

BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE  
REORGANIZATION MEETING  
January 1, 2012



*“Mayor Gallagher & the Borough Council wish you and your family a very  
Happy and Healthy New Year!”*

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**BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE  
ANNUAL  
REORGANIZATION MEETING**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2012  
12:00 NOON

SOMERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL  
AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: CORNER OF DAVENPORT STREET & ORCHARD STREET

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**1. "AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL"**

All music throughout the program performed by: Josh Clarkson, Kristin Ferrer, Ian Gallagher, Daniel Schirripa and Suzanne You under the direction of Stephen Loreti.

**2. INVOCATION:**

REGGIE L. HALL, SR., PASTOR  
ST. PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH

**3. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW: KEVIN SLUKA**

**4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**5. RECOGNITION OF SOMERVILLE ARMED FORCES PERSONNEL:**

**6. NATIONAL ANTHEM:**

**7. 2011 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD:**

Presented by Mayor Gallagher

**8. OATH OF OFFICE – MAYOR BRIAN G. GALLAGHER**

HOLDING BIBLE: Lisa Gallagher (Wife)

JOINING ON DAIS: Brian, Jr., Annie, Ian, Brendan, Maura

**9. OATH OF OFFICE FOR COUNCIL: AMANDA O'NEILL**

HOLDING BIBLE: Sean O'Neill (Husband)

JOINING ON DAIS: Children: Hailey, Madelyn, Sean, JP, Ryan,  
Parents: Shelley & David

**10. OATH OF OFFICE FOR COUNCIL: NICHOLAS STIRES**

HOLDING BIBLE: Cathy Stires (Mother)

JOINING ON DAIS: Father: Peter  
Sister: Angela

**11. CALL OF ROLL FOR 2012 MAYOR & COUNCIL** KEVIN SLUKA  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

**12. ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT:**

**13. STATE OF THE BOROUGH ADDRESS:** BRIAN GALLAGHER

**14. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES** (chair listed first)

PUBLIC WORKS	TOM MITCHELL/ NICK STIRES
POLICE	ROB WILSON/ JANE KOBUTA
FIRE	NICK STIRES/ ROB WILSON
PUBLIC PROPERTY	AMANDA O'NEILL/ DENNIS SULLIVAN
FINANCE	DENNIS SULLIVAN / TOM MITCHELL
ADMIN/PERSONNEL	JANE KOBUTA / AMANDA O'NEILL

**15. COUNCIL LIAISONS FOR 2011:**

**NICK STIRES**

Fire Police	TMA Ridewise
Somerset Medical Center	Regional Center
Recycling	By-Laws Committee
Emergency Management	First Aid & Rescue Squad

**AMANDA O'NEILL**

Board of Health	Recreation
Accident Review Committee	CDBG
Animal Shelter	

**JANE KOBUTA**

Somerville TV	DSA/SBPA
Raritan River Greenways	Library
Landfill Development Committee	

**THOMPSON MITCHELL**

Parking & Traffic	West End Redevelopment
SRVSA	Historic Advisory Committee
Environmental Commission	NJ Transit Railroad Coalition

**DENNIS SULLIVAN**

Board of Education	East End Redevelopment
By-Laws Committee	Veterans Association
Somerset County Freeholders	Human Relations
Kirby Area Redevelopment Committee	

**ROBERT WILSON**

Fire Museum	Municipal Court
Emergency Services Facilities	West End Redevelopment
East End Redevelopment	Landfill Development Committee
Code Enforcement	

**16. APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS BY MAYOR:**

(Consent of Council not required)

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	4 years	12/31/15 (Class1)
Lisa Yates	4 years	12/31/15 (Class IV)
Ken Utter	4 years	12/31/12 (Alternate 1)
Larry Cleveland	2 years	12/31/13 (Class II)
Dr. Richard Goldsmith	2 years	12/31/13 (Alternate 2)

**17. APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS BY COUNCIL:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/12 (Class III)

**18. APPOINTMENT BY MAYOR: (CONSENT OF COUNCIL)  
APPOINTMENT OF FIRE APPARATUS DRIVERS:**

CENTRAL HOOK & LADDER:	TODD STARNER
LINCOLN HOSE:	ADRIAN MERCIER
ENGINE COMPANY No. #1	BRIAN ISELIN
WEST END HOSE COMPANY No. # 3	BARRY VAN HORN
ENGINE (2) WEST END RESERVE	GARY FALK

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Art Adair	4 years	12/31/15
Teena Utter	2 years	12/31/13 (Alternate 1)

**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Teena Utter	5 year	12/31/16
Carol Brady	5 year	12/31/16
Tom Conway	1 year	12/31/12 (Superintendent Rep.)
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/12

**BOARD OF HEALTH:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Ken McCormick	3 years	12/31/14
Kim Sorace	3 years	12/31/14

**RECREATION COMMISSION:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
John Scott	5 year	12/31/16
Michael Zolandz	5 year	12/31/16

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Roberta Harmon	3 years	12/31/14	
Tom Affenorde	3 years	12/31/14	
Harry James	3 years	12/31/14	
Diana Rehborn	2 years	12/31/13	(Alternate 1)

**DOWNTOWN SOMERVILLE ALLIANCE: BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Ann Marie Woodward	3 years	12/31/14	(Proprietor)
Michael Tarentino	3 years	12/31/14	(Resident)
Ron Aulenbach	3 years	12/31/14	(Property owner)
Rick St. Pierre	3 years	12/31/14	(Property owner)
Pat Mannion	3 years	12/31/13	(Property owner – unexpired term)
Robert Petix	3 years	12/31/12	(Proprietor – unexpired term)
Steve Peter	3 years	12/31/12	(Resident – unexpired term)

**REGIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Mary Ann Ferrante	1 year	12/31/12	
Ellen Brain	1 year	12/31/12	(Alternate)

**PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Danyel Frankel	1 year	12/31/12	
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/12	
Paul Sanford	1 year	12/31/12	
Mark Butler	1 year	12/31/12	(Police Rep.)
Rich Reitman	1 year	12/31/12	
Sean Decker	1 year	12/31/12	
Kris Williams	1 year	12/31/12	
John Kyle Moody	1 year	12/31/12	
Pat Mannion	1 year	12/31/12	(DSA Rep.)

**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Art Adair	1 year	12/31/12	
Andrea Adair	1 year	12/31/12	
Brian Bakes	1 year	12/31/12	
William Boes	1 year	12/31/12	
Vivian Gleason	1 year	12/31/12	
Wayne Harmer	1 year	12/31/12	
Charles Jones	1 year	12/31/12	
Robyn Key	1 year	12/31/12	
Pam Krachun	1 year	12/31/12	
Alyson Meyer	1 year	12/31/12	
Maggie Navatto	1 year	12/31/12	
Lorraine Patel	1 year	12/31/12	
Brenda Pateman	1 year	12/31/12	
Dan Puntillo	1 year	12/31/12	
Amanda Rivers	1 year	12/31/12	
Patricia Sapp	1 year	12/31/12	
Shirley Sibilila	1 year	12/31/12	
Mike Stitley	1 year	12/31/12	
Susan Kamins	1 year	12/31/12	(County Rep.)
Ronnie Weiner	1 year	12/31/12	(County Rep.)

**LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Brian Gallagher	4 years	12/31/15	(existing app't)
Michael Stitley	3 years	12/31/14	(existing app't)
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/12	(Police Rep.)
John Proskura	1 year	12/31/12	
Frank McAleavy	1 year	12/31/12	
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/12	
Gregg Sheats	1 year	12/31/12	(Fire Rep.)
Gary Falk	1 year	12/31/12	
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/12	
Dan Puntillo	1 year	12/31/12	
Steve Weinman	1 year	12/31/12	(Squad Rep.)
Ken Cornell	1 year	12/31/12	
Peter Hendershot	1 year	12/31/12	
Joseph Bakes	1 year	12/31/12	(Media Rep.)
Herb Hall	1 year	12/31/12	
Kathy Price	1 year	12/31/12	
Ken Utter	1 year	12/31/12	
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/12	

**SOMERSET COUNTY RECYCLING COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Peter Hendershot	1 year	12/31/12

**SOMERSET COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC):**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Peter Hendershot	1 year	12/31/12 (Mayor's recommendation)
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/12 (Council Recommendation)

**SOMERSET COUNTY BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/12
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/12 (Alternate 1)
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/12 (Alternate 2)

**N. J. TRANSIT R.R./ RARITAN VALLEY RAILROAD COALITION:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Thompson Mitchell	1 year	12/31/12
Larry Doyle	1 year	12/31/12

**ACCIDENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/12
James Sommerville	1 year	12/31/12
Peter Hendershot	1 year	12/31/12
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/12
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/12
Tom Genova	1 year	12/31/12
Steve Weinman	1 year	12/31/12
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/12
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/12

**SOMERVILLE FIRE POLICE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
John Hulsizer	1 year	12/31/12
Joe Byer	1 year	12/31/12
Eligh Harrell	1 year	12/31/12
Robert Bryant	1 year	12/31/12
Peter Fusco	1 year	12/31/12
Kent Buchanan	1 year	12/31/12
Kevin Buchanan	1 year	12/31/12
Leroy Van Ness	1 year	12/31/12
Alvin Falk	1 year	12/31/12
Greg Jobin	1 year	12/31/12
Sean Decker	1 year	12/31/12

**HISTORIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Phil Decker	1 year	12/31/12
Jennifer Young	1 year	12/31/12
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/12
James Sommerville	1 year	12/31/12
Herb Hall	1 year	12/31/12
Robert Barth	1 year	12/31/12
Shirley Gurisic	1 year	12/31/12
Jadusingh Martin	1 year	12/31/12
Cynthia Crothers	1 year	12/31/12
Susan Smith- Peter	1 year	12/31/12

**RARITAN RIVER GREENWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/12
Joseph Pidany	1 year	12/31/12

**UPPER RARITAN WASTEWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Pete Hendershot	1 year	12/31/12
Thomas Auffenorde	1 year	12/31/12

**LANDFILL REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/12
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/12
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/12
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/12

**WEST END REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/12
Tom Mitchell	1 year	12/31/12
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/12
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/12

**EAST END REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/12
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/12
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/12
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/12

**KIRBY AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/12
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/12
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/12
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/12

**REGIONAL CENTER PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/12
Phil Decker	1 year	12/31/12
Rick St. Pierre	1 year	12/31/12

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/12
Richard Close	1 year	12/31/12

**FIRE MUSEUM RESTORATION COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Bobby Lynn	1 year	12/31/12
Tom Sutphen	1 year	12/31/12
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/12
Rich O'Neill	1 year	12/31/12
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/12
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/12
Jim Sutphen	1 year	12/31/12
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/12
Phil Decker	1 year	12/31/12
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/12
Gregg Sheats	1 year	12/31/12

**EMERGENCY SERVICES FACILITIES COMMITTEE:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/12
Frank McAleavy	1 year	12/31/12
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/12
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/12
Robert Lynn, Jr.	1 year	12/31/12
Steve Weinman	1 year	12/31/12
Marc Pelligrino	1 year	12/31/12
Greg Sorace	1 year	12/31/12
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/12
Richard O'Neill	1 year	12/31/12
Mike Stitley	1 year	12/31/12
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/12
Gregg Sheats	1 year	12/31/12

**SOMERVILLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE:**

Herb Hall	1 year	12/31/12
Michael Halperin	1 year	12/31/12
Stephanie Hayes	1 year	12/31/12
Ken Cornell	1 year	12/31/12
Jeff Carlson	1 year	12/31/12
Jim Balzano	1 year	12/31/12
Paul Taubman	1 year	12/31/12
Robert Barth	1 year	12/31/12
Shirley Gurisic	1 year	12/31/12

**SOMERSET COUNTY CULTURAL & HERITAGE COMMISSION:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/12

**SUSTAINABLE JERSEY COMMITTEE**

Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/12
Teena Utter	1 year	12/31/12

**SOMERSET COUNTY COMMISSION ON WOMEN:**

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/12

## **19. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

## **20. CONSENT RESOLUTIONS (12-0101-001 THRU 12-0101-024)**

### **12-0101-001 Establishing 2012 Meeting Procedure**

*Description: the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays are regular meetings except that we will have meetings on Tuesdays if the preceding Monday is a Holiday.*

### **12-0101-002 Designating Official Newspapers**

*Description: Identifying the Courier News as the official newspaper and in cases where two newspapers are needed the Star Ledger shall be the 2<sup>nd</sup> official newspaper.*

### **12-0101-003 Filing Signature with Secretary of State**

*Description: Pursuant to state statute the Municipal Clerk is authorized to distribute the Mayor's signature and municipal seal upon request of the Secretary of State.*

### **12-0101-004 Adopting 2012 Holiday Schedule**

*Description: establishing the holiday schedule that Borough operations are closed.*

### **12-0101-005 Authorizing Disbursement of Funds for Hospitalization and State Health Benefits prior to Council Approval**

*Description: Allows the CFO to make payments to the State of NJ Electronic Payment System at which time bills are received.*

### **12-0101-006 Authorizing Signature**

*Description: Allowing the Mayor & Council President to sign checks & other documents*

### **12-0101-007 Establishing Interest Rate on Delinquent Taxes**

*Description: 8% per annum on first \$1,500 and 18% on excess of \$1,500 of the delinquency. Any taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000 will also be charged a penalty.*

### **12-0101-008 Establishing Interest Rate on Delinquent Sewer Use Taxes**

*Description: 8% per annum on first \$1,500 and 18% on excess of \$1,500 of the delinquency.*

### **12-0101-009 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Wire Transfer Funds for Investment and Payment of Capital Debt**

*Description: Allows CFO to wire funds for investment of surplus funds throughout the year.*

### **12-0101-010 Appointing 2012 Officials and Employees**

*Description: Identifies the position being held by municipal employees and consulting personnel.*

### **12-0101-011 Adopting Policy and Procedure Manual**

*Description: the manual has been updated and will continue to be updated. Establishes rules and regulations for municipal employees.*

**12-0101-012 Sewer Utility Temporary Budget-2012**

*Description allows for 25% of the 2011 budget to be appropriated to initiate activity for the 2012 year until the 2012 budget is passed.*

**12-0101-013 Downtown Somerville Alliance Temporary Budget-2012**

*Description allows for 25% of the 2011 budget to be appropriated to initiate activity for the 2012 year until the 2011 budget is passed.*

**12-0101-014 Authorizing Appropriations to Cover Debt Service Requirements from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012**

*Description: The temporary budget resolution allows for current fund obligations to be paid. This resolution allows for debt service to be paid.*

**12-0101-015 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Accounting Services (Auditor)- Suplee, Clooney & Company**

**12-0101-016 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Special Counsel for Redevelopment Projects-DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP.**

**12-0101-017 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Bond Counsel – Gibbons, P.C.**

**12-0101-018 Establishing 2012 Current Fund Temporary Budget**

*Description: Allows the Borough to initiate operations prior to adoption of budget.*

**12-0101-019 Authorizing Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services Contract with Driver Associates for Redevelopment Consulting Services to serve as Director of Economic Development**

**12-0101-020 Approving a Solicitor & Information Booth for Somerville St, Patrick's Day Parade Inc., on March 11, 2012**

**12-0101-021 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Environmental Services to GeoSyntec Consultants**

**12-0101-022 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Planning & Engineering Services to Cole & Associates**

**12-0101-023 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Legal Services to Pidgeon & Pidgeon. PC**

**12-0101-024 Authorizing Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services Contract with Genova insurance Agency to serve as Risk Manager**

**21. BILLS & VOUCHERS**

**22. BENEDICTION**

REGGIE L. HALL, SR., PASTOR  
ST. PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH

**27. ADJOURNMENT**

**28. "GOD BLESS AMERICA"**

*Everyone is invited to a reception at Lincoln Hose Company on Warren Street for light food and refreshments.*

*And we urge all of you to visit [www.somervillenj.org](http://www.somervillenj.org) and subscribe to e-connect for all your local government needs and notices.*