

**120th  
REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL  
BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD, NEW JERSEY  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
55 JEFFERSON AVENUE  
JANUARY 2, 2014**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Birkner calls the 120th Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Council to order at 7:00 PM and reads the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This meeting which conforms with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW, CHAPTER 231, PUBLIC LAWS OF 1975, is a regular Borough Council meeting. Notices have been filed with our local official newspapers and posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board".

**2. FLAG SALUTE AND INVOCATION:**

The Colors are presented by the Westwood Police Reserves Color Guard.

**3. COUNCILMEMBERS - ELECT:**

Robert Miller is administered his Oath of Office as Member of the Council for a three year term by Mayor Birkner, Jr. Term expiring 12/31/16.

Robert Bicocchi is administered his Oath of Office as Member of the Council for a three year term by Mayor Birkner, Jr. Term expiring 12/31/16.

**4. ROLL CALL**

Borough Clerk Hughes calls the Roll:

Mayor Birkner  
Councilmember Arroyo  
Councilmember Bicocchi  
Councilmember Grefrath  
Councilmember Miller  
Councilmember Sciara  
Councilmember Waneck  
Borough Administrator Hoffmann  
Borough Clerk Hughes

**5. PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING COUNCILMEMBER:**

**6. APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PROFESSIONALS**

Mayor Birkner announces the following appointments:

Borough Attorney

Resolution #14-1: Appointment of Borough Attorney

Motion:                      Second:

Roll Call:

Borough Engineer

Resolution #14-2: Appointment of Borough Engineer

Motion:                      Second:

Roll Call:

Councilmember            tenders the motion that all the following Professional appointments be confirmed, via Resolution #14-3. Councilmember                      seconds the motion. Roll Call:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Firm</b>	<b>Designee</b>
Borough Auditor	Lerch, Vinci & Higgins	Gary Vinci, RMA
Risk Manager	Burton Agency	Robert Kanwisher



14-22	OFFICIAL BOROUGH NEWSPAPERS
14-23	\$20.00 CHARGE FOR PAYMENTS MADE WITH INSUFFICIENT FUNDS
14-24	\$5.00 CHARGE FOR TAX ACCOUNT REPORTS TO SEARCH COMPANIES
14-25	TAX SALE COSTS
14-26	CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN 2014
14-27	MUTUAL AID – PASCACK VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENTS
14-28	AUTHORIZATION OF A FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATES

**12. ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS AND DESIGNATIONS TO VARIOUS MUNICIPAL OFFICES:**

Robert Hoffmann – Affirmative Action Compliance Official, B-MED, B-MEL & JIF Official  
 Karen Hughes - Assessment Search Officer, Local Ethics Official  
 Denise Holmes - Deputy Borough Clerk  
 Letitia Candeloro - Court Administrator  
 Elizabeth Kraus - Deputy Court Administrator  
 Rick Woods - Recycling Coordinator, Clean Community Coordinator  
 Sharon Blehl - Right-To-Know Coordinator, Bloodborne Pathogens Coordinator  
 Stefanie Stokes – Tax Search Officer  
 Robert Hibler - Borough Historian  
 Mayor Birkner invites all appointees to the dais. Judge Karch administers the Oaths of Office.

**13. APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS**

Mayor Birkner announces the following appointments.

Board of Health

Betsy Beckman, 3 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
 Lee Tremble, 3 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
 Teresa Lardaro, Alt #1, 3 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
 Fumi Sugahara, Alt. #2, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/14  
 Councilmember Robert Miller (Council Liaison)

Recreation Advisory Board

John Toale, 3 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
 Jody Murphy, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/14  
 Angelo Pira, 3 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
 Ruth Nass, Alt #1, 3 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
 Kevin Corcoran, Alt #2, 3 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
 Councilmember Robert Miller (Council Liaison)

Technology Committee

Councilmember Peter Grefrath (Council Liaison)

Westwood Parking Authority

Joseph Green, 5 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/18  
 Councilmember Ray Arroyo (Council Liaison)

Library Board of Trustees

Michael Violano, 5 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/18  
 Dr. Jim Sheerin, School Supt., Annual Expiring 12/31/14  
 Felicia Brockner, School Alternate, Annual Expiring 12/31/14  
 Councilmember Cynthia Waneck (Council Liaison)

Shade Tree Committee

Sheryl Scherba, 5 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/18  
 Councilmember Cynthia Waneck (Council Liaison)

Safety Committee - (Annual Appointments)

Darren Blankenbush, Safety Delegate  
Gary Buchheister, Alternate Delegate  
Richard Woods, Member  
Linda Aiello, Member  
Sylvia Kokowski, Member  
William Haffler, Fire Department Member  
Denise Holmes, Member  
Christine Compesi, Member  
Barbara Constantine, Member  
Jack Sauer, Member  
Martha Urbiel, Member  
Sgt. Matthew McClutchy, Member  
Robert Hoffmann, Member/Borough Administrator

Local Assistance Board

Councilmember Robert Miller (Council Liaison)

Heritage Society

Councilmember John J Sciara (Council Liaison)

Historic Preservation Commission

Edmund Choinski, Class C, 4 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/17  
Julia Delyannis, Class C, 4 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/17  
Dulce Acevedo Mateo, Alt. #1, 2 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/15  
Eric Gsellmeier, Alt. #2, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/14  
Councilmember Peter Grefrath (Council Liaison)

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Guy Hartman, 4Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/17  
Chris Montana, 4Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/17  
Christopher Owens, 4Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/17  
Wayne Harper, Alt. #1, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/15  
Marc Truscio, Alt. #2, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/15  
Councilmember Robert Bicocchi (Council Liaison)

Website Committee

Councilmember Cynthia Waneck (Council Liaison)

Environmental Advisory Committee

Christine Blaney, 3Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
Scott Viapiano, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/14  
Boniface Kiamue, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/15  
Councilmember Peter Grefrath (Council Liaison)

Westwood Municipal Alliance (Annual Term)

Gary Buchheister, Annual Expiring 12/31/13

Planning Board

William Martin, Class II, Annual Expiring 12/31/14  
Jaymee Hodges, Class IV, 4 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/17  
Phillip Cerruti, Class IV, 4 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/17  
Ann Costello, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/16  
Keith Doell, Alt. #1, 2 Yr. Term, Expiring 12/31/15  
Yash Risbud, Alt. #2, Unexp. Term, Expiring 12/31/14  
Councilmember Robert Bicocchi, Class III (Council Liaison)

**14. SWEARING IN OF ALL APPOINTEES**

Councilmember           tenders the motion to accept all appointees noted above. Councilmember seconds the motion. Roll Call:

Mayor Birkner invites all appointees to the dais. Judge Karch administers the Oaths of Office.

**15. APPOINTMENT AND SWEARING IN OF POLICE RESERVES**

Mayor Birkner invites the 2014 Police Reservists to the dais to be administered their Oaths of Office.

Mayo Credle, Capt.	Damon Vincenty
John Brobson, Lt.	Kenroy Morrison
Michael Amoruso, Sgt.	Michael Gil
Donna Heil	Shaun Walsh
Shawn Yates	Elena Pietrocco
Arnold Luna	Joseph Latino
Sgt. Matthew McClutchey, Liaison Officer	

**16. OATHS OF OFFICES, AMBULANCE CORPS OFFICIALS**

Mayor Birkner invites Captain Steve Wolf to the dais to be sworn into office by Judge Karch.

Mayor Birkner invites 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Kevin Brennan and 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Ruth Lang to the dais to be administered their Oaths of Office by Judge Karch.

**17. OATHS OF OFFICE, FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS**

Mayor Birkner invites 2014 Fire Chief James Charles Mawdsley, Deputy Chief James Voorhis, Senior Captain William Haffler, Captain Kevin Woods, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Michael Griffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Brian Kronewitter, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lt. Steven Fatovic and 4<sup>th</sup> Lt. Brian Wicenski to the dais to be administered their Oaths of Office by Judge Karch.

**18. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

a) Presentation to Outgoing Fire Chief JayMee Hodges

b) CERT/CART Graduates

c) Volunteer Emergency Services Hall of Fame:

Mayor Birkner makes the following presentations, Volunteer Fire Department, Volunteer Ambulance Corps. and Police Reserves, in acknowledgement of their induction into the Volunteer Emergency Services Hall of Fame.

Each of these recipients was nominated by their peers in recognition of outstanding service.

**19. MAYOR’S REMARKS**

**20. BENEDICTION**

**21. ADJOURNMENT**

*Agenda subject to change*