

**MINUTES OF REORGANIZATION MEETING**  
**January 5, 2026**  
**4:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Thomas Seeley, Esq, with the following statement. “Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act by notifying the Daily Journal on December 24, 2025 and posting a copy on the Clerk’s Bulletin Board.

At this time John Tisa was sworn in as Committeeman by Senator Michael Testa.

Mr. Seeley called for the nomination of Mayor. Committeeman Bowman nominated John Tisa for the position of Mayor. There being no further nominations forthcoming nominations were then closed. On motion of Committeeman Bowman, seconded by Committeeman Miletta to approve the nomination of John Tisa to the position of Mayor was unanimously carried.

Mr. Seeley then called for the nomination of Deputy Mayor. Mayor Tisa nominated Joe Miletta to the position of Deputy Mayor. There being no further nominations forthcoming nominations were then closed. On motion of Mayor Tisa, seconded by Committeeman Bowman to approve the nomination of Joe Miletta as Deputy Mayor, unanimously carried.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Tisa.

Roll Call: Mayor Tisa, Committeeman Bowman, Deputy Mayor Miletta. Also present- Tom Seeley, Township Solicitor and Lisa Garrison, Township Clerk

**Consent Agenda**

On motion of Committeeman Bowman, seconded by Mayor Tisa to approve the consent agenda, unanimously carried.

- Resolution No. 2026-1 – Setting Meeting Dates
- Resolution No. 2026-2 – Setting Interest and Penalty on Property Taxes
- Resolution No. 2026-3 – A of Legal Newspapers
- Resolution No. 2026-4 – Designation of Official Depositories for 2026
- Resolution No. 2026-5 – Approval for Purchases over \$1,000
- Resolution No. 2026-6 – Authorizing the Cancellation and/or Transfer of Overpayments in the Amount of Less than \$10,00
- Resolution No. 2026-7 – 2026 Temporary Budget
- Resolution No. 2026-8 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Township Auditor
- Resolution No 2026-9 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Municipal Attorney
- Resolution No. 2026-10 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Animal Control Services
- Resolution No. 2026-11 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Insurance Services
- Resolution No. 2026-12 – Resolution Appointing South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter to Provide Animal Shelter Services for the Township of Lawrence

Resolution No. 2026-13 – Cash Management Plan  
Resolution No. 2026-14 – Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer  
Resolution No. 2026-15 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Grant Services  
Resolution No. 2026-16 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Township Engineer  
Resolution No. 2026-17 – Resolution Authorizing an Agreement By and Between the Cumberland Development Corporation and the Township of Lawrence

**Old Business** – None

**New Business** - None

**Committee Comments:** Mayor Tisa thanked everyone and indicated he was proud of the Committee and the town.

**Public Comments:** On motion of Committeeman Bowman, seconded by Mayor Tisa to open the public comment, unanimously carried. Sheriff Donado congratulated both Mayor Tisa and Deputy Mayor Miletta. He indicated that the Sheriff's department has been proactive in the County and that the annual Fishing Derby will continue. He further indicated that the Sheriff's department will continue to have a presence in the township. He requested to be contacted with any needs the Committee may have. Mary Ellen Walker, 404 Main Street, thanked Sheriff Donado for his officer's presence during Trick or Treat. Freeholder Sauro offered his congratulations. He indicated he was excited to work with the Township. He advised to contact his if needed. He wished the Township Committee a great 2026. Joe Condo, Estell Manor, offered his congratulations. Steve Miletta also offered his congratulations. Committeeman Bowman indicated that Mayor Tisa had picked up the ball this past year and between himself and Mayor Tisa everything went well. There being no further public comment, on motion of Mayor Tisa, seconded by Committeeman Bowman to close the public comment, unanimously carried.

**Adjournment** - On motion of Committeeman Bowman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Miletta to adjourn, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Garrison, Clerk