charged On Delinquent Taxes, Sewer Payments and Assessments
66. Resolution 2019-66, Resolution Authorizing The Tax Collector to Cancel Debits and Credits of \$10.00 or Less for Tax and Sewer Payments
67. Resolution 2019-67, Resolution Authorizing the Tax Assessor to file Rollbacks, Assessments, Added and Omitted Tax Appeals and Assessor's List of Corrections and Errors on behalf of the Borough of Palmyra
68. Resolution 2019-68, Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Shared Service Agreement with Willingboro Township for 2019 Animal Control Services in the amount of \$14,000.00.
69. Resolution 2019-69, Resolution Awarding 2019 Generator Preventative Maintenance Contract to Industrial Diesel Power, Inc. in the amount of \$9,370.00, subject to the solicitor's review and the Chief Financial Officer's certification
70. Resolution 2019-70, Resolution Awarding 2019 Maintenance Contract for Sewage Treatment Plant to Municipal Maintenance Company in the amount of \$225,602.00, subject to the Solicitor's review and Chief Financial Officer's certification
71. Resolution 2019-71, Resolution Awarding 2019 On-Call Contracting Services Contract to Neri's Construction & Rentals, Inc. in the amount of \$400,079.00 subject to the Solicitor's review and the Chief Financial Officer's certification
72. Resolution 2019-72, Resolution Awarding 2019 Sewer Treatment Plant and Pump Station Debris Removal Contract to FRANC Environmental in the amount of \$36,370.00 subject to the Solicitor's review and the Chief Financial Officer's certification
73. Resolution 2019-73, Resolution Awarding 2019-2020 Maintenance Contract to McCloskey Mechanical Contractors in the total amount of \$46,160.00 with Annual Amounts of \$22,820.00 for 2019 Contract Year and \$23,340.00 for 2020 Contract Year , subject to the Solicitor's review and Chief Financial Officer's certification

**74. Resolution 2019-74, Resolution Awarding 2019 OSHA Crane Inspection Contract to American Crane and Equipment Corporation in the Amount of \$1,556.00 subject to the Solicitor's review and the Chief Financial Officer's certification**

Mayor Arnold asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda Resolutions 2019-1 thru Resolution 2019-74. Mrs. Russell made a motion to approve Resolutions 2019-1 thru Resolution 2019-74. Mrs. Tait seconded the motion.

**At the call of the roll, the vote was:**

**AYES: Mr. Allmond, Mrs. McCann, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Tait, Ms. Weiner, President Howard**

**NAYES: None**

**Resolution 2019-1 thru Resolution 2019-74 were approved**

**COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT**

Mrs. Tait indicated we will be having our MKL Day of Service on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at the community center from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm., followed by "A call to Action from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Mrs. Tait indicated lunch will be served in the morning session.

**PUBLIC REMINDERS**

Mayor Arnold indicated public reminders would be done at the next meeting.

Mayor Arnold then asked for a motion to open the 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Portion. Mrs. Russell made a motion to open the public portion for comments. President Howard second the motion

**All members present voted in favor of the motion**

**Mrs. Rix – Harbour Drive** – Mrs. Rix asked Councilwoman Russell if it was a conflict of interest for her to be on Borough Council and her husband to be on the Board of Education. Mrs. Russell indicated Mr. Rosenberg could answer that question for her. Mr. Rosenberg indicated, it was not a conflict of interest because he did not think the Board of Education President or any other member of the Board of Education receives any remuneration, and the votes which are taken if any that pertain to the Board of Education, Mrs. Russell can recuse herself if the need arises. Mayor Arnold noted that Mrs. Russell is not the Borough Council liaison to the Board of Education.

**Ms. Park – Spring Garden Street**–Ms. Park inquired about the recent articular indicating the State Attorney General was going to bring to justice those who contaminated parcels on the Rt. 73 Southside which is in our Redevelopment area. Does this litigation have any impact as far as our ability to acquire the property? Mr. Rosenberg indicated there was nothing in the complaint that was filed by the Attorney General's office which would prohibited or inhibit the Borough from redeveloping or acquiring property in that area. Ms. Park asked if Spring Garden Street was on the list to be repaved. Mr. Gural indicated he was not aware of where Spring Garden

Street was on the Road Improvement project list for 2019. He noted the big project coming up in 2019 is Temple Blvd. Mr. Gural and Mrs. Tait indicated that public works had been out making some repairs on Spring Garden Street.

No one else from the public wishing to be heard, Mrs. Russell made a motion to close the public portion, President Howard seconded the motion.

**All members present voted in favor of the motion**

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY**

**Gina Tait** stated, for the MLK Day of Service at the Community Center we will need buckets, cleaning supplies, rags and gloves. Mrs. Tait also noted lunch would be provided. Mrs. Tait wished everyone a happy and safe New Year.

**Brandon Allmond indicated** no comment.

**Michelle McCann** stated she thanked everyone for helping her get acclimated.

**Mr. Howard** thanked everyone for coming out. President Howard welcomed Ms. McCann to council and indicated he is looking forward to another fiscally smart year. President Howard also noted a long time resident; Mr. Kim Washington passed away on Saturday and asked everyone to keep the family in prayer.

**Mindie Weiner** asked if anyone knew what happen to the turkey. Mr. Gural indicated the turkey has not been seen since Saturday and not quite sure where it went or what happened to it.

**Bernadette Russell** welcomed everyone back and indicated she is looking forward to a good year.

**Mayor Arnold** thanked everyone for coming out, and indicated the meetings are held twice a month and it would be good to see everyone back again. "Be kind to one another and be good neighbors".

Mayor Arnold inquired of Mr. Gural and Mr. Rosenberg if there was anything which needed to be discussed in closed session. Mr. Gural and Mr. Rosenberg stated no.

Mayor Arnold asked for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Russell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, President Howard seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor on the motion

**Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM**

Respectfully Submitted

Doretha R Jackson, RMC

Municipal Clerk