

**MINUTES FOR THE ORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN
HELD AT THE FRANKLIN BOROUGH HALL
46 MAIN STREET, FRANKLIN, NJ AT 12:00 NOON
JANUARY 1, 2013**

Mayor Crowley will call the meeting to order.

Mayor Crowley will state “this meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Ch. 231. It has been properly advertised and certified by the Clerk.”

Mayor Crowley led the assembly in the flag salute.

Roll Call of 2012 Borough Council Members

Mayor Crowley requested a roll call of the 2012 Governing Body:

Present: Mr. Giordano, Mr. Limon, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Zschack and Mayor Crowley

Absent: Mr. Kulsar, Mrs. Gardell

Oaths of Office

Ms. Hough read the “Statement of Determination” of the Board of County Canvassers.

Ms. Hough administered the Oath of Office to Councilman-elect Frederick J. Babcock for a three-year term as Councilman of the Borough of Franklin.

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Present: Mr. Babcock, Mr. Giordano, Mr. Limon, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Zschack, Mayor Crowley

Absent: Mrs. Gardell

Ms. Hough administered the Oath of Office to Councilman-elect Gilbert J. Snyder for a three-year term as Councilman of the Borough of Franklin.

Mayor Crowley commented we already had the roll call.

Council Appointment: Council President

Mayor Crowley opened the floor for Council nominations to the position of Council President for 2013.

Mr. Zschack nominated Councilman Snyder to the position of Council President for 2013. Mr. Limon seconded the motion.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Babcock, Giordano, Limon, Snyder, Zschack

Nays: None Absent: Gardell Abstentions: None

Fire Department Chief and Line Officers

Mayor Crowley recognized the Chief of the Franklin Fire Department for 2013, Jeffrey Snyder

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Chief Snyder stated he is looking forward to working with everyone on the Council and the Mayor.

Mayor Crowley commented it will be a good year this year hopefully we won't be using you for fires we hope for safety of all the fireman.

Mayor Crowley asked Fire Chief Jeffrey Snyder to introduce the 2013 Line Officers of the Franklin Fire Department. Line Officers present: Assistant Chief Troy Kays Captain Don Stoll, Lieutenant Brian Doyle, 2nd Lieutenant Mike Raperto, President Jack Stoll, Vice President James Carroll, Treasurer Jim Nidelko and Secretary Martin Swiss.

Note: Third Lieutenant Ryan Stickle could not make the meeting.

Ms. Hough administered the Oath of Office to the Line Officers present of the Franklin Fire Department for 2013.

Mayor Crowley thanked the fireman for their service to the Borough, they put their lives on the line and are always available not only for firefighting but for many other things that the Borough needs.

Mayor Crowley introduced Assemblywoman Alison McHose.

Assemblywoman McHose stepped forward; she congratulated the Fire Department and thanked them for everything they do. Your time is so valuable to the taxpayers and town. Assemblywoman McHose stated Steve Oroho and Gary Chiusano are fighting for the volunteers in Trenton.

Assemblywoman McHose thanked the Council for their service. It is often thankless work that we do as public servants; on behave of the District 24th Legislators we are proud to work with you and wish you a great 2013.

Approval of NJ State Firemen's Association Membership Application

Mr. Giordano made a motion to approve the application for membership of Khyle T. Conklin, 31 Sterling Street, Franklin and George E. Gunderman, 54 Summit Rd. Hamburg, to the Franklin Fire Department as recommended by Jeffrey Snyder, Franklin Fire Department Chief. Seconded by Mr. Zschack

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Giordano, Zschack

Nayes: None Absent: Gardell Abstentions: Limon, Snyder, Babcock

Mayor's Appointments

At this time, **Mayor Crowley** will present his nominations for appointment to the various positions of Borough Government for the year 2013.

Prosecutor (1 yr.)	Anthony DenUyl
Public Defender (1 yr.)	Daniel A. Colfax, Esq.
Administrator	James Kilduff (Subject to Contract)
Assessment Search Officer (1 yr.)	Robin Hough
Tax Search Officer (1 yr.)	Theresa Schlosser
Borough Physician (1 yr.)	Dennis Fielding
Animal Control Officer (1 yr.)	John Abate
School Crossing Head Guard (1 yr.)	Lynn Prtorich
Municipal Housing Liaison (1yr.)	James Kilduff

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Judge (3yr.) Expires 12/31/14 James Devine, Esq.
Emergency Management Coordinator (3 yr) Jim Williams

Mr. Giordano made a motion to confirm the Mayor's Appointments. Seconded by Mr. Zschack.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Babcock, Giordano, Limon, Snyder, Zschack

Nays: None Absent: Gardell Abstentions: None

11. Appointments: Planning Board

Mayor Crowley referred to the addendum for the Planning Board appointments.

Planning Board Appointments

Member Class IV (4 year term)

John Cholminski

Member Class IV (4 year term)

Steve Zydon (moved from Alt #1)

Alternate #1 (2 yr. term)

Nathan Foulds (moved from Alt#2)

Fire Safety Class II (1 yr. term)

Wes Suckey

Mr. Giordano made a motion to approve the Planning Board appointments. Seconded by Mr. Limon.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Babcock, Giordano, Limon, Snyder, Zschack

Nays: None Absent: Gardell Abstentions: None

At this time, Mayor Crowley asked for a motion select a representative to serve on the Planning Board as a Full Member Class III (1 yr.)

Mr. Snyder made a motion that we appoint Mark Zschack as the Planning Board Class III member. Seconded by Mr. Babcock.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Babcock, Giordano, Limon, Snyder, Zschack

Nays: None Absent: Gardell Abstentions: None

Appointments: Boards and Commissions

Mayor Crowley shall nominate appointments for the various Boards and Commissions of the Borough of Franklin for 2013.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Member

4 year term

Richard Kell

Member

4 year term

Liz Bonis

Member

4 year term

John Kopcso

Alternate #2

2 year term

Joseph Martinez

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Member

3 year term

Glenn Soules

Alternate #1

3 year term

Vacant

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FRANKLIN/HARDYSTON JOINT RECREATION COMMITTEE

All current Board of Recreation Commissioners 1 year term

RECREATION COMMISSION

Member	5 year term	Anthony Marino
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BOARD OF HEALTH

Member	4 year term	Mary Alonso
Member	4 year term	Amy Fiorentino
Secretary	1 year term	Rachel Heath

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Mayor	1 year term	Paul Crowley
Deputy	1 year term	Eugene McInerney
Member/OEM	1 year term	Jim Williams
Member/FFD	1 year term	Jeffrey Snyder
Member/WVFAS	1 year term	Ryan Stickle
Member	1 year term	Scott Rogoff
Member	1 year term	Monica Miebach
Member	1 year term	Jim Kilduff
Member	1 year term	Steve Sluka
Member	1 year term	Dayne Hill
Member	1 year term	Richard L. Border
Member	1 year term	James Nidelko

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Member	1 year term	Renee Smith
Member	1 year term	Suzanne Weeks
Member	1 year term	David Fanale
Member	1 year term	Steven Oroho
Member	1 year term	Steve Zydon
Member	1 year term	Judy Williams
Alternate #1	1 year term	Vacant
Alternate #2	1 year term	Vacant

RENT LEVELING BOARD

Member	5 year term	John Friend
Alt# 1	1 year term	Bonnie Holland
Alt#2	1 year term	Glen Soules

Mr. Zschack made a motion to confirm the Mayor's Appointments. Seconded by Mr. Limon.

Mr. Limon commented on the local emergency list it states Frederick Babcock; that would have to be changed to the new fire chief and Ryan Stickle underneath is spelled incorrectly.

Mayor Crowley stated the motion would be to include the changes to remove Frederick Babcock and replace with Jeffrey Snyder and the spelling correction.

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Mr. Zschack amended his motion.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Babcock, Giordano, Limon, Snyder, Zschack

Nays: None Absent: Gardell Abstentions: None

2013 Council Committee Duties

Mayor Crowley shall announce Council Committee duties for the year 2013 with the Mayor named as Ex-Officio Member of each Committee.

a. **ADMINISTRATIVE: Ordinance**

Chairman: Susan Gardell
Member: Frederick Babcock
Member: Mark Zschack
Alternate: Joe Limon

b. **ADMINISTRATIVE: Finance, Budget & Insurance**

Chairman: Gilbert Snyder
Member: Mayor Crowley
Member: Frederick Babcock
Alternate: Susan Gardell

c. **PUBLIC UTILITIES: Council Liaison to the Board of Public Works**

Liaison: Susan Gardell
Alternate: Gilbert Snyder

d. **PERSONNEL & NEGOTIATIONS:**

Chairman: Joe Limon
Member: Mayor Crowley
Member: Gilbert Snyder
Alternate: Mark Zschack

e. **PUBLIC SAFETY: Police & Fire**

Chairman: Mark Zschack
Member: Mayor Crowley
Member: Susan Gardell
Alternate: Nicholas Giordano

f. **COMMUNITY RELATIONS:** Council Representatives to:

Recreation Commission, Economic Development, also serves as the
“Awards Committee.”

Member: Nicholas Giordano Economic Development
Member: Nicholas Giordano Recreation
Liaison: Nicholas Giordano Joint Recreation Commission

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Members: Shared Services Committee

Mark Zschack
Gilbert Snyder
Paul Crowley

Members: Rent Leveling Board

Susan Gardell
Joe Limon

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mayor Crowley requested a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Mr. Limon made a motion to accept the consent agenda as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Babcock.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Babcock, Giordano, Limon, Snyder, Zschack

Nayes: None Absent: Gardell Abstentions: None

Mayor's Statement

Mayor Crowley stated he is looking forward to a very good year. Unfortunately there will be a lot of financial problem; the economy is not doing well, proceeds are down. The State is not doing well; he expects to get less State Aid.

Mr. Kilduff stated he would like to take this opportunity to extend his best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous year to the Governing Body, Borough employees, volunteers, professionals their families and all the residents' family and friends of Franklin Borough. Mr. Kilduff reflected the challenges of the Borough for 2012 due to economic down turn and storms (Irene and Sandy). Franklin residents came together to help one another with community spirit. Mr. Kilduff commented 2013 is a special year for Franklin as the Borough prepares for its 100th year celebration.

Mr. Giordano welcomed Mr. Babcock on the Council. Mr. Giordano stated he is looking forward to a year of good and responsible government. A Council that has a unified vision that is supportive of our employees and town citizens. Mr. Giordano said he is honored to be the Council representative for recreation this year; he is honored to be chosen to be on recreation this year for our 100th anniversary. He had some changes in his responsibilities and is looking forward to the new task he has at hand.

Mr. Snyder congratulated Mr. Babcock on being elected Councilman; do the best you can. He thanked the Council for making him Council President. Mr. Snyder wished everyone a Happy and safe New Year. Mr. Snyder looks forward to the spirit of the 100th year in this town.

Mr. Limon commented he liked the reorganization meeting being on the first again. Mr. Limon stated the Mayor sits up here and he is amazed how he handles the public, it is hectic and the way he handles himself during the meetings he applauds that. Mr. Limon welcomed Mr. Babcock; he is a very up front man, expects results and is a hard worker. Mr. Limon commended on the real assets the Freeholders sold recently.

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Mr. Zschack also welcomed Mr. Babcock to the council. Mr. Zschack looks forward to working with everyone this year.

Mr. Babcock thanked everyone; he looks forward to working with everyone. Have a safe and Happy New Year let's get things straightened out and get people happy again.

Mayor Crowley recognized Judy Williams. Mayor Crowley asked Mrs. Williams if she will be attending a council meeting soon regarding the 100th year celebration.

Mrs. Williams commented yes, she prefers the second meeting of the Council in January.

Mr. Babcock stated Mr. Limon and himself are co chairman in the fire house.

Adjournment

Mr. Snyder motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12: 24PM. Mr. Giordano seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Paul B. Crowley, Mayor

Robin Hough, Acting Borough Clerk