

INAUGURATION AND REORGANIZATION COUNCIL MEETING - JULY 1, 2020

Organization Meeting - Municipal Council
Virtually Through Zoom
Irvington, N.J. - July 1, 2020
Wednesday Afternoon - 12 O'clock Noon

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Assistant Municipal Clerk Shawna M. Supel, who explained that the terms of office of the Ward Council Members run from July 1, 2020 to July 1, 2024 at 12:00 o'clock noon. Therefore, it is necessary for the newly elected Ward Council Members to be sworn in at this time.

Ms. Supel read the statement of proper notice pursuant to the sunshine law.

Present: Jamillah Z. Beasley, Renee C. Burgess, Vern Cox, Sean C. Evans, Charnette Frederic, Dr. October Hudley, Orlander G. Vick

The Oath of Office was administered by the Assistant Municipal Clerk to the following:

SOUTH WARD COUNCIL MEMBER - JAMILLAH Z. BEASLEY
WEST WARD COUNCIL MEMBER - VERN COX
EAST WARD COUNCIL MEMBER - SEAN EVANS
NORTH WARD COUNCIL MEMBER - ORLANDER G. VICK

The Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting until 5:30 P.M. virtually through Zoom.

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Christian Pentecostal Church
971 Clinton Avenue
Irvington, N.J. - July 1, 2020
Thursday Evening - 5:30 P.M.

The resumed meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Shawna M. Supel, Assistant Municipal Clerk, who read the Statement of Proper Notice pursuant to the Sunshine Law.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation – Pastor Jerry Smith, Transcend Worship Center

Certification of Election Results

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Ms. Supel:

CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS - MUNICIPAL ELECTION

MAY 12, 2020
IRVINGTON, N.J.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that a Municipal Election was held on May 12, 2020 in and for the Township of Irvington, New Jersey for the purpose of electing four (4) Ward Council Members.

The Board of Canvassers does determine that at said Election the following named persons were duly elected to the municipal offices as indicated:

OFFICE	NAME	VOTES
South Ward Council Member	Jamillah Z. Beasley	650
West Ward Council Member	Vern Cox	519
East Ward Council Member	Sean C. Evans	407
North Ward Council Member	Orlander G. Vick	692

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the above named Ward Council Members are eligible to be installed into their respective offices on July 1, 2020 at Irvington, N.J. as prescribed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND,
THIS 18th DAY OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY.

Christopher J. Durkin
Essex County Clerk

Bethany O'Toole
Chairperson
Essex County Bd. of Canvassers

At this point Mayor Tony Vauss introduces the Newly Elected Ward Council Members

Remarks by: Mayor Vauss

At this point Mayor Vauss calls on Imam Wahy-ud Shareef to offer a Prayer for Guidance for Newly Elected Ward Council Members

Administration of Oaths of Office

At this point Assistant Municipal Clerk Shawna M. Supel administered to oaths of office to:

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South Ward Council Member Jamillah Z. Beasley
West Ward Council Member Vern Cox
East Ward Council Member Sean C. Evans
North Ward Council Member Orlander G. Vick

Remarks by:

South Ward Council Member Jamillah Z. Beasley
West Ward Council Member Vern Cox
East Ward Council Member Sean C. Evans
North Ward Council Member Orlander G. Vick

Roll Call for New Council

Present: Council Members Beasley, Burgess, Cox, Evans, Frederic, Hudley, Vick

Resolutions

Beasley – Vick A. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Council President - Council Member At-Large Renee C. Burgess

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 7-17 (A) of the Administrative Code of the Township of Irvington provides that the term of Office of President of the Council is for a period of two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, the Council President is appointed by the Members of the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Municipal Council to appoint a Council Member as the Council President for a term of two (2) years, commencing July 1, 2020:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Council Member Renee C. Burgess hereby designated and appointed President of the Municipal Council of the Township of Irvington, New Jersey for a term as aforesaid.

Adopted

Cox – Frederic B. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Council 1st Vice President - Council Member At-Large Dr. October Hudley

WHEREAS, Section 7-17 (I) of the Revised Code of the Township of Irvington provides that the Municipal Council shall appoint from amongst their members a First Vice President of the Municipal Council for a two-year term at their reorganization meeting:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Council Member Dr. October Hudley is hereby appointed First Vice President

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of the Municipal Council of the Township of Irvington, New Jersey for a term to expire on June 30, 2022.

Adopted

Burgess – Hudley C. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Council 2nd Vice President - Council Member At-Large Charnette Frederic

WHEREAS, Section 7-17 (I) of the Revised Code of the Township of Irvington provides that the Municipal Council shall appoint from amongst their members a Second Vice President of the Municipal Council for a two-year term at their reorganization meeting:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Council Member Charnette Frederic is hereby appointed Second Vice President of the Municipal Council of the Township of Irvington, New Jersey for a term to expire on June 30, 2022.

Adopted

Frederic- Cox D. Resolution authorizing the appointment of a Representative to Joint Meeting - Council Member At-Large Renee C. Burgess

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, NEW JERSEY, that Council Member Renee C. Burgess be and is hereby appointed as

Representative of the Township of Irvington to the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties for a term of two (2) years, commencing July 1, 2020.

Adopted

Hudley - Vick E. Resolution authorizing the appointment of A.B.C. Chair Person - West Ward Council Member Vern Cox

WHEREAS, Article III, 158-29 of the Irvington Township Revised Code provides that the Municipal Council of the Township of Irvington shall constitute the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of the Township of Irvington; and

WHEREAS, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board requires a Chairman to conduct its meetings and preside over its deliberations:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Council Member Vernal C. Cox Sr. hereby designated as Chairman of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of the Township of Irvington for a term of two (2) years commencing on July 1, 2020.

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Adopted

Burgess – Cox F. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Representative to Planning Board - North Ward Council Member Orlander G. Vick

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-23 requires that a member of the Municipal Council be appointed to serve as a Member of the Planning Board:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Council Member Orlander G. Vick is hereby appointed as a Member of the Irvington Planning Board for a term of one (1) year, effective July 1, 2020.

Adopted

Beasley – Vick G. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Legislative Research Officer - Rashidah N. Hasan, Esq.

WHEREAS, Section 7-66 of the Revised Code of the Township of Irvington provides that the Municipal Council shall appoint a Legislative Research Officer to the Municipal Council:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Rashidah N. Hasan, Esq. is hereby appointed as Legislative Research Officer to the Municipal Council for a two year term, effective on July 1, 2020.

Adopted

Hudley – Vick H. Appoint Council Member Burgess to the Springfield Avenue Center Business District Management Corporation

WHEREAS, Ordinance No MC 3084 created the Springfield Avenue Center Business Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance provides for the appointment of one Council Member to be appointed to the Springfield Avenue Center Business District Management Corporation:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Council Member-At-Large Renee C. Burgess is hereby appointed as a member of the Springfield Avenue Center Business District Management Corporation.

Adopted

Burgess – Cox I. Appoint Council Member Dr. Hudley to the Campfield Business District Management Corporation

WHEREAS, Ordinance No MC 3159 created the Camptown Business Improvement District; and

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WHEREAS, said ordinance provides for the appointment of persons to the District Management Corporation provided under the bylaws of the District Management Corporation; and

WHEREAS, First Team Management, the firm hired by said District Management Corporation to administer the Camptown Business Improvement District, has represented that the by-laws of said District Management Corporation provide for the appointment of one Council Member to the Camptown District Management Corporation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL FO THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that Council Member-At-Large Dr. October Hudley is hereby appointed as a member of the Camptown Business District Management Corporation.

Adopted

Benediction – Pastor Brandon Washington, Christian Love Baptist Church

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Renee C. Burgess, Council President

Shawna M. Supel, Assistant Municipal Clerk