

**TOWNSHIP OF BYRAM
COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING
MINUTES -- JANUARY 5, 2016
REGULAR SESSION 7:30 P.M.**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Mayor Oscovitch called the meeting to order.

SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL MEMBERS by Mayor Oscovitch

**David Gray
Nisha Kash
Scott Olson**

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT - Adequate notice of this meeting has been made in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6 by forwarding the annual notice to the New Jersey Herald, posting the agenda on the bulletin board located in the Council Meeting Room and the Township website and by filing same with the Township Clerk.

ROLL CALL OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL – Councilwoman Raffay, here; Councilman Gray, here; Councilman Olson, here; Councilwoman Kash, here; Mayor Oscovitch, here. Also present was Township Manager Joe Sabatini, Attorney Tom Collins and Municipal Clerk Doris Flynn.

FLAG SALUTE

INVOCATION AND MOMENT OF SILENCE by Deacon Rich Bias of St. Michaels Church

SWEARING IN OF BYRAM TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Todd Rudloff – Chief | Mike Pelleck – Assist. Chief |
| Don Dolan – Captain | Greg Matthews - Captain |
| Jim Wintermute Lieut. (absent) | Jack Gallagher – Lieut. |
| Dave Blakley – Lieut. | |
| Larry Putz – President | Mike Sawicki – Vice President |
| Joe Sedivy – Treasurer | |
| Nick Millian – Secretary | |

APPROVAL OF NEW FIRE FIGHTER MEMBER – Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Raffay, to approve John McConnell as a Byram Township Fireman. John McConnell was sworn in by Mayor Oscovitch.

NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR - Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilwoman Raffay to nominate David Gray as Deputy Mayor. David thanked the Council for their support.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | | x | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS FOR 2016

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CLERK – Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilman Olson to appoint Cynthia Church as Deputy Clerk. The Mayor, Scott Olson and Joe Sabatini stated that Cindy has been an asset to the administrative staff and they are sure she will do a great job as Deputy Clerk. The Mayor congratulated Cindy on her promotion and read Resolution No. 29-2016.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | | x | |
| 2nd | | | x | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY – Motion by Councilman Olson, seconded by Councilman David Gray, to appoint Thomas F. Collins, Jr. of Vogel, Chait, Collins and Schneider.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | | x | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR LABOR & NEGOTIATIONS – Motion by Councilwoman Raffay, seconded by Councilman Gray, to appoint Tom Ryan of Laddey, Clark & Ryan.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | x | | | | |
| 2nd | | x | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

BOND COUNSEL - Motion by Councilwoman Kash, seconded by Councilman Olson to appoint Robert H. Beinfield from Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | | x | |
| 2nd | | | x | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER – Motion by Councilman Olson, seconded by Councilwoman Gray, to appoint Cory Stoner of Harold Pellow & Associates.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | | x | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

TOWNSHIP SEWER ENGINEER - Motion by Councilman Gray, seconded by Councilwoman Raffay, to appoint Steve Donati of CP Engineers, LLP.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | x | | | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

TOWNSHIP AUDITOR - Motion by Councilman Gray, seconded by Councilwoman Raffay, to appoint Ray Sarinelli of Nisivoccia, LLP.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | x | | | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

TOWNSHIP PLANNER - Motion by Councilman Olson, seconded by Councilwoman Kash, to appoint Paul Gleitz of L&G Planning.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | x | | | x | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

TOWNSHIP ARCHITECT- Motion by Councilwoman Raffay, seconded by Councilwoman Kash to appoint Tom Kosten of FKA Architects

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Deputy Mayor Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | x | | | | |
| 2nd | | | | x | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

PLANNING BOARD

Motion by Councilwoman Raffay, seconded by Councilman Olson, to appoint John Morytko to a 2 year term as Alternate II.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Deputy Mayor Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | x | | | | |
| 2nd | | | x | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Motion by Councilwoman Kash, seconded by Councilwoman Raffay to reappoint Shawn Armstrong and Dina Trunzo to a three (3) year term and Diana Fleming as Alternate II filling an unexpired 3 year term.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | | x | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

BOARD OF HEALTH – Motion by Councilman Gray, seconded by Councilwoman Kash, to appoint Don Bogardus and William Schenkel to a 4 year term.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | x | | | |
| 2nd | | | | x | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE – Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilman Gray to appoint Michelle Rehse to a three year term.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | x | | | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilwoman Raffay to appoint Scott Olson to a three (3) year term.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Deputy Mayor Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | | x | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

911 COORDINATOR – Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilman Olson to appoint Chief Peter Zabita to a one year term. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

SUSSEX COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL (SWAC) - Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilwoman Raffay to appoint William Koelhoffer to a one year term. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

COUNCIL LIAISONS:

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Recreation Committee | Councilwoman Kash |
| Environmental Commission | Councilman Gray |
| Board of Health | Councilman Gray |
| Board of Education | |
| Lenape Valley | Councilwoman Raffay |
| Byram | Councilwoman Kash |
| EDAC | Councilman Olson |

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION** –The Mayor reappointed Kathleen Parrish as Alternate I to a three (3) year term.
- **ARC COMMITTEE** – Mayor Oscovitch appointed the following members to a one-year term:
 - John Morytko – Planning Board Member
 - Lisa Shimamoto – Planning Board Member
 - Susan Mirz – Public Member
 - Vincent Gallo – Public Member
 - Andrea Proctor – Public Member
 - Eric Serrilli – Public Member
 - Tom Dixon – Township Employee

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT

- Land Subdivision Search Officer – Planning Board Secretary Cheryl White

MAYOR'S ADDRESS – THE YEAR END REVIEW – Mayor Jim Oscovitch thanked everyone for coming out to our reorganization meeting. The Mayor gave the following speech:

Councilwoman Raffay – Congratulated the elected Council members and looks forward to working together in 2016.

Councilman Gray – Thanked all the residents for re-electing him and he looks forward to working together with the Council to serve Byram over the next four years. There are some ordinances that the Township will be introducing in 2016 to help businesses and residents.

Councilman Olson – Scott wished everyone a Happy New Year. He thanked the residents for re-electing him but stated that he was disappointed in the low voter turnout. Scott hopes to see more people involved and be a part of a solution. He highlighted some of the natural resources in our Township and feels with the help of the sustainable economic development grant, Byram will get the recognition it deserves. There are a lot of positive things that will be happening over the next few years, and Scott is happy to be a part of them. Scott announced that it is Joe's 50th birthday on Thursday.

Councilwoman Kash – Thanked all the residents for their support and she is looking forward to serving Byram Township for the next four years. Nisha also thanked her family and friends for their support in helping her. Nisha stated that she is looking forward to restarting the Youth Guidance Council.

Township Manager's Report – Joe wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year and thanked the staff for a very challenging but successful 2015. He is looking forward to working with his staff in 2016. Joe recognized outgoing Chief Rafferty who has been a lifelong resident of Byram and worked in Byram Police Department for over 25 years, and served as Chief since 2005. Joe is looking forward to working with Pete Zabita, who has been appointed provisionally as Police Chief. We anticipate a permanent appointment being done at an upcoming meeting, and he is looking forward to working with Pete. We have gone through some other organizational changes. With Cindy becoming Deputy Clerk, Doris will remain Municipal Clerk and take on an added role of Deputy Manager, and Joe is looking forward to working with Doris in that capacity. Joe is a lifelong resident of Byram and has enjoyed the opportunity to serve the residents. He is looking forward to successfully being part of a new municipal complex for Byram. The existing building has been here since the early 1970's, and is in desperate need of replacement.

The budget must be introduced by March 18 and adopted by April 22. We have been working on the budget since July, and documents can be found on the website. We anticipate introducing on March 1, and adopting on April 5. Joe spoke about the value of our volunteers, and stated that there is a need for several more on our committees – a flyer will be going out in schools and a few other means of communication. If anyone is interested, they can contact Doris Flynn.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION I – Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilman Olson to open to the public. All members were in favor. Motion Carried.

Andrew McElroy, 71 Lynn Drive, congratulated the Council members who were voted in for another term. He also stated that he looks forward to the Byram BOE and the Township continuing to work together.

Joann Smith, 57 Lake Drive, asked if the Township will come through twice for Christmas tree pickup.

Motion by Councilwoman Kash second by Councilwoman Raffay to close to the public. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 12-15-15 Regular Minutes – Motion by Councilman Olson, seconded by Councilwoman Raffay to approve the minutes as presented. All members were in favor. Motion Carried.
- 12-15-15 Closed Session Minutes – Motion by Councilwoman Raffay, seconded by Councilman Olson to approve the minutes as presented. All members were in favor. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA - All are considered to be routine by the Members of the Township Council and will be enacted on by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a citizen or Council member so requests in which event the item may be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilwoman Raffay to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- Resolution No. 1 - 2016 – Resolution Approving Temporary Budget – Current Fund
- Resolution No. 2 – 2016 – Resolution Approving Temporary Budget–Sewer Utility
- Resolution No. 3 - 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Annual Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO) Appointment for Township of Byram – Ashleigh Frueholz
- Resolution No. 4 - 2016 – Resolution Appointing Tax Assessor and Municipal Attorney to Represent the Township of Byram Before the County Board of Taxation for Calendar Year 2016
- Resolution No. 5 - 2016 – Resolution Fixing the Rate of Interest to be Charged on Delinquent Taxes for Calendar Year
- Resolution No. 6 – 2016 – Resolution Designating the Official Newspapers – New Jersey Herald and the New Jersey Sunday Herald
- Resolution No. 7 - 2016 - CTC Shared Services Agreement
- Resolution No. 8 - 2016 – Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Documents Associated with the Custodial Contract with SCARC Inc. for the Byram Township Municipal Building
- Resolution No. 9 - 2016 – Resolution Adopting the 2016 Cash Management Plan
- Resolution No. 10 – 2016 – Resolution Ratifying and Authorizing the Contract for Professional Services to the Land Conservancy of New Jersey
- Resolution No. 11 – 2016 – Resolution Appointing the Fund Commissioner and Alternate Fund Commissioner to the North Jersey Municipal Employee Benefits Fund
- Resolution No. 12 - 2016 - Resolution Appointing Frank Covelli as Health Benefits Consultant
- Resolution No. 13 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing MSI Services, Inc. to Provide Web Site Hosting/Computer Support Services
- Resolution No. 14 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Township Architect – Thomas Kosten of FKA Architects
- Resolution No. 15 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Certain Approved State Contract Vendors for Contracting Units Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7-29
- Resolution No. 16 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing a PSA with Scott J. Holzhauer, CTA, SCGREAA, for State Tax Commercial Appeals
- Resolution No. 17 - 2016 - Resolution Designating Linda A. Roth Tax search Officer for the Township of Byram for 2016
- Resolution No. 18 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing The Chief Financial Officer to Maintain a Petty Cash Fund in the Amount of \$150.00
- Resolution No. 19 – 2016 - Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Legal Counsel – Thomas F. Collins, Jr., Esq., of the law firm of Vogel, Chait, Collins & Schneider
- Resolution No. 20 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Labor Counsel – Thomas Ryan of Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP
- Resolution No. 21 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Bond Counsel – Robert H. Beinfield, Esq. of the law firm Hawkins, Delafield & Wood
- Resolution No. 22 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Township Engineer – Cory Stoner from Harold Pellow & Associates
- Resolution No. 23 - 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Sewer Engineer – CP Engineers, LLC
- Resolution No. 24 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Township Auditor – Raymond Sarinelli of Nisivoccia, LLP
- Resolution No. 25 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Township Planner – Paul Gleitz of L & G Planning, LLC
- Resolution No. 26 – 2016 – Resolution to Cancel Small Balances under \$10.00 on the 2016 Current Tax Levy and Sewer Utility Levy
- Resolution No. 27 – 2016 – Resolution Accepting \$2,500 A Call to Action: Every Body Walk! Collaborative Micro Grant
- Resolution No. 28 - 2016 – Resolution Executing Contract Agreement by and between Byram Township and PBA Local 138 through December 31, 2017
- Resolution No. 30 – 2016 – Appointment of Darren Raymond for Appraisal Services Related to the State Tax Court Residential Appeals
- Resolution No. 31 – 2016 – Resolution Accepting the Memorandum of Understanding By and Between Byram Township and OPEIU 32 Clerical Unit for January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016
- Resolution No. 32 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the 2016 Agreement By and Between Byram Township and Phoenix Advisors, LLC Covering Continuing Disclosure Agent Services and Appointment as Independent Registered Municipal Advisor “Of Record”
- Resolution No. 33 – 2016 – Resolution Authorizing Refund of Redemption Monies to Outside Lien Holder
- Resolution No. 34 – 2016 – Resolution for Redemption of TTL #07-02
- Resolution No. 35 – 2016 – Resolution for Discharge of TTL #03-08
- Resolution No. 36 – 2016 – Resolution for Discharge of TTL #98-03
- Resolution No. 37 – 2016 - Resolution Authorizing Health Benefits Consultant Frank Covelli to Conduct an Analysis of the State Health Benefits Program as a Viable Alternative to Provide the Employee Health Benefits Program

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | | x | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

PROCLAMATION – Radon Action Month – January

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | | | | x | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

BILL LIST – January 5, 2016 – Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilwoman Raffay to approve the bill list as presented.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | | x | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

ORDINANCE – Introduction/1st Reading

- BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance entitled “**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**” be read by title on first reading. Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Raffay to introduce this ordinance.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | x | | | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

BE IT RESOLVED, that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at the meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Byram on January 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 10 Mansfield Drive, Byram Township, at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

- BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance entitled “**Amended Ordinance for Administration & Hourly Positions Salary and Wages for the Years 2013-2016**” be read by title on first reading. Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash to introduce this ordinance. Joe Sabatini stated that the reason this ordinance is being amended is because the Zoning Officer’s hours were increased to 28 hours per week.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | | | | x | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

BE IT RESOLVED, that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at the meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Byram on January 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 10 Mansfield Drive, Byram Township, at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

- BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance entitled “**AMENDED ORDINANCE FOR POLICE SALARY AND WAGES FOR THE YEARS 2016-2017**” be read by title on first reading. Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash to introduce this ordinance.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | | | | x | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

BE IT RESOLVED, that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at the meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Byram on January 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 10 Mansfield Drive, Byram Township, at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION II – Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilwoman Raffay to open to the public. All members were in favor. Motion Carried.

Joann Smith, 57 Lake Drive, asked questions about how Byram decides on the appointments of the professionals. She also asked if the Township considered appointing a Safety Director instead of a Police Chief or considered sharing a Police Chief with another town.

Andrew McElroy, 71 Lynn Drive, commented that he was a Councilman in Netcong several years ago and experienced hiring a Safety Director instead of a Police Chief. There were a lot of problems with that decision and he doesn't recommend it.

Eskil Danielson, 18 Hunters Lane, also commented that a Safety Director would not work in Byram. It could be something that could work in large cities, but not in small towns.

Motion by Councilwoman Kash, second by Councilman Olson to close to the public. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION – Motion by Councilman Gray, second by Councilman Olson, to go into executive session and adopt the below resolution.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P. L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and
 WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Byram, that the public shall be excluded from discussion of the following matters:

- Personnel – Staffing
 - Vehicle Use Policy
 - Employee Handbook
- Anticipated/Pending Litigation - Danielson
- Shared Services
- Attorney Client Privilege Communication
 - General
 - Lakeland Emergency Squad

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Minutes will be kept on file in the Municipal Clerk's office, and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes shall be made public.

BYRAM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Certification: I certify that the Byram Township Council adopted the above resolution on January 5, 2016.

Doris Flynn, Municipal Clerk

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Councilman Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | x | | | |
| 2nd | | | x | | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash to return to open session at 11:05 p.m. All members were in favor. Motion Carried.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE COUNCIL DEEMS NECESSARY

Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash, to direct Joe Sabatini to prepare a draft resolution for next meeting supporting the Lakeland Emergency Squad proposal based on the presentation given on December 22.

| | Councilwoman Raffay | Deputy Mayor Gray | Councilman Olson | Councilwoman Kash | Mayor Oscovitch |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Motion | | | x | | |
| 2nd | | | | x | |
| Yes | x | x | x | x | x |
| No | | | | | |
| Abstain | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | |

The Council discussed and decided on having a budget workshop session prior to the next meeting starting at 6 p.m.

ADJOURN

On the motion of Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Raffay, and with all members in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m. Motion carried.

Doris J. Flynn

James Oscovitch, Mayor