

**BOROUGH OF SPOTSWOOD
77 Summerhill Road
Spotswood, New Jersey**

**Reorganization Meeting
January 4, 2017
7:00 PM**

The Clerk announced that this is the Reorganization Meeting for the Borough Council for the year 2017.

The Clerk welcomed the elected officials, family, friends and residents to the reorganization meeting. The clerk announced that this meeting for reorganization was for the certification of Mayor-At-Large, two (2) Councilman-At-Large seats and nomination of a Council President. The Clerk opened the meeting by reading the special reorganization meeting notice.

NOTICE

The notice requirements provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in the new schedule of meetings of the Spotswood Borough Council on December 30, 2016. The new schedule was transmitted to The Home News Tribune and Sentinel. It was filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Spotswood and posted in the Spotswood Municipal Building, 77 Summerhill Road, Spotswood, NJ.

ATTENDANCE

The Clerk called the roll:

Councilwoman Drozd	Present
Councilman Ricci	Present
Councilman Stollen	Present
Councilman Melillo	Present
Councilman Rivera	Present

Also present were Mayor Seely, Business Administrator McDonald, Borough Attorney Diegnan, and Bruce Koch, CME.

An invocation was done by Monsignor Joseph Curry and Reverend Schneider.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MOMENT OF SILENCE - Janine Balazs

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

I do hereby certify that a special election for the office of one (1) Councilman-At-Large was held on November 8, 2016 in the Borough of Spotswood, New Jersey. I do further certify that at the election, the voters in the poll books in the several election districts cast the following votes:

John F. Melillo: 1,245 votes

The whole number of votes given to John Melillo for the office of Councilman-At-Large of the Borough of Spotswood was on the State of Results as laid before me by the District Boards of Registry and Election in and for that Election.

It is my extreme pleasure to declare the Honorable John F. Melillo elected Councilman for the Borough of Spotswood in accordance with the Statutes provided.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of January in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen.

PATRICIA DeSTEFANO, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Spotswood, New Jersey

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office for Council-At-Large, John F. Melillo. Councilman Melillo's family held the bible for him.

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Jose Rivera: 1,392 votes

The whole number of votes given to Jose Rivera for the office of Councilman-At-Large of the Borough of Spotswood was on the State of Results as laid before me by the District Boards of Registry and Election in and for that Election.

It is my extreme pleasure to declare the Honorable Jose Rivera elected Councilman for the Borough of Spotswood in accordance with the Statutes provided.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of January in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen.

PATRICIA DeSTEFANO, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Spotswood, New Jersey

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office for Council-At-Large, Jose Rivera. Councilman Rivera’s family held the bible for him.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

I do hereby certify that a special election for the office of Mayor was held on November 8, 2016 in the Borough of Spotswood, New Jersey. I do further certify that at the election, the voters in the poll books in the several election districts cast the following votes:

Edward T. Seely: 1,563 votes

The whole number of votes given to Edward T. Seely for the office of Mayor of the Borough of Spotswood was on the State of Results as laid before me by the District Boards of Registry and Election in and for that Election.

It is my extreme pleasure to declare the Honorable Edward T. Seely elected Mayor for the Borough of Spotswood in accordance with the Statutes provided.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of January in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen.

PATRICIA DeSTEFANO, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Spotswood, New Jersey

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office for Mayor Edward T. Seely. Mayor Seely’s family held the bible for him.

COMMENTS

Councilwoman Drozd, Councilman Stollen, Councilman Ricci, Business Administrator McDonald, Borough Engineer Koch, and Attorney Diegnan congratulate Mayor Seely, Councilman Rivera and Councilman Melillo.

Councilman Melillo, Councilman Rivera and Mayor Seely – Thank you.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

The Clerk called for nominations for the selection of a Council President:

Councilman Stollen made a motion to nominate Councilman Ricci as Council President, seconded by Councilman Melillo.

Councilman Rivera made a motion to nominate Councilwoman Drozd as Council President, seconded by Councilwoman Drozd.

The Clerk asked if there were any other nominations. There being no further nominations, the Clerk moved that all nominations for Council President are closed.

The Clerk called the roll for the election of Council President Ricci

Councilwoman Drozd	no
Councilman Ricci	yes
Councilman Stollen	yes
Councilman Rivera	no
Councilman Melillo	yes
Councilman Melillo	yes, and Councilman Ricci was elected Council President.

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Council President. Council President Ricci’s family held the bible for the Oath of Office. The Clerk presented Council President Ricci with the gavel.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

A motion was made by Councilman Stollen to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Drozd. The Clerk called the roll which was unanimous and the meeting was opened to the public.

There being no comments in the open portion, Councilman Stollen made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Councilwoman Drozd. The Clerk called the roll and the public portion was closed.

There being no further business in the Organization/Reorganization meeting, Councilwoman Drozd made a motion to adjourn the reorganization meeting, seconded by Councilman Rivera.

The Clerk Called the Roll:

Councilwoman Drozd	yes
Councilman Stollen	yes
Councilman Melillo	yes
Councilman Rivera	yes
Council President Ricci	yes, and the organization/reorganization meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

DATED: January 4, 2017

PATRICIA DESTEFANO, RMC
Municipal Clerk

ATTEST:

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Council President