



Council Chambers  
579 Ringwood Avenue  
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# BOROUGH OF WANAQUE

## Reorganization Council Meeting

### AGENDA

Phone: (973) 839-3000  
Website: [www.wanaqueborough.com](http://www.wanaqueborough.com)  
January 2, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR  
Daniel Mahler

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#### REORGANIZATION MEETING

- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- Invocation – Rabbi Menachem “Mendy” Gurkov
- Sunshine Statement

#### OATHS OF OFFICE

*State Senator Joseph Pennacchio*

- Councilman Donald Pasquariello
- Councilman Robert Pettet

#### MAYOR’S ADDRESS 2024

*Mayor Daniel Mahler*

#### COUNCIL ADDRESSES

*Borough Council*

#### CALL TO ORDER

*Mayor Daniel Mahler, Presiding*

- Roll Call

#### PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENT RESOLUTIONS

*Mayor – Consent of Council*

- 1-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Borough Attorney Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" – **Anthony Fiorello, LLC**
- 2-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Borough Planner / Economic Development Consultant Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" – **Benecke Economics**
- 3-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Borough Auditor Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" – **Wielkotz & Company LLC**
- 4-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Borough Labor Counsel Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" – **Sean Dias / Dias Law LLC**



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- 5-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Borough Bond Counsel Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" - **Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, LLP**
- 6-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Borough Risk Management Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" - **Polaris Galaxy Group**
- 7-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Borough Engineer / Sewer Engineer Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" - **The Alaimo Group, Inc.**
- 8-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Information Technology Services Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" - **Tri-State Technical Services, Inc**
- 9-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Affordable Housing Administrative Agent Awarded as A Fair and Open "Professional Service" - **Community Grants, Planning & Housing**
- 10-0-2024:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Health Insurance Broker Awarded as a Fair and Open "Professional Service" – **Professional Insurance Associates**

### ROLL CALL VOTE

<b>MAYOR APPOINTMENTS</b>	<i>Mayor Daniel Mahler</i>
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- 11-0-2024:** Mayors' Appointment of Class IV Planning Board Members
 

<i>John Jordan</i>	<i>Class IV Member – 4 Year Term</i>
<i>Angela Demetriou</i>	<i>Class IV Member – Unexpired Term 12/31/2025</i>
- 12-0-2024:** Mayor's Appointment of Library Board of Trustee Members
 

<i>Mayor Daniel Mahler</i>	<i>Mayor Representative</i>
<i>Susanne Raoul</i>	<i>Member – Five-Year Term</i>
- 13-0-2024:** Mayor's Appointment of Recreation Commission Members
 

<i>Councilwoman Bridget Pasznik</i>	<i>Council Liaison - One-Year Term</i>
<i>Frank Pricken</i>	<i>Commissioner - Five-Year Term</i>
<i>Melissa Harris</i>	<i>Commissioner - Five-Year Term</i>



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#### BOROUGH APPOINTMENTS

*Mayor – Consent of Council*

**14-0-2024:** *Reserved*

**15-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing David C. Stanziale as Municipal Prosecutor

**16-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Hisham I. Masri as Assistant Municipal Prosecutor

**17-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing William Marotta as Public Defender

**18-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Paul Uhlik as Assistant Public Defender

**19-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Emergency Management Positions  
*Deputy OEM Coordinator: Captain Mark Kershaw*  
*Secretaries: Patricia Norton / Melissa DeVore*

**20-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Special Police Officers and Police Department Chaplain  
*Chris Vnencak Mark Olivieri Thomas Fernicola*  
*Alexa Barna Charles Huber – Class II Phillip Cavallaro – Class II*  
*Police Chaplain: Jason James*

**21-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Officers in the Wanaque Fire Department  
*CHIEF: Mark Olivieri 1st ASSISTANT CHIEF: Mike Rubino*  
*2nd ASSISTANT CHIEF: George Schamble*  
*CAPTAINS: Co. #1 – Nick Giordano Co. #2 – Casey Fantozzi*  
*1st LIEUTENANTS: Co. #1 – Anthony Melton Co. #2 – Rennie Jacob*  
  
*Fire Department Chaplain: Thomas Luciani*

**22-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Officials in the Wanaque Fire Prevention Bureau  
*Fire Official: Kevin Platt*  
*Fire Inspectors: Dennis Dondero William Roberto John Roberto Robert DeStaffen*

**23-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Members of the Board of Health  
*Councilwoman Bridget Pasznik Council Liaison*  
*Wendy Weiss Member - Three-Year Term*  
*Kathleen A. Leary Member - Three-Year Term*



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**24-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment  
*Councilman Ed Leonard                      Council Liaison*  
*Helen Aumenta                                  Member - Four-Year Term*  
*Vince Farinella                                 Alternate #1 – Unexpired Term 12/31/2024*  
*Ed Bonner                                         Alternate #2 - Two-Year Term*

**25-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Members of the Open Space Committee  
*Councilman Robert Pettet                  Council Liaison*  
*Christine Covelli                               Member – Three-Year Term*  
*Michael Healy                                   Member – Three-Year Term*

**26-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Members of the Ethics Board  
*Melchoir Van Hattem                        Member - Five-Year Term*

**27-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Members of the Planning Board  
*Mayor Daniel Mahler                         Class I Member*  
*Kevin Platt                                        Class II Member- One-Year Term*  
*Councilman Dominick Cortellessa        Class III Member- One-Year Term*  
*Open     Alternate#1 – Two-Year Term*

**28-0-2024:** *Reserved*

### ROLL CALL VOTE

<b>STATUTORY APPOINTMENTS (one-year term)</b>	<i>Borough Council</i>
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1. Susan Boyhan                      Assistant Treasurer
2. Katherine Falone                  Assessment Search Officer
3. Katherine Falone                  Tax Search Officer
4. Paul Carelli                        Public Agency Compliance Officer
5. Thomas Carroll                    Fund Commissioner NJIF
6. Paul Carelli                        Solid Waste Advisory Council

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#### RESOLUTIONS CONSENT AGENDA

*Borough Council*

*All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Council request specific items to be removed for separate action.*

- 29-0-2024: SIGNATURE RESOLUTION.
- 30-0-2024: TRANSFER RESOLUTION
- 31-0-2024: INTEREST RESOLUTION – DELINQUENT TAXES
- 32-0-2024: INTEREST RESOLUTION – UNPAID ASSESSMENTS
- 33-0-2024: CANCEL PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS OR DELINQUENCIES OF \$10.00 OR LESS
- 34-0-2024: TAX SALE FOR 2024
- 35-0-2024: INVESTMENT RESOLUTION
- 36-0-2024: CHANGE FUND RESOLUTION
- 37-0-2024: ENUMERATED CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT
- 38-0-2024: CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE OFFICER
- 39-0-2024: AFFIRMATION ACTION PROGRAM FOR EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
- 40-0-2024: ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE
- 41-0-2024: PAYMENT TO LIBRARY – 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER ALLOTMENT: \$145,406.75
- 42-0-2024: MAILING OF NOTICE FOR THE TAX SALE IN PLACE OF ADVERTISING
- 43-0-2024: APPROVE SURETY BOND – COUNTY ROAD OPENING
- 44-0-2024: ADOPTING TORT CLAIM NOTICE
- 45-0-2024: ESTABLISH A PETTY CASH FUND
- 46-0-2024: ANNUAL SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS FOR 2024
- 47-0-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL BOROUGH HOLIDAYS FOR 2024
- 48-0-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL BOROUGH NEWSPAPER FOR 2024
- 49-0-2024: DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES OF THE BOROUGH FOR THE YEAR 2024
- 50-0-2024: TEMPORARY BUDGET

#### ROLL CALL VOTE



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#### ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT / COUNCIL COMMITTEES

**51-0-2024:** Election of Council President for 2024 – Councilwoman Bridget Pasznik

**52-0-2024:** Resolution Appointing Council Committees For 2024

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

#### OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

*General Public*

*Members of the public are invited to comment at this time on any issues, whether or not on the agenda  
The Passaic County Commissioner format will be followed.*

#### ADJOURNMENT

Additional items may be added to this agenda. Final action may be taken on all matters listed or added to this agenda. This agenda was prepared as of 12/29/2023 with all available information as of this date. This agenda has been sent to official newspapers of the Borough on December 29, 2023 in compliance with P.L. 1975, c 213.

Katherine J. Falone, RMC, CMC  
Municipal Clerk

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