

BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY

SPECIAL MEETING (12:00pm)

July 1, 2012

A Special Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey, was held on the above date in Oaks Hall at Municipal Cabin, 1 Cabin Circle, Medford Lakes, NJ 08055 beginning at 12:00pm. Following the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence (Council and the public observed a moment of silence to honor service men and women defending our country). Clerk Mark McIntosh read the Open Public Meetings Act: pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this special meeting had been provided to the Burlington County Times, posted on the official website and official bulletin board of the Borough of Medford Lakes. Those wishing to be notified for changes to scheduled meetings were notified via email or regular mail.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Mark McIntosh called roll. Councilman Thomas J. Cranston, Councilman Elect Gary A. Miller, Councilman Elect Jeffrey Fitzpatrick, Councilman Robert D. Hanold, Sr. and Councilman Elect Robert J. Burton answered in attendance. Also present were Manager Julie Horner – Keizer and Clerk Mark J. McIntosh.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

Clerk McIntosh certified the results of the May 8, 2012 Election.

ADMINISTRATION OATH OF OFFICE

Clerk McIntosh administered the Oath of Office to Councilman Elect Miller, Councilman Elect Fitzpatrick and Councilman Elect Burton.

ELECTION OF MAYOR BY BALLOT

Clerk McIntosh distributed/collected paper ballots to Council. Council elected unanimously Councilman Cranston to be Mayor.

Clerk McIntosh administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Cranston.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR BY BALLOT

Clerk McIntosh distributed/collected paper ballots to Council. Council elected unanimously Councilman Hanold to be Deputy Mayor.

Clerk McIntosh administered the Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Hanold

Clerk McIntosh turned the meeting over to Mayor Cranston.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Cranston thanked everyone for attending. He stated that much had been accomplished in the last two years and looked forward to accomplishing more in the next two. He thanked all the Department Heads, employees and volunteers who work tirelessly for the residents and Council. He commented on the fiscal stability of the Borough. He discussed his family history and expressed his deepest thankfulness to his wife for her steadfast support of his work on Council.

Deputy Mayor Hanold thanked Council for electing him to his new position. He expressed his enjoyment of his first two years and looking forward to the next two. He thanked his wife for all the support and sacrifice she makes that enables him to serve. He also thanked Mayor Gregory C. Lackey for his service to the community and his leadership.

Councilman Burton noted that as the "new guy" he can only hope that he is able to contribute to the success of the prior Council. He thanked Mayor Lackey for his service to the residents and thanked his family for their support from the beginning when he started the process of getting on Council.

Councilman Fitzpatrick stated that the last two years have been remarkable and rewarding. He has solidified many friendships and noted the many accomplishments that Borough has benefited from. He expressed his appreciation to his fellow Councilman and the employees for continuing to create the same opportunities for the residents of Medford Lakes that he has enjoyed since his childhood.

Councilman Miller stated that serving the Borough has been an utter joy. He said that the Borough of Medford Lakes is the best municipality in the State if not the country and is so very family oriented. He said that the department heads are outstanding and the attitude of all the employees is a huge asset to the Borough. He is looking forward to working with his fellow Council members as they tackle various issues facing the Borough and he noted the excellent service that Mayor Lackey provided to the residents and his fellow Councilman.

RESOLUTIONS

Councilman Fitzpatrick introduced resolution number 96-12, seconded by Councilman Miller.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 96-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY, CONFIRMING THE ELECTION OF THE MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:81-7 provides that the members of municipal council shall assemble on July 1st following a municipal election, whereupon they shall elect one of their members as mayor; and,

WHEREAS, a majority of Council Members have by ballot voted for the election of **Thomas J. Cranston** as Mayor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, County of Burlington, New Jersey, that the results of the balloting are hereby reduced to writing confirming the election of **Thomas J. Cranston** as Mayor of the Borough of Medford Lakes to serve as provided by law.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote

VOTE TO ADOPT

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Deputy Mayor Robert D. Hanold, Sr.			X			
Councilman Gary A. Miller		X	X			
Councilman Jeffrey Fitzpatrick	X		X			
Councilman Robert J. Burton			X			

Mayor Cranston introduced resolution number 97-12, seconded by Councilman Burton.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 97-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY, CONFIRMING THE ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:81-7 provides that the members of municipal council shall assemble on July 1st following a municipal election, whereupon they shall elect one of their members as Deputy Mayor; and,

WHEREAS, a majority of Council Members have by ballot voted for the election of Robert D. Hanold, Sr. as Deputy Mayor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, County of Burlington, New Jersey, that the results of the balloting are hereby reduced to writing confirming the election of Robert D. Hanold, Sr. as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Medford Lakes to serve as provided by law.’

Mayor Cranston called for the vote

VOTE TO ADOPT

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston	X		X			
Deputy Mayor Robert D. Hanold, Sr.			X			
Councilman Gary A. Miller			X			
Councilman Jeffrey Fitzpatrick			X			
Councilman Robert J. Burton		X	X			

Deputy Mayor Hanold introduced resolution number 98-12, seconded by Mayor Cranston.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 98-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY, DIVIDING BOROUGH GOVERNMENT INTO DEPARTMENTS AND DESIGNATING MEMBERS OF BOROUGH COUNCIL TO CHAIR COMMITTEES OVERSEEING SAID DEPARTMENTS

WHEREAS, it is desirable for the conduct of its business to organize Council into Departmental standing committees and designating a Member of Council as Chairperson of each Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, County of Burlington, New Jersey, that the same is hereby organized as follows:

1. **Thomas J. Cranston** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Robert D. Hanold, Sr.** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Administration, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over all financial matters including the assessment and collection of Taxes, both current and delinquent, the funds of the Borough, and custody and investment of same, and all matters of insurance coverage.
2. **Gary A. Miller** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Robert D. Hanold, Sr.** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Public Works, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over roads, highways, dams and the maintenance/cleaning and drainage thereof; the collection of rubbish and garbage and the maintenance of all equipment used in and necessary to said Department and all municipally owned property, including maintenance and repairs to the same, and in all matters pertaining to the operation and maintenance of the municipally owned sewerage treatment plant and the sewer mains and extensions thereof.
3. **Jeffrey Fitzpatrick** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Gary A. Miller** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Public Safety, Health and Welfare, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over matters pertaining to: Police, Fire, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management, and the local Board of Health.
4. **Robert J. Burton** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Thomas J. Cranston** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Colony Relations, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over matters pertaining to relations with the Medford Lakes Colony.
5. **Robert J. Burton** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Jeffrey Fitzpatrick** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on School relations, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over matters pertaining to relations with the Medford Lakes Board of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the jurisdiction and actions of the Chairpersons and Deputy Chairpersons of the various Committees overseeing the various Departments be and they hereby are made subject at all times to control, supervision and veto of Borough Council acting as a whole; it being the intent of this resolution that the Chairpersons and Deputy Chairpersons of the various Departments act primarily in an advisory capacity to expedite the transaction of the business of Council as a whole in its complete control and supervision over the affairs of the municipality.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote

VOTE TO ADOPT

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston		X	X			
Deputy Mayor Robert D. Hanold, Sr.	X		X			
Councilman Gary A. Miller			X			
Councilman Jeffrey Fitzpatrick			X			
Councilman Robert J. Burton			X			

Deputy Mayor Hanold introduced resolution number 99-12, seconded by Councilman Fitzpatrick.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 99-12

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A NJDOT GRANT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Medford Lakes desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation through the Transportation Enhancement Program to provide funding for the Lake Mishe Mokwa Dam Pedestrian Walkway and Hiawatha Trail Project; and

WHEREAS, the project will greatly enhance the quality of life, and pedestrian safety; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of Medford Lakes, formally approves the grant application for the above stated project and further certifies that the Borough of Medford Lakes will make adequate provisions for the operation and maintenance of the project for the useful life of the improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Medford Lakes for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Medford Lakes and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Manager Horner – Keizer explained the Grant and the application process.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote

VOTE TO ADOPT

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Deputy Mayor Robert D. Hanold, Sr.	X		X			
Councilman Gary A. Miller			X			
Councilman Jeffrey Fitzpatrick		X	X			
Councilman Robert J. Burton			X			

PUBLIC COMMENT #1

Mayor Cranston opened the meeting for public comment.

Bob McGowan of Cochise Circle congratulated all of the candidates and both newly elected Mayor and Deputy Mayor. He stated that he has been a big fan of the previous five-member Council and looks forward to the continued success of this Council. He made a special recognition of Mayor Cranston’s guidance on assisting Borough Administration on financial matters.

Councilman Miller thanked Mr. McGowan for his kind words and noted that compliments from him given his experience in the military and as Deputy Administrator and Finance Officer at Buttonwood Hospital was appreciated.

Hearing no further comment, Mayor Cranston closed public comment.

Councilman Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hanold.

Vote to adjourn

Yeas – Cranston, Hanold, Miller, Fitzpatrick, Burton

Nays – None

Meeting Adjourned