

**Borough of Pitman  
Reorganization Meeting  
January 2, 2021**

**Call to Order**

Time: 4:03 p.m.

**Open Public Meeting Act Statement:** Pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, I hereby announce that adequate notice of the time and date for this meeting was published in the South Jersey Times on December 9, 2020, posted in Borough Hall, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

**Welcome and Introduction of Honored Guests:** Mayor Michael L. Razze, Jr.

**Salute to the Flag:** Olivia Weng and Fiona James

**National Anthem:** Grace Mazzola and Megan Mazzola

**Invocation:** Rev. Randy Van Osten, First Baptist Church of Pitman

**Roll Call of the 2020 Governing Body of the Borough of Pitman**

Council President Blass: Present	Councilman Fitzpatrick: Present
Councilwoman James: Present	Councilman Mazzola: Present
Councilwoman Rudley: Present	Councilman Weng: Present
Mayor Razze: Present	

**Election Results & Oath of Office**

Councilman Matthew Weng

Oath administered by New Jersey State Senator Fred H. Madden, Jr., 4<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

**Election Results & Oath of Office**

Councilman Adam Mazzola

Oath administered by Vanessa James, Esq., Borough of Pitman Councilwoman

**Roll Call of the 2021 Governing Body of the Borough of Pitman**

Councilman Blass: Present	Councilman Fitzpatrick: Present
Councilwoman James: Present	Councilman Mazzola: Present
Councilwoman Rudley: Present	Councilman Weng: Present
Mayor Razze: Present	

**Nomination of Councilman Paul Blass as 2021 Council President for the Borough of Pitman**

Motion: Rudley

Second: James

**Resolution No. 1, 2021 – Appointing Paul Blass as Council President for the Borough of Pitman for the Year 2021**

Motion: Rudley

Second: James

Roll Call:

Councilman Blass: Abstain

Councilman Fitzpatrick: Yes

Councilwoman James: Yes

Councilman Mazzola: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes  
Mayor Razzo: \_\_\_\_\_

Councilman Weng: Yes

**Resolution No. 2, 2021 – Adopting a Temporary Budget for the Borough of Pitman for 2021 in the Amount of \$2,241,306.00**

Motion: Blass

Second: James

Roll Call:

Councilman Blass: Yes

Councilman Fitzpatrick: Yes

Councilwoman James: Yes

Councilman Mazzola: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Razzo: \_\_\_\_\_

**Resolution No. 3, 2021 – Authorizing Professional Services by a Borough Solicitor – Law Office of Timothy D. Scaffidi, Esquire**

Motion: James

Second: Weng

Roll Call:

Councilman Blass: Yes

Councilman Fitzpatrick: Yes

Councilwoman James: Yes

Councilman Mazzola: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Razzo: \_\_\_\_\_

**Voting Instructions for Council for Resolutions**

Resolutions have been grouped into blocks to be voted on with a single vote. Council Members should cast a yes vote if affirming all. If abstaining, or voting no to any resolutions, Council Members should state the Resolution number, and their vote when Roll Call is taken.

**Resolution No. 4, 2021 – Authorizing Professional Services by a Borough Auditor, Petroni & Associates, LLP; Nick L. Petroni, CPA, RMA**

**Resolution No. 5, 2021 – Authorizing Professional Services by a Borough Engineer- Federici & Akin, PA; Joseph P. Federici, Jr., PE, PP, CME**

**Resolution No. 6, 2021 – Authorizing Professional Services by a Special Legal Counsel – Bond Counsel- Parker, McCay, PA; Philip A. Norcross, Esquire**

**Resolution No. 7, 2021 - Authorizing Professional Services by a Special Legal Counsel – Bankruptcy Attorney; Law Office of Timothy D. Scaffidi, Esquire**

**Resolution No. 8, 2021 - Authorizing Professional Services by a Tax Map Maintenance Professional- Federici & Akin, PA**

**Resolution No. 9, 2021 - Establishing Regular Meetings of the Borough Council of the Borough of Pitman**

**Resolution No. 10, 2021– Establishing Official Newspapers of the Borough of Pitman – The South Jersey Times and the Sentinel of Gloucester County**

**Resolution No. 11, 2021 – Authorizing the Cash Management Plan Within the Borough of Pitman**

**Resolution No. 12, 2021– Establishing a Petty Cash Fund for the Borough of Pitman**

**Resolution No. 13, 2021 – Concerning Interest on Delinquent Taxes**

**Resolution No. 14, 2021 - Cancelling Tax Overpayments or Delinquent Amounts Less than \$10.00**

**Resolution No. 15, 2021 – Authorizing the Tax Collector and CFO to Conduct an Electronic Tax Lien Sale**

**Motion and Roll Call for Resolutions No. 4 – 15, 2021**

Motion: Blass

Second: Weng

Roll Call: Yes

Council President Blass:  X

Councilman Fitzpatrick:  X

Councilwoman James:  X

Councilman Mazzola:  X

Councilwoman Rudley:  X

Councilman Weng:  X

Mayor Razzo:  X

**Resolution No. 16, 2021 – Appointing Michael L. Razzo, Jr. as the Fund Commissioner for the Borough of Pitman to the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund**

Motion: Blass

Second: Weng

Roll Call:

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Fitzpatrick: Yes

Councilwoman James: Yes

Councilman Mazzola: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Razzo: \_\_\_\_\_

**Resolution No. 17, 2021 – Appointing Judith O’Donnell as Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Borough of Pitman to the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund**

**Resolution No. 18 2021 – Reappointing Special Law Enforcement Officer Class II for the Borough of Pitman Police Department – S/O Thomas McEvoy and S/O Sebastian Leon**

**Resolution No. 19, 2021 – Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer; Judith O’Donnell**

**Resolution No. 20, 2021 – Appointing a Zoning Officer for the Borough of Pitman: Roy Duffield**

**Resolution No. 21, 2021 – Authorizing Risk Management Consultant for the TRICO Joint Insurance Fund and for the Municipal Excess Liability JIF – Len Eckman, Inc.; Len Eckman**

**Resolution No. 22, 2021 – Authorizing Professional Services by a Planner; Maser Consulting, PA: J. Timothy Kernan**

**Resolution No. 23, 2021 – Authorizing Professional Services by a Redevelopment Counsel; Malamut & Associates, LLC: Adam S. Malamut**

**Motion and Roll Call for Resolutions No. 17 - 23, 2021**

Motion: Blass		Second: Mazzola			
Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>#</u>
Council President Blass:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilman Fitzpatrick:	<u>  X  </u>	X	23	_____	_____
Councilwoman James:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilman Mazzola:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilwoman Rudley:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilman Weng:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mayor Razze:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____

**Resolution No. 24, 2021 – Making Appointments to Specific Administrative Positions and Confirming Such Appointments for the Borough of Pitman**

**Resolution No. 25, 2021 – Confirming Mayoral Appointments**

**Resolution No. 26, 2021 – Confirming Mayoral Assignments for Council Members**

**Resolution No. 27, 2021 – Confirming Mayoral Assignments for Special Commissions and Committees**

**Motion and Roll Call for Resolutions No. 24 - 27, 2021**

Motion: Mazzola		Second: James			
Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>#</u>
Council President Blass:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	X	27
Councilman Fitzpatrick:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilwoman James:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilman Mazzola:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilwoman Rudley:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilman Weng:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mayor Razze:	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____	_____

**Loyalty Oath Administered to Newly Appointed Officials, Board, and Commission Members**

Borough Fire Chief Carl Ennis was sworn in by Mayor Razze

**Public Portion**

Motion to Open Meeting to the Public: Weng                      Second: Mazzola

Time: 4:30 p.m.

**Francisca Ruk, 125 First Avenue** – Ms. Ruk stated that the stormwater runoff from her neighbor’s property is causing erosion to her property and water seepage into the crawl space under her home. She would like to have an Inspector from the Borough come out and see it firsthand and talk to her neighbor about remediating the problem.

Councilman Fitzpatrick stated that he will ask the Construction Official to go to the property and have a look at the problem, and hopefully suggest a solution.

Motion to Close Public Portion: Weng                      Second: Mazzola

Time: 4:32 p.m.

**Benediction:** Pastor Drew Harrison, First Baptist Church of Pitman

In conclusion, Mayor Razze offered words of appreciation to Councilman Weng, Councilman Mazzola, and all Elected Officials who serve their communities.

**Adjournment**

Motion: Blass    Second: Weng

Time: 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith O’Donnell  
Borough Clerk/Administrator