

# 20230104 - Village Council Reorganization Meeting

VILLAGE OF RIDGEWOOD

VILLAGE COUNCIL

REORGANIZATION MEETING

JANUARY 4, 2023

6:30 P.M.

SYDNEY V. STOLDT, JR. COURT ROOM

1. Call to Order - Mayor
2. Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act
3. Roll Call of Current Village Council - Village Clerk
4. Flag Salute and Moment of Silence
5. Invocation –
6. Comments from the Public (Not to exceed 3 minutes per person - 40 minutes in total)
7. Approval of Minutes
8. **RESOLUTIONS**

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERED 23-1 THROUGH 23-2 ARE TO BE ADOPTED BY A CONSENT AGENDA, WITH ONE VOTE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL. THERE IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION BESIDE EACH RESOLUTION TO BE CONSIDERED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. EACH RESOLUTION WILL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY:

**23-1 Award Professional Services Contract – Social Worker – Health Department (NTE \$6,750 in 2022, and \$13,500 in 2023 for a total of \$20,250) – Awards a Professional Services Contract to Stephanie McTigue, LCSW, 379 Shelbourne Terrace, Ridgewood, NJ. This is paid for through a grant, which was obtained through the Health Department. This resolution rescinds and replaces Resolution #22-417.**

**23-2 Rescind Resolution #22-414 - Award Professional Services Contract – Final Design Services – Safe Routes to School Grant (NTE \$141,756.25) – Rescinds Resolution #22-414 in order to verify the amount of funding available for this project, prior to awarding a Professional Services Contract for the final design services**

9. Remarks by Village Councilmembers about Mayor Susan Knudsen

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11. Reading of Certificate of Election of Evan Weitz –

Heather A. Mailander, Village Manager/Village Clerk

12. Oath of Office Administered to Evan Weitz by United States Magistrate Judge Jose Almonte of the District of New Jersey

13. Remarks by Councilmember Evan Weitz

14. Reading of Certificate of Election of Siobhan Winograd –

Heather A. Mailander, Village Manager/Village Clerk

15. Oath of Office Administered to Siobhan Winograd by Councilmember Pamela R. Perron, Esq.

16. Remarks by Councilmember Siobhan Winograd

17. Roll Call of New Village Council – Heather A. Mailander, Village Manager/Village Clerk

18. Call for Nominations for Office of Mayor by Heather A. Mailander, Village Manager/Village Clerk

19. Administering of Oath of Office to Mayor by

20. Call for Nomination for Office of Deputy Mayor by Mayor

21. Administering of Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor by Matthew S. Rogers, Village Attorney

22. Call for Nomination for Office of President Pro Tempore of the Village Council by Mayor

23. Administering of Oath of Office to President Pro Tempore of the Village Council by United States Magistrate Judge Jose Almonte of the District of New Jersey

24. Remarks by Deputy Mayor

25. Remarks by Mayor

26. **RESOLUTIONS**

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERED 23-3 THROUGH 23-17 ARE TO BE ADOPTED BY A CONSENT AGENDA, WITH ONE VOTE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL. THERE IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION BESIDE EACH RESOLUTION TO BE CONSIDERED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. EACH RESOLUTION WILL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY:

**23-3 Appoint Village Attorney (NTE \$200,000) - Appoints Matthew Rogers as the Village Attorney under a non-fair**

and open contract for a term of 1/1/2023-12/31/2023. The required Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office, as required by law.

**23-4 Appoint Village Bond Attorney (NTE \$125,000) - Appoints McManimon, Scotland, and Baumann, L.L.C., 75 Livingston Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Roseland, NJ as the Village Bond Attorney from 1/1/2023-12/31/2023 under a non-fair and open contract. The required Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office, as required by law.**

**23-5 Appoint Village Labor Attorney - (NTE \$75,000) - Appoints Dominick Bratti and Bratti Greenan, LLC, 1040 Broad Street, Suite 104, Shrewsbury, NJ as the Village Labor Attorney under a non-fair and open contract from 1/1/2023 - 12/31/2023. The required Pay to Play forms have filed with the Village Clerk's Office, as required by law.**

**23-6 Appoint Village Auditor (NTE \$50,000) – Appoints Nisivoccia, LLP, 200 Valley Road, Suite 300, Mount Arlington, NJ, under a non-fair and open contract. The required Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office, as required by law.**

**23-7 Appoint Professional Planning Consultant for Affordable Housing and Related Matters (NTE \$65,000) – Appoints Elizabeth McManus, LEED, AP, PP, AICP and Kyle + McManus Associates, LLC, 2 East Broad Street, Hopewell, NJ as the Village Professional Planning Consultant for Affordable**

Housing and Related Matters under a non-fair and open contract, from 1/1/2023 - 12/31/2023. The required Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office, as required by law.

**23-8 Appoint Village Prosecutor (NTE \$550/session, NTE \$30,000 total) –** Appoints Mark P. Fierro, 1086 Teaneck Road, Suite 3A, Teaneck, NJ as the Village Prosecutor from 1/1/2023-12/31/2023, under a fair and open contract. The required Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office.

**23-9 Appoint Public Defender (NTE \$200/case, NTE \$3,000 total) -** Appoints Susan Cassell as the Public Defender from 1/1/2023-12/31/2023

**23-10 Award Professional Services Contract – Risk Management Consultant (NTE \$60,000) –** Awards a Professional Services contract under a non-fair and open contract to Brown and Brown Metro, LLC, 56 Livingston Avenue, Roseland, NJ. The hiring of a Risk Management Consultant is required under the Joint Insurance Fund's bylaws, and the required Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office.

**23-11 Appoint Members to the Planning Board -** Appoints Rob Willis as a Class I member, as the Mayor's designee for a term that expires 12/31/24; John Young as a Class II member for a term that expires 12/31/23; Councilmember Pamela Perron as a Class III member for a term that expires 12/31/23; Richard Joel and Sergio Alegre as Class IV members for terms that expire 12/31/26; Michael Stern as Alternate #1 for a term that expires 12/31/24; and David Refkin as Alternate #2, to fill the unexpired term of Sergio Alegre, which term expires 12/31/23

**23-12 Appoint Members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment -** Appoints Matthew Bandelt as a full member for a term that expires 12/31/26; Jason Curreri to fill the unexpired term of Isaac Lebow which term expires 12/31/23; Harold Maxwell as Alternate #1, to fill the unexpired term of Jason Curreri, which term expires 12/31/23; and Jamie Fox as Alternate #2 for a term that expires 12/31/24

**23-13 Appoint Member to Library Board of Trustees –** Appoints Laurie Goodman as a member of the Library Board of Trustees for a term that expires on 12/31/27

**23-14 Appoint Members to Citizens Safety Advisory Committee –** Appoints Shayan Farooqi, John Prieto, and Henry Ratcliffe to terms that expire on 12/31/24; Michael Lembo as the Ridgewood Board of Education Member, Christopher Rutishauser, Village Engineer, or his designee, and Chief Jacqueline Luthcke or her designee for terms that expire 12/31/23

**23-15 Appoint Members to the Open Space Committee –** Appoints Ralph Currey and James Bostler as regular members to terms that expire 12/31/24. Also appoints Frances Barto (Planning Board representative), David Sayles (PRC Board representative), and Robert Lasky (Field Committee) to terms that expire 12/31/23.

**23-16 Appoint Member to Project Pride Committee –** Appoints Josh Ehlin as a member of Project Pride

**23-17 Appoint Village Councilmembers as Liaisons to Various Boards and Committees -** Appoints Village Councilmembers as Liaisons to various boards and committees through December 31, 2023

27. Comments from the Public (Not to Exceed 5 minutes per person)

28. Adjournment

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