



TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER

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AGENDA FOR REORGANIZATION MEETING OF JANUARY 2, 2025 AT 7 P.M.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT OF NEW JERSEY, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS PROVIDED ON DECEMBER 10, 2024, BY SENDING WRITTEN NOTICE AND ELECTRONIC NOTICE TO THE COURIER NEWS AND THE BREEZE, POSTING ON THE WEBSITE AND THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND FILING WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK.

2. PRESENTATION OF COLORS & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -

Patriots Path Council - Boy Scouts of America

3. NATIONAL ANTHEM

4. INVOCATION - Rabbi Dan Selsberg of Temple Sholom

5. ROLL CALL

Councilman Michael Kirsh
Councilman Allen Kurdyla
Councilman Howard V. Norgalis
Councilman Filipe Pedroso
Councilman Timothy Ring

6. SELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

7. SELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

8. SELECTION OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

9. COUNCIL PRESIDENT MESSAGE

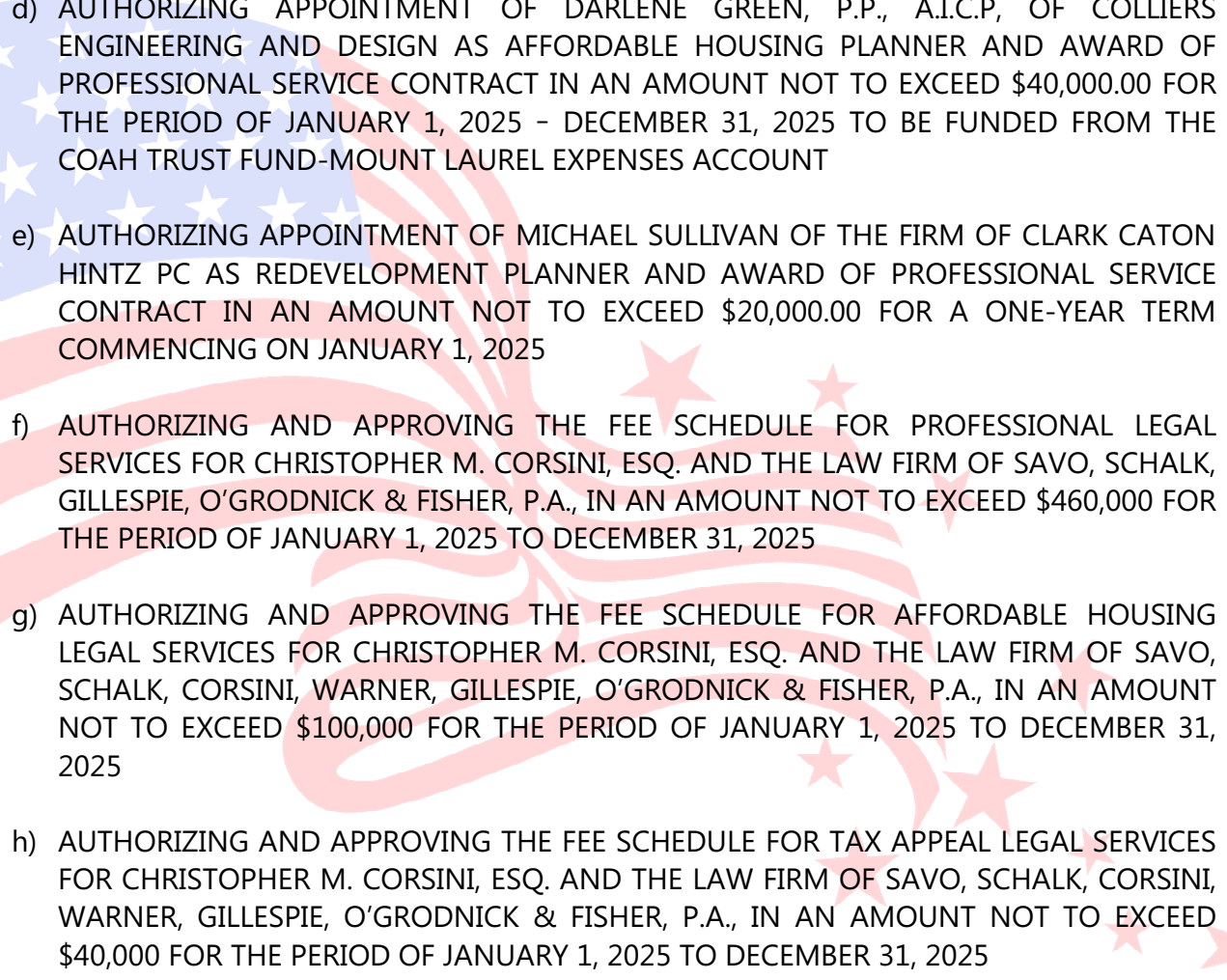
10. COUNCIL MEMBER STATEMENTS

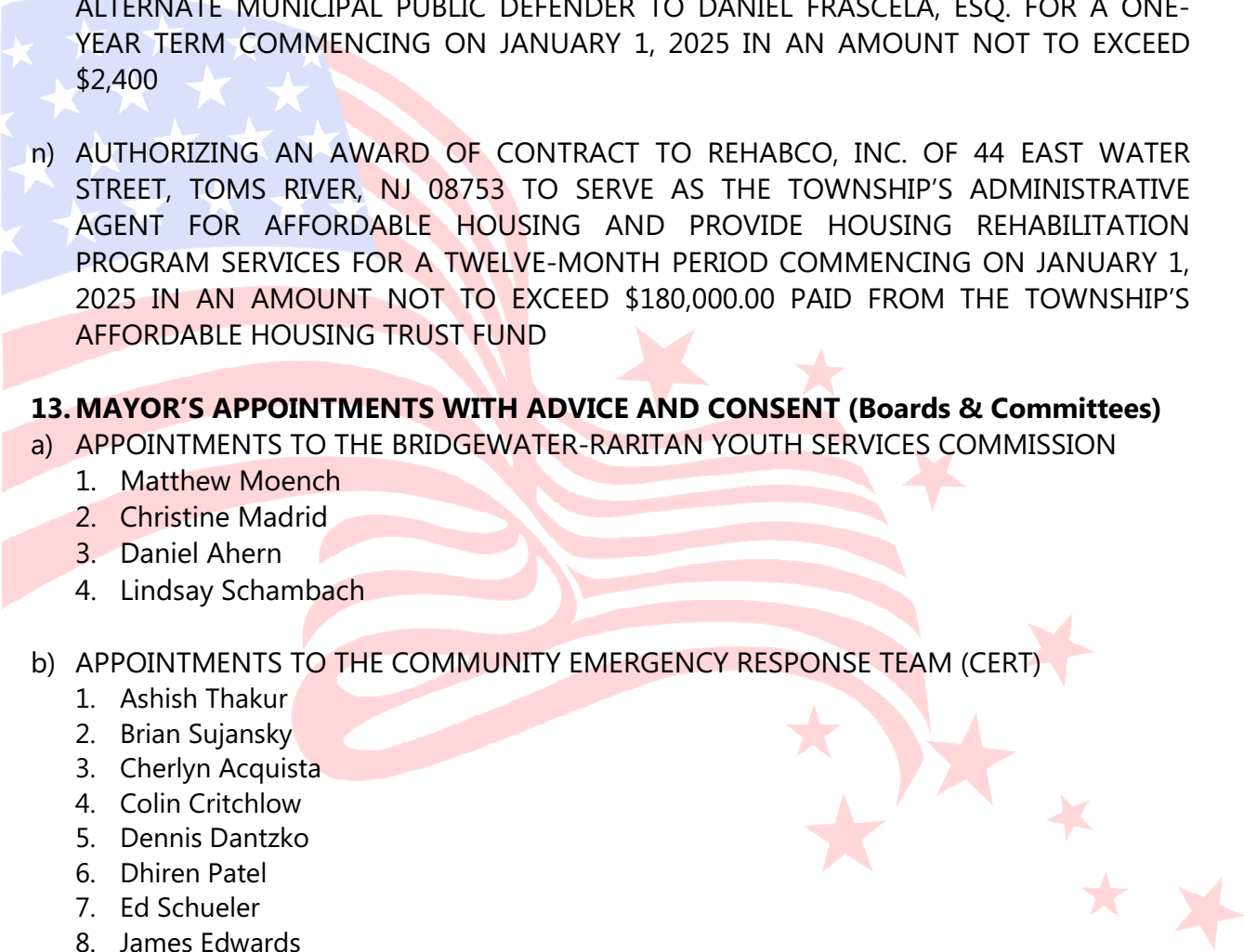
11. MAYOR'S STATE OF THE TOWNSHIP ADDRESS

Matthew C. Moench

12. MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS WITH ADVICE AND CONSENT (Staff)

- a) APPOINTMENT OF QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT SARAH HOUSMAN AS 2025 PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER (PACO)

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- b) AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM H. BURR IV, P.E. OF COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN AS TOWNSHIP ENGINEER FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025 - DECEMBER 31, 2025 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000.00
 - c) AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF KATHERINE SARMAD, P.P., A.I.C.P, OF SARMAD PLANNING GROUP, LLC AS TOWNSHIP PLANNER AND AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$77,500.00 FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025
 - d) AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF DARLENE GREEN, P.P., A.I.C.P, OF COLLIERS ENGINEERING AND DESIGN AS AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNER AND AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025 - DECEMBER 31, 2025 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE COAH TRUST FUND-MOUNT LAUREL EXPENSES ACCOUNT
 - e) AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL SULLIVAN OF THE FIRM OF CLARK CATON HINTZ PC AS REDEVELOPMENT PLANNER AND AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00 FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025
 - f) AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR CHRISTOPHER M. CORSINI, ESQ. AND THE LAW FIRM OF SAVO, SCHALK, GILLESPIE, O'GRODNICK & FISHER, P.A., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$460,000 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025 TO DECEMBER 31, 2025
 - g) AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING LEGAL SERVICES FOR CHRISTOPHER M. CORSINI, ESQ. AND THE LAW FIRM OF SAVO, SCHALK, CORSINI, WARNER, GILLESPIE, O'GRODNICK & FISHER, P.A., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025 TO DECEMBER 31, 2025
 - h) AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR TAX APPEAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR CHRISTOPHER M. CORSINI, ESQ. AND THE LAW FIRM OF SAVO, SCHALK, CORSINI, WARNER, GILLESPIE, O'GRODNICK & FISHER, P.A., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025 TO DECEMBER 31, 2025
 - i) AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO JOHN DRAIKIWICZ, ESQ., OF THE LAW FIRM OF GIBBONS, P.C. AS BOND COUNSEL FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025
 - j) AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW GIACOBBE, ESQ., OF THE LAW FIRM OF CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI & JACOBS, LLC, AS LABOR COUNSEL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000

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- k) AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES: MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR JOHN LANZA, ESQ. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000.00 FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025
 - l) AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES: MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER TO SCOTT MITZNER, ESQ. FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000.00
 - m) AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES: FIRST ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER TO DANIEL FRASCELA, ESQ. FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,400
 - n) AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT TO REHABCO, INC. OF 44 EAST WATER STREET, TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753 TO SERVE AS THE TOWNSHIP'S ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PROVIDE HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM SERVICES FOR A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$180,000.00 PAID FROM THE TOWNSHIP'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND

13. MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS WITH ADVICE AND CONSENT (Boards & Committees)

- a) APPOINTMENTS TO THE BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION
 1. Matthew Moench
 2. Christine Madrid
 3. Daniel Ahern
 4. Lindsay Schambach

- b) APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)
 1. Ashish Thakur
 2. Brian Sujansky
 3. Cherlyn Acquista
 4. Colin Critchlow
 5. Dennis Dantzko
 6. Dhiren Patel
 7. Ed Schueler
 8. James Edwards
 9. Jason Sherrard
 10. Joseph Cusumano II
 11. Kamal S. Afiouni
 12. Kevin Kimmel
 13. Leisa Begley
 14. Leonard Contarino
 15. Mahesh Chandra
 16. Marybeth Englehardt
 17. Michal Harvis

18. Nicky Badlani
19. Pat Sullivan
20. Richard Weidemann, Jr.
21. Robin Cusumano
22. Steven Cornella Sr.
23. Wayne Carter
24. Zuoming Zheng

c) APPOINTMENTS TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

1. Jason Goldan
2. Sophia Georges

d) APPOINTMENTS TO THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. Timothy Ring
2. James Edwards
3. Scott Stephens

e) APPOINTMENTS TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

1. Addison Riley
2. Aimee Alonso
3. James Magura (Planning Board Rep)
4. Ray Vella (Open Space Rep)

f) APPOINTMENTS TO THE GREEN BROOK FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION

1. Thomas M. Genova
2. Allen Kurdyla - Council Liaison
3. Michael Kirsh - Alternate Liaison

g) APPOINTMENT TO THE HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

1. Bruce Bongiorno

h) APPOINTMENTS TO THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

1. Kimberly Osborne
2. Olivia Lopes

i) APPOINTMENT TO THE LOCAL HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. Maurizio Vescio

j) APPOINTMENTS TO THE PARK BOARD

1. Ashley Sikora
2. Jennifer Loughran
3. Jonathan Hill
4. William Atkins

- k) APPOINTMENTS TO THE RARITAN MILLSTONE FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION
 1. Allen Kurdyla - Council Liaison
 2. Scott Stephens - Alternate Liaison

- l) APPOINTMENTS TO THE RECREATION BOARD
 1. Fabiola Folino
 2. Linday Schambach

- m) APPOINTMENTS TO THE REGIONAL CENTER PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE
 1. Matthew Moench
 2. Michael Pappas
 3. Filipe Pedroso - Council Liaison

- n) APPOINTMENTS TO THE SHADE TREE BOARD
 1. Barbara Ronca
 2. Diane Marconi
 3. Jeremy Li

- o) APPOINTMENTS TO THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 1. Daniel Caola
 2. Michael Minaides
 3. Scott Maraldo

14. MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS WITHOUT ADVICE AND CONSENT

- a) APPOINTMENTS TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
 1. Ankit Shah
 2. Christine Madrid
 3. Christopher Corsini
 4. Howard Norgalis
 5. James Edwards
 6. John Mitzak
 7. John Tillotson
 8. Michael Voorhees
 9. Richard Shimp
 10. Thomas Scalera
 11. Timothy Ring
 12. Wayne Carter
 13. Scott Stephens

- b) APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS
 1. Class II - Michael Pappas
 2. Class IV - James Magura
 3. Class IV - Maurizio Vescio
 4. Alternate I - Niren Choudhury

- c) APPOINTMENT TO THE SOMERSET COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 - 1. Thomas M. Genova
- d) APPOINTMENTS TO THE SOMERSET COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSORTIUM
 - 1. Scott Stephens

15. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

- a) APPOINTMENT OF **AUDITOR** - SUPLEE CLOONEY & COMPANY, 308 EAST BROAD STREET, WESTFIELD, NJ 07090-2122 IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,500 FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2025
- b) APPOINTMENT OF ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER
 - 1. William H. Burr IV, Township Engineer, P.E.
- c) APPOINTMENTS TO THE BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE
 - 1. Claudia Bateman
 - 2. Howard Norgalis
 - 3. JoAnne Bixler
 - 4. John Mitzak
 - 5. Lynne Hurley
 - 6. Megan Moench
 - 7. Serena Collado
- d) APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
 - 1. Andrew Fresco - Regular Member
 - 2. John Gayeski - Regular Member
 - 3. John Kulak - Alternate 2
 - 4. Claudio Vescio - Alternate 3
- e) APPOINTMENTS TO THE OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 - 1. James Weideli
 - 2. Ray Vella
 - 3. Yan Ren
- f) APPOINTMENT OF CLASS III PLANNING BOARD MEMBER
 - 1. Michael Kirsh
- g) APPOINTMENT OF TAX SEARCH OFFICER
 - 1. Blanca Lyons
- h) APPOINTMENTS TO THE SOMERSET COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSORTIUM
 - 1. Allen Kurdyla
 - 2. Howard Norgalis - Alternate

- i) APPOINTMENTS TO THE SOMERSET COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 - 1. Howard Norgalis - Council Liaison
 - 2. Michael Kirsh - Alternate Liaison

- j) APPOINTMENTS TO THE SOMERSET RARITAN VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
 - 1. Howard Norgalis - Council Liaison
 - 2. Michael Kirsh - Alternate Liaison

- k) APPOINTMENTS TO THE SOMERSET REGIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
 - 1. Robert Devnani
 - 2. James Weideli
 - 3. Toni Hoffman
 - 4. Joan Flynn

- l) APPOINTMENTS TO THE MIDDLE-BROOK REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION
 - 1. Howard Norgalis
 - 2. Timothy Ring

16. OATHS OF OFFICE

Administered by Christopher Corsini Esq., Township Attorney

17. RESOLUTIONS

- 1. 2025 GENERAL BUSINESS RESOLUTION GRANTING VARIOUS AUTHORITIES TO TOWNSHIP STAFF AND SETTING OFFICIAL DESIGNATIONS, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES PURSUANT TO VARIOUS APPLICABLE LAWS

- 2. 2025 TOWNSHIP COUNCIL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

- 3. 2025 TEMPORARY BUDGET-CURRENT FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,371,289.65

- 4. 2025 TEMPORARY BUDGET-SEWER UTILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,468,858.98

- 5. ESTABLISHING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AND NAMING OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES

- 6. AUTHORIZING BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP ENGINEER WILLIAM H. BURR, IV, P.E OF THE FIRM OF COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN TO EXECUTE NJDEP, NJDOT, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND SOMERSET COUNTY PERMITS ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR THE YEAR 2025

18. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Members of the public wishing to address the Council on any matter will be allowed two minutes to speak, unless there are unusual circumstances.

19. ADJOURNMENT:

11/25/2024

REFRESHMENTS TO BE SERVED IN THE ADJACENT CONFERENCE ROOM

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