



TOWN OF DOVER

MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 10, 2019 7:00 PM

The Caucus Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held in council chambers, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover, New Jersey.

Mayor Dodd called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

ROLL CALL:

Present: Aldermen Visioli, Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia and Mayor Dodd

Absent: Alderwoman Romaine, Toth, O'Connor

Also present were Administrator Bill Reyes, Town Attorney Partner Yulieika Tamayo and Municipal Clerk Tara Pettoni.

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meeting Law, notification of this meeting has been sent to all officially designated Town newspapers and notice is posted in the Town Hall.

MUNICIPAL CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Received from NJ League of Municipalities—Weekly Update—December 6, 2019
2. Received from the NJDEP—Weekly Update—November 27, 2019
3. Received from the NJDEP—Weekly Update—December 6, 2019

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resolution No. 245-2019—Approving Bills List
2. Resolution No. 246-2019—Approving Taxis
3. Resolution No. 247-2019—Approving a Transfer Resolution
4. Resolution No. 248-2019—Authorizing the Discharge of a Mortgage Under the Rehabilitation Program—148 Brook Drive
5. Resolution No. 249-2019—Authorizing the Discharge of a Mortgage Under the Rehabilitation Program—39 Thompson Avenue
6. Resolution No. 250-2019—Corrective Action Plan

AGENDA ITEMS:

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING

1. None

ORDINANCE(S) FOR SECOND READING

1. None

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution No. 251-2019—Rescinding Resolution No. 241-2019 & Authorizing Re-Vote
2. Resolution No. 252-2019—Salary Resolution
3. Resolution No. 253-2019—Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes Pursuant to Statute for Block 1702 Lot 31
4. Resolution No. 254-2019—Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Ambulance Billing Services

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES PROPOSED BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE INCLUSION ON THE AGENDA

1. NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Three Minutes per Person

Mike Postorino with Revenue Guard made a presentation concerning Ambulance Billing Services. Revenue Guard has over 80 clients and bill on behalf of municipality under insurance laws. The company collects revenue on whatever insurance pays. The amount billed to insurance depends on nature of the call.

The goal is to maximize Client's net revenue, improve regulatory compliance and assist the Client's EMS department as requested. Services shall include pre-billing eligibility services, coding, billing, processing, dunning notices, collection calls to patients and insurance providers, posting and other related tasks.

Osvaldo O'Rama expressed his concerns and asked if salary resolution 252-2019 be tabled till 2020. Mr. O'Rama has no confidence in the resolution and looks shady. He also stated that he supports the new administration.

Robin Kline who resides on Jackson Avenue expressed the salary resolution 252-2019 should be fair, employees earned it.

Linda Dickerson who resides at 57 Second Street had concerns on the salary resolution and the taxes employees would have to pay.

Jim G. who resides in Victory Garden had concerns on the ambulance billing fee schedule, and was this information given to Victory Garden being the Town of Dover has a shared services agreement.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 10, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held in council chambers, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dodd

ROLL CALL:

Present: Aldermen Visioli, Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia and Mayor Dodd

Absent: Romaine, Toth, O'Connor,

Also present were Administrator Bill Reyes, Town Attorney Jarrid Kantor and Municipal Clerk Tara Pettoni.

Municipal Clerk Tara Pettoni stated adequate notice was given to the official newspaper.

1. Resolution No. 245-2019—Approving Bills List
2. Resolution No. 246-2019—Approving Taxis
3. Resolution No. 247-2019—Approving a Transfer Resolution
4. Resolution No. 248-2019—Authorizing the Discharge of a Mortgage Under the Rehabilitation Program—148 Brook Drive
5. Resolution No. 249-2019—Authorizing the Discharge of a Mortgage Under the Rehabilitation Program—39 Thompson Avenue
6. Resolution No. 250-2019—Corrective Action Plan

Alderman Wittner has moved the foregoing resolutions be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Blackman passed by the following roll call vote.

Yays: Aldermen Visioli, Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia and Mayor Dodd

Nays: None

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING

None

ORDINANCE(S) FOR SECOND READING

None

Resolution No. 251-2019—Rescinding Resolution No. 241-2019 & Authorizing Re-Vote

Alderman Wittner has moved the foregoing resolutions be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Quinones passed by the following roll call vote.

Yays: Aldermen Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia

Nays: Aldermen Visioli, Mayor Dodd

Resolution No. 252-2019—Salary Resolution

Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolutions be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Wittner passed by the following roll call vote.

Yays: Aldermen Visioli, Mayor Dodd

Nays: Aldermen Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia

Resolution No. 253-2019—Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes Pursuant to Statute for Block 1702 Lot 31

Alderman Wittner has moved the foregoing resolutions be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Blackman passed by the following roll call vote.

Yays: Aldermen Visioli, Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia and Mayor Dodd

Nays: None

Resolution No. 254-2019—Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Ambulance Billing Services

Alderman Wittner has moved the foregoing resolutions be adopted and duly seconded by Aldermen Quinones passed by the following roll call vote.

Yays: Aldermen Visioli, Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia and Mayor Dodd

Nays: None

Mayor Dodd opened the meeting to the public on any agenda items

Oswaldo O’Rama from 361 E. McFarlan Street Thanked the Mayor who did a lot for the Hispanic, street department is a lot better, and building department is awesome. Mr. O’Rama asked that word on the street was Bill Reyes was jumping ship.

Jim Genone of 15 Franklin Road asked who applies for grant, grant recruitment and retention. He also stated that new Board can address.

Cindy of 44 Livingston Avenue commented that employees work hard, and was concerned that tax implications. She also stated that social media was toxic. She applauded Mayor and that he was treated unfair in social media.

Lisa Newkirk Town employee of 22 years thanked the Mayor and was honored to have worked with him.

Judith Rugg of 28 Audrey Place read a letter concerning the reorganization of 2020. She stated that notice was given for the 2020 meeting to be 1/1/2020 at noon. Thanked the Town, Mayor and Board.

Resident who live on Hillcrest Avenue complained that his water bill was high due to a leak. The policy in place should be revised so that residents be given a warning.

Robin Kline who resides at 49 Jackson Avenue asked about the annual notice. Thanked the Mayor for his service. She stated it was a much better place under the Mayor’s administration. She also Thanked Alderman Visioli. She has seen the Town grow and quality of life get better, administration brought vision forward.

Cain Pope who resides in Roxbury also stated social media problem. He also stated that the salary resolution 252-2019 should be checked so that no one slip through the cracks, it should be fair to all, and it should not be vindictive.

Pastor who resides at 67 Bassett Highway thanked Mayor. As chaplain a bridge was built with families and police. He felt it was successful and hoped that it will continue in the future.

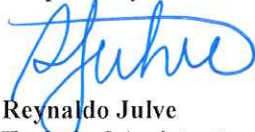
Maria who resides at 82 E Blackwell Street thanked administration for the years and Christmas Park, also thanked the community for the parade.

Mayor Dodd made the motion to adjourn at 8:38 PM and and duly seconded by Alderwoman Wittner passed by the following roll call vote.

Yays: Aldermen Visioli, Blackman, Wittner, Quinones, Valencia and Mayor Dodd

Nays: None

Respectfully submitted,



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