

**BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE
REORGANIZATION MEETING**

January 1, 2015



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**BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE ANNUAL
REORGANIZATION MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 2015
12:00 NOON**

**SOMERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
CORNER OF DAVENPORT STREET & ORCHARD STREET**

1. OPENING SONG SHILOH PENTECOSTAL CHURCH CHOIR
Michelle Green, Vanessa Green, Ashley Webster, Suzette Sanders
Kevin Proctor, Pastor Sidney Webster, Rev. Jeff Clyburn, Lori McNeil
Musicians: Akene Dunkley and Jarrett Sutton

2. TOWN CRIER: DAVID LANG
 3. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR: EDNA ALLENA, FORMER COUNCILWOMAN
 4. INVOCATION: PASTOR LORENO FLEMMINGS
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 5. RECOGNITION OF SOMERVILLE ARMED FORCES PERSONNEL
 6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: PETE ROETHKE, United States Army
Command Sergeant Major, Retired
 7. NATIONAL ANTHEM:
Arranged by: Chris M. Bernotas
Brass Ensemble conducted by: Meredith Sullivan Boyan
Trumpet: Alex Giardina, Matt Krempasky; Horn: Kathy Giardina, Gary Smith; Trombone:
Tess Giardina, Jeff Smith; Euphonium: Mark Osman;
Tuba: Jonathan Clymer
 8. ADDRESS BY CONGRESSMAN LANCE
 9. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW: KEVIN SLUKA, RMC
 10. OATH OF OFFICE FOR COUNCIL: DENNIS SULLIVAN
Holding Bible: Heather Sullivan (daughter) &
Adam Sullivan Gruber (grandson)
Oath administered by Kevin Sluka, Clerk-Administrator
 11. OATH OF OFFICE FOR COUNCIL: AMANDA O'NEILL
Holding Bible: Madelyn O'Neill (daughter)
On Stage: Sean (husband), Sean, JP, Ryan (sons)
Oath administered by Assemblywoman Donna M. Simon
 12. CALL OF ROLL FOR 2015 MAYOR & COUNCIL: KEVIN SLUKA
 13. ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT: (JANE KOBUTA)
 14. 2014 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD:
Presented by Mayor Gallagher
 15. STATE OF THE BOROUGH ADDRESS: BRIAN GALLAGHER, MAYOR
 16. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES: (chair listed first)
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| PUBLIC WORKS | AMANDA O'NEILL / JANE KOBUTA |
| POLICE | ROB WILSON / KEN UTTER |
| FIRE | KEN UTTER / ROB WILSON |
| PUBLIC PROPERTY | TOM MITCHELL / DENNIS SULLIVAN |
| FINANCE | DENNIS SULLIVAN / TOM MITCHELL |
| ADMIN/PERSONNEL | JANE KOBUTA / AMANDA O'NEILL |
17. COUNCIL LIAISONS FOR 2015:
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| JANE KOBUTA | | |
| West End Redevelopment | Raritan River Greenways | |
| Library | Landfill Development Committee | |
| Workplace Diversity Task Force | | |
| THOMPSON MITCHELL | | |
| Recycling | TMA Ridewise | |
| SRVSA | Environmental Commission | |
| NJ Transit Railroad Coalition | | |
| AMANDA O'NEILL | | |
| Board of Health | Recreation | |
| Accident Review Committee | CDBG | |
| NJ Transit Railroad Coalition | Municipal Alliance & Youth Services | Complete |
| Streets | | |
| DENNIS SULLIVAN | | |
| Board of Education | East End Redevelopment | |
| By-Laws Committee | Veterans Association | |
| Somerset County Freeholders | Human Relations | |

Historic Advisory Committee
Kirby Area Redevelopment Committee

KEN UTTER
Fire Police
Landfill Committee
Emergency Management
Complete Streets

Somerset Medical Center
First Aid & Rescue Squad
Regional Center Partnership

DSA/SBPA

ROBERT WILSON
Fire Museum
Emergency Services Facilities
East End Redevelopment
West End Redevelopment

Municipal Court
Code Enforcement
Somerville TV
Kirby Area Redevelopment Committee

18. APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS BY MAYOR:
(Consent of Council not required)

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Larry Cleveland	2 year	12/31/16 (Environmental Rep)
Philip Decker	4 year	12/31/18 (Class IV)
Christopher Adickes	2 year	12/31/16 (Alternate 1)
Bernie Navatto	4 year	12/31/18 (Class IV)
Richard O'Neill	4 year	12/31/18 (Class IV)

19. APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS BY COUNCIL:
(Requires motion and vote)

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15

20. APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT BY COUNCIL:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Steve Peter	2 year	12/31/16 (Alternate1)
Ellen Brian	4 year	12/31/18
Morgan McLachlan	4 year	12/31/18
Jeffrey Carlson	4 year	12/31/18

21. DOWNTOWN SOMERVILLE ALLIANCE: BOARD OF TRUSTEES BY COUNCIL:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Anne Marie Woodward	3 year	12/31/17 (Proprietor)
Robert Petix	3 year	12/31/17 (Resident)
Ron Aulenbach	3 year	12/31/15 (Property Owner)
Rick St. Pierre	3 year	12/31/15 (Property Owner)

22. APPOINTMENT BY MAYOR: (CONSENT OF COUNCIL)

APPOINTMENT OF FIRE APPARATUS DRIVERS:

CENTRAL HOOK & LADDER:	TODD STARNER
LINCOLN HOSE:	JIM COOKINGHAM
ENGINE COMPANY No.1	FERNANDO FRANCO
WEST END HOSE COMPANY No.3	BARRY VAN HORN
ENGINE (2) WEST END RESERVE	TOM FERRIS

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Lori McNeil	5 year	12/31/19
Gary Lazo	5 year	12/31/16 (filling unexpired term)
Timothy Purnell	1 year	12/31/15 (Sup't appointment)
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15

BOARD OF HEALTH:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Ken McCormick	3 year	12/31/17
Kim Sorace	3 year	12/31/17

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Timothy Hayes	3 year	12/31/17
Harry James Jr.	3 year	12/31/17
Kathy Hughes	3 year	12/31/17

COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
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Ronald Czajkowski	1 year	12/31/15
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MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE & YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Shirley Sibilia	1 year	12/31/15
Rose Jean-Baptiste	1 year	12/31/15
Theresa Bonner	1 year	12/31/15
Leigh McLachlan	1 year	12/31/15

FIRE POLICE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Kent Buchanan	1 year	12/31/15
Greg Jobin	1 year	12/31/15
Joseph Byer	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Bryant	1 year	12/31/15
Eligh Harrell	1 year	12/31/15
Peter Fusco	1 year	12/31/15

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Brian Gallagher	4 years	12/31/15	
Steve Weinman	3 years	11/30/17	
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15	(Police Rep.)
Frank McAleavy	1 year	12/31/15	
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/15	
Robert Lynn	1 year	12/31/15	(Fire Rep.)
Gary Falk	1 year	12/31/15	
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15	
James Barry	1 year	12/31/15	(Squad Rep.)
Ken Cornell	1 year	12/31/15	
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15	
Herb Hall	1 year	12/31/15	
Scott Strivanek	1 year	12/31/15	
Ken Utter	1 year	12/31/15	
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/15	

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Michael Halperin	1 year	12/31/15
Fred Picchiello	1 year	12/31/15
Lou Sassa	1 year	12/31/15
Beth Anne McDonald	1 year	12/31/15
Joseph Bakes	1 year	12/31/15
Mike Lapotasky	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERSET COUNTY RECYCLING COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERSET COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC):

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15 (Mayor's recommendation)
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15 (Council Recommendation)

SOMERSET COUNTY BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15	
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15	(Alternate 1)
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/15	(Alternate 2)

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

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Thompson Mitchell	1 year	12/31/15
Amanda O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15

ACCIDENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
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Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Lynn	1 year	12/31/15
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15
Tom Genova	1 year	12/31/15
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/15
James Barry	1 year	12/31/15
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/15
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15

HISTORIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Jennifer Young	1 year	12/31/15
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
James Sommerville	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Barth	1 year	12/31/15
Jadusingh Martin	1 year	12/31/15
Cynthia Blumenkrantz	year	12/31/15
David Hansel	1 year	12/31/15
Joel Halonen	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Ambrose	1 year	12/31/15
Phil Decker	1 year	12/31/15
Dawn Taylor	1 year	12/31/15
Laura McHale	1 year	12/31/15

RARITAN RIVER GREENWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Amanda O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15
Kathy Gerndt	1 year	12/31/15

UPPER RARITAN WASTEWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15
Ken Utter	1 year	12/31/15

LANDFILL REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Ken Utter	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

WEST END REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

EAST END REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

KIRBY AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

REGIONAL CENTER PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
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Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15	Executive Committee
Lisa Yates	1 year	12/31/15	
Rick St. Pierre	1 year	12/31/15	
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15	

FIRE MUSEUM RESTORATION COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Bobby Lynn	1 year	12/31/15
Tom Sutphen	1 year	12/31/15
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/15
Rich O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Jim Sutphen	1 year	12/31/15
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/15
Phil Decker	1 year	12/31/15
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
Greg Sorace	1 year	12/31/15
Ryan Donahue	1 year	12/31/15
Dave Vallone Sr.	1 year	12/31/15
Bryan O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15

EMERGENCY SERVICES FACILITIES COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Frank McAleavy	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Lynn, Jr.	1 year	12/31/15
James Barry	1 year	12/31/15
Marc Pellegrino	1 year	12/31/15
Greg Sorace	1 year	12/31/15
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15
Richard O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/15
Brian Iselin	1 year	12/31/15
Steve Weinman	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERVILLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE:

Herb Hall	1 year	12/31/15
Michael Halperin	1 year	12/31/15
Ken Cornell	1 year	12/31/15
Jeff Carlson	1 year	12/31/15
Jim Balzano	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Barth	1 year	12/31/15
Shirley Gurisic	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERSET COUNTY CULTURAL & HERITAGE COMMISSION:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15

WORKPLACE DIVERSITY TASK FORCE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15
Art Adair	1 year	12/31/15
Jack Webster	1 year	12/31/15
Rodney Dorsey	1 year	12/31/15

23. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

24. CONSENT RESOLUTIONS (15-0101-001 THRU 15-0101-029)

15-0101-001 Establishing 2015 Meeting Procedure

- Description: the 1st and 3rd Mondays are regular meetings except that we will have meetings on Tuesdays if the preceding Monday is a Holiday. Except the January Meetings will be on the 1st and the 12th
- 15-0101-002 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 2nd official newspaper.
- 15-0101-003 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.
- 15-0101-004 Adopting 2015 Holiday Schedule
Description: establishing the holiday schedule that Borough operations are closed.
- 15-0101-005 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.
- 15-0101-006 Authorizing Signature
Description: Allowing the Mayor & Council President to sign checks & other documents
- 15-0101-007 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.
- 15-0101-008 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.
- 15-0101-009 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Wire Transfer Funds for Investment, Payment of Capital Debt, School, County and Bridgewater Courts
Description: Allows CFO to wire funds for investment of surplus funds throughout the year.
- 15-0101-010 Appointing 2015 Officials and Employees
Description: Identifies the position being held by municipal employees and consulting personnel.
- 15-0101-011 Adopting Policy and Procedure Manual
Description: the manual has been updated and will continue to be updated. Establishes rules and regulations for municipal employees.
- 15-0101-012 Sewer Utility Temporary Budget-2015
Description allows for 26.25% of the 2014 budget to be appropriated to initiate activity for the 2015 year until the 2015 budget is passed.
- 15-0101-013 Downtown Somerville Alliance Temporary Budget-2015
Description allows for 26.25% of the 2014 budget to be appropriated to initiate activity for the 2015 year until the 2015 budget is passed.
- 15-0101-014 Authorizing Appropriations to Cover Debt Service Requirements from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015
Description: The temporary budget resolution allows for current fund obligations to be paid. This resolution allows for debt service to be paid.
- 15-0101-015 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Accounting Services (Auditor)-Hodulik & Morrison P.A.
- 15-0101-016 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Special Counsel for Redevelopment Projects-DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP.
- 15-0101-017 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Bond Counsel – Gibbons, P.C.
- 15-0101-018 Establishing 2015 Current Fund Temporary Budget
Description: Allows the Borough to initiate operations prior to adoption of budget.
- 15-0101-019 Authorizing Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services Contract with Driver Associates for Redevelopment Consulting Services to serve as Director of Economic Development
- 15-0101-020 Approving the 2015 Somerville Fire Department Standard Operating Guideline Sections 100 through 1000
- 15-0101-021 Authorizing submission of a grant with the County of Somerset for the 2015 New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Alliance Funding
- 15-0101-022 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Planning & Engineering Services to Cole & Associates
- 15-0101-023 Authorizing Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services Contract with Genova insurance Agency to serve as Risk Manager

- 15-0101-024 Authorizing a Shared Service Contract for Printing Services with the County of Somerset
- 15-0101-025 Authorizing Application for a Recycling Tonnage Grant for the Tonnage Recycled during Year 2015
- 15-0101-026 Appointing Kevin Sluka as the Qualified Purchasing Agent in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
- 15-0101-027 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Wire Transfer funds for the Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority
- 15-0101-028 Approving Retirement Resignation of William Finn effective February 1, 2015
- 15-0101-029 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Labor Counsel with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick and Cole, LLP

25. BILLS & VOUCHERS:

26. BENEDICTION: PASTOR FLEMMINGS

27. ADJOURNMENT:

28. CLOSING SONG: SHILOH PENTECOSTAL CHURCH CHOIR

~Everyone is invited to a reception at Lincoln Hose Co.
34 Warren Street, for light food and refreshments~

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The Annual Reorganization Meeting of the Borough of Somerville for 2015 was held on Thursday, January 1, 2015 at the Somerville High School Auditorium, Davenport Street, Somerville, New Jersey at 12:00pm.

Town Crier, David Lange Officially called the meeting to order.

Mayor Gallagher asked for a moment of silence in honor of Mrs. Edna Allena. Mrs. Allena served as a Councilwoman and was the first elected female Borough Council President in Somerville. She also served a term on the Board of Education.

Pastor Lorenzo Flemmings of First Baptist Church offered the Invocation.

Mayor Gallagher introduced Pete Roethke, United States Army Command Sergeant Major, Retired. He highlighted Pete's remarkable career in the United States Army. Pete is a Somerville High School graduate. Pete then led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance.

NATIONAL ANTHEM: Arranged by: Chris M. Bernotas
Brass Ensemble conducted by: Meredith Sullivan Boyan, Trumpet: Alex Giardina, Matt Krempasky;
Horn: Kathy Giardina, Gary Smith; Trombone: Tess Giardina, Jeff Smith; Euphonium: Mark Osman;
Tuba: Jonathan Clymer

Congressman Leonard Lance addressed the crowd and extended his best wishes for a successful 2015.

Clerk-Administrator Kevin Sluka stated, "that the meeting will please come to order at 12:00noon. Adequate notice of this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meeting Act has been provided for in that a copy of a resolution of January 1, 2015, specifying the date, time and location, was (1) posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall, (2) mailed to the Somerset Messenger-Gazette, Courier News and Home News; and (3) given to the Clerk-Administrator.

Clerk-Administrator Sluka administered the oath of office to Councilman Dennis Sullivan for a full three (3) year term. Holding Bible: Heather Sullivan (daughter) & Adam Sullivan Gruber (grandson)

Assemblywoman Donna M. Simon administered the oath of office to Councilwoman Amanda O'Neill for a full three (3) year term, with her daughter Madelyn O'Neill holding the Bible for her. On the stage were: Sean (husband), Sean, JP, Ryan (sons) and daughter Hailey.

The roll call of the newly seated 2015 Borough Council was taken and the following members were present: Mayor Brian G. Gallagher, Presiding, Councilwoman Jane Kobuta, Councilman Thompson Mitchell, Councilwoman Amanda O'Neill, Councilman Dennis Sullivan, Councilman Kenneth Utter and Councilman Robert Wilson.

Councilman Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Mitchell to nominate Councilwoman Kobuta for 2015 Borough Council President. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Kobuta, Councilman Mitchell,
Councilwoman O'Neill, Councilman Sullivan,
Councilman Utter, Councilman Wilson

Nays: None

Mayor Gallagher presented the 2014 Borough of Somerville Citizen of the Year Award to Lisa Yates.

IT IS WITH GRATEFUL APPRECIATION THAT AS MAYOR, I PRESENT THE 2014 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD TO:

LISA YATES

FOR HER OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERISM AND PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Lisa Yates has been volunteering for the Borough of Somerville through her work on various local government boards and agencies. Lisa has expanded her volunteerism efforts by devoting countless hours of time to several not-for profits and philanthropic organizations in the Borough of Somerville.

Lisa is the Vice Chairperson of the Somerville Planning Board, which is responsible for creating the development footprint for the borough. Her leadership on the Planning Board has resulted in the approval of many of the borough's successful developments. She has demonstrated a strong commitment to

improving on the landscape of the borough by also serving on the Architectural Review Board, the Planning Board Redevelopment Site Plan Waiver Committee, Street Tree Committee. Lisa knowledge and leadership was extremely instrumental in advancing the Kirby Avenue Redevelopment Plan.

While, she maintains an extremely busy life volunteering for local government, she finds the time to devote countless hours volunteering her time and talents to making the lives of others better. Her infectious laugh and energetic attitude enables sets the tone for getting things done.

Lisa has spearheaded events for the Somerville Education Foundation that have raised funds for school supplies and teaching tools for the Somerville Borough Board of Education. She is Co-Chair of the Somerville Civic League, which has become the agency that others turn to when in need. During emergencies, Lisa can be found assisting the public as a member of the Community Emergency response Team (CERT), she can be found directing traffic, controlling crowds or performing any duty necessary including serving on the County's Search and Rescue Team.

Whether it is volunteering on a government project, helping a not-for profit to raise funds or providing a hand during emergency situations, Lisa is always ready to help. She is talented enough to be able manage her volunteerism this while being a single mother to two beautiful children, Casandra and Ernie

IT IS MY HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT TO LISA YATES THIS MOST DISTINGUISHED AND WORTHY AWARD.

Mayor Brian G. Gallagher presented the following 2015 State of the Borough Address:

Good Afternoon!!

Citizens of Somerville, Borough Council, guests, family and friends, I welcome you to the 2015 Somerville Borough Council New Year's Day reorganization.

The State of Our Borough stands strong with the excitement of what is to come. Our Borough holds promise for the future for the families of all of our citizens. And our Borough is leading the way in New Jersey in how a municipality can and should manage redevelopment and revitalization.

Over the past ten years Somerville has crafted an incredible, wonderful story of how opportunity is created from the challenges we face. How optimism and a sense of "we can do this" has won out over pessimism and negativity. How we have created a desire by many to now compete to locate their businesses here, to say I want to live here and I am going to raise a family in Somerville, or even to say I am going to spend my evening in downtown Somerville. That success is now reverberating through the entire state.

This revitalization is no accident. It comes from a well-crafted plan created 10 years ago that was implemented with the borough council and the planning board which began the revitalization of Somerville. We are now just beginning to realize the glimmers of these smart, strategic and successful planning efforts and decisions. The citizens of Somerville are excited by what they see!

The Borough Council and the Planning Board have worked in concert to make these great decisions for Somerville. These are people who sacrifice family and friends to help make all of our lives in Somerville better. I am proud to work with them towards this goal. I thank them and look forward to working with both in the coming years to continue that track record of success.

2014 saw many great milestones for our Borough....

With a special nod from me to all of those who consistently said it will never happen....JSM completed phase II of the downtown project on time bringing 108 rental apartments on line – over 1/3rd of which are occupied and with all but one of the retail spaces rented.

- With locations in Japan, Korea, New York City, Beverly Hills, Miami, Waikiki and now Somerville, New Jersey, "Wolfgang's Steakhouse" is set to open in 2 weeks.

- Site work has started on a 117 residential unit project on Veterans Memorial Drive called the Cobalt Apartments with completion expected in late 2015.

- The design and engineering work has begun for a parking garage behind ShopRite with construction anticipated to commence this summer.

- The Borough has secured \$11.8 million in grants of the estimated \$15.8 million needed for the restoration of the Landfill Green Seam Area with another \$2.9 million grant which should be approved in the first quarter of 2015.
- The Borough completed the acquisition of the 5 acre parcel of property at the southern end of the landfill green seam with grants from NJ Green Acres and the Somerset County Open Space program--thank you Freeholders!
- NJ TRANSIT entered into an MOU with Somerset Development to redevelop the 34-acre NJT property at the rail station. Final agreement will be signed in the first quarter 2015. We anticipate 12 months to the Planning Board approvals and expect construction to start in 2016.
- 17 new businesses opened their doors and now call downtown Somerville home. 4 businesses reinvested in themselves and completed major expansions.
- The environmental investigation for the former Color Tech property on Cornell Boulevard has commenced with a grant from the NJ DEP. This property will be cleaned using additional grants from the state.
- The Borough for the first time in history delivered a budget that had a 0% tax increase for the municipal portion.
- The Borough opened new spray park adding to the recreation activities available for the children of Somerville.
- We entered into a contract with St. Hubert's for Animal Control and Sheltering Services significantly reducing this cost to the taxpayer.
- The Borough utilized the "Jones Act" as a tool to allow the purchase of the Boroughs largest lien realizing approximately \$1 million in past due taxes, and clearing the way for development of the property.
- The combination of Bridgewater and Somerville courts has improved efficiencies, reduced future payroll costs and eliminated rental of space by relocating violations.
- In recognition of our wonderful history, the borough hall grand staircase ceiling was restored and we celebrated the re-opening of the Somerville Fire Museum.
- In a great accomplishment, our emergency services, police, fire and rescue, each achieved a level of distinction unmatched in New Jersey and were voted as the Best of the Best by citizens of Somerset County in the Courier News.
- Downtown Somerville created the first Central Jersey tri county event with the expansion of the Central Jersey Jazz Festival to include New Brunswick and Flemington as well.
- 2014 saw Somerset Medical Center become a welcome part of the Robert Wood Johnson Hospital system. We are already seeing major investment in infrastructure and clinical medicine.
- The Borough also received bronze certification from Sustainable New Jersey.
- And last but not least, Somerville gained that one seat ride to Manhattan...with more rides on the way!!

10 years ago I set forth a vision for the future of our borough...that future is now here and that vision is being realized. So as we continue the great progress for our Borough, the question is always not in what has come first or last, but in what comes next?

- Expect a Planning Board application for the former Messenger Gazette property for a new residential building to be constructed.
- Expect a proposal for a mixed use development on East Main Street which will begin the continuation of our Main Street to the east.
- Expect Planning Board application for a residential development off of Kirby Avenue.
- Expect a public Visioning Session for the Color Tech property on Cornell Boulevard to enable the residents to define what they would like to see on that land.
- Expect the Planning Board to conduct public meetings to reexamine the Landfill Redevelopment Plan to ensure its requirements meet the current and future needs of the Borough.
- Expect the Gaston Avenue Redevelopment Plan to be completed.
- Expect the north extension plan of the Main Street Redevelopment Area to be completed.

- Expect the Borough to begin discussions for the redevelopment of vacant property along south Bridge Street.
- Expect the council to decide on whether the future of Recreation for our citizens is better served by a separate recreation commission or as part of a Borough department.
- And because they are our neighbors, our sons and daughters, wives and husbands and because they deserve it, expect the future of our volunteer emergency services facilities to be defined and set in motion.

As we now begin to see success throughout our borough we need to ensure that our Borough continues to thrive. Throughout our history we have faced many challenges. This past year is no different. The test of the borough is not in how we react immediately to the challenges but how we move forward long term from them. We choose to lead forward with conviction, discussion and solution. That is what makes our Borough different from others.

We have some great employees in this Borough, and more to be hired in 2015 including many new police officers. These current and future employees are all part of how we do business in Somerville for the taxpayer. From clearing the worst snow season in anyone's memory, to the daily police patrol, to the day to day business done in Borough Hall we thank our hard working employees for helping to keep Somerville a wonderful community.

Now, it's taken a long time but after 10 years I think I have everyone saying Somerville is a really cool place, and that line is spreading!

This month, in January alone, 4 new businesses will cut their ribbon and open their doors for business downtown, and another 4 businesses are preparing to open shortly after that!

Downtown Somerville recently competed for the 2014 American Planning Association Great Places Award and came in 3rd!

Movoto, a real estate brokerage site, published a ranking of the best small cities in the State, and Somerville ranked as the 5th best small town in New Jersey!

...and now for the economic impact, The Otteau Valuation Group, one of the nations leading real estate market analysis firms reports that while the Median Sale price for a home in Somerset County has increased by 3.9% in the past year, Somerville has seen a striking 12.55% increase. Why? Because we are cool....a cool place to work, a cool place to visit and one heck of a cool place to live!!

Somerville is a strong and proud community. Through the generations we have seen both prosperous and difficult times. The difficult times are what tests the mettle of any community, and the strength and will of our citizenry to do what is right and what is needed in those difficult times, this is born out in our history.

The single most important aspect of Somerville is the quality of life we all enjoy, this is the reason why people choose to live here, raise their families, some for many generations and one which we all must strive to maintain through thick and thin.

This is what makes this Borough strong...we have an identity like no other and you need to be a part of it to really understand. We have a volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad that is second to none, and when the chips are down these are the men and women you want bursting through your front door. Our police department is eager, intelligent, caring and steady under Chief Manning. Our volunteer committees, commissions and boards make this Borough what it is...they are dedicated people who want to make a difference in where they live.

The challenges Somerville faces are the potential and catalyst for further success.

We must view these as steps to making a better Somerville community for all of her citizens, and a better place for all of our families. For some, Somerville has been a part of their families for many generations, for others it has been only for a few years, but to those who stay, we share a common vision of a wonderful place we all call home, that is Somerville.

Thank You and God Bless Somerville and all of her citizens!!

Mayor Gallagher made the following 2015 standing committees and 2015 Borough Council liaisons appointments:

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

COUNCIL LIAISONS FOR 2015:

JANE KOBUTA

West End Redevelopment Library Workplace Diversity Task Force	Raritan River Greenways Landfill Development Committee
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THOMPSON MITCHELL

Recycling SRVSA NJ Transit Railroad Coalition	TMA Ridewise Environmental Commission
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AMANDA O'NEILL

Board of Health Accident Review Committee NJ Transit Railroad Coalition	CDBG Municipal Alliance & Youth Services	Recreation Complete Streets
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DENNIS SULLIVAN

Board of Education By-Laws Committee Somerset County Freeholders Historic Advisory Committee Kirby Area Redevelopment Committee	East End Redevelopment Veterans Association Human Relations Regional Center Partnership
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KEN UTTER

Fire Police Landfill Committee Emergency Management Complete Streets	Somerset Medical Center First Aid & Rescue Squad	DSA/SBPA
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ROBERT WILSON

Fire Museum Emergency Services Facilities East End Redevelopment West End Redevelopment	Municipal Court Code Enforcement Somerville TV Kirby Area Redevelopment Committee
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Mayor Gallagher made the following additional appointments:

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS BY MAYOR:

(Consent of Council not required)

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Larry Cleveland	2 year	12/31/16 (Environmental Rep)
Philip Decker	4 year	12/31/18 (Class IV)
Christopher Adickes	2 year	12/31/16 (Alternate 1)
Bernie Navatto	4 year	12/31/18 (Class IV)
Richard O'Neill	4 year	12/31/18 (Class IV)

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS BY COUNCIL:

(Requires motion and vote)

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15

Councilman Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Mitchell to approve the aforementioned Borough Council Planning Board representative.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes:	Councilwoman Kobuta, Councilman Mitchell, Councilwoman O'Neill, Councilman Sullivan, Councilman Utter, Councilman Wilson
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Nays:	None
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APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT BY COUNCIL:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Steve Peter	2 year	12/31/16 (Alternate1)
Ellen Brian	4 year	12/31/18
Morgan McLachlan	4 year	12/31/18
Jeffrey Carlson	4 year	12/31/18

Councilman Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Mitchell to approve the aforementioned Zoning Board Members.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Kobuta, Councilman Mitchell,
Councilwoman O'Neill, Councilman Sullivan,
Councilman Utter, Councilman Wilson

Nays: None

The following additional appointments were made:

DOWNTOWN SOMERVILLE ALLIANCE: BOARD OF TRUSTEES BY COUNCIL:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Anne Marie Woodward	3 year	12/31/17 (Proprietor)
Robert Petix	3 year	12/31/17 (Resident)
Ron Aulenbach	3 year	12/31/15 (Property Owner)
Rick St. Pierre	3 year	12/31/15 (Property Owner)

APPOINTMENT OF FIRE APPARATUS DRIVERS:

CENTRAL HOOK & LADDER:	TODD STARNER
LINCOLN HOSE:	JIM COOKINGHAM
ENGINE COMPANY No.1	FERNANDO FRANCO
WEST END HOSE COMPANY No.3	BARRY VAN HORN
ENGINE (2) WEST END RESERVE	TOM FERRIS

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Lori McNeil	5 year	12/31/19
Gary Lazo	5 year	12/31/16 (filling unexpired term)
Timothy Purnell	1 year	12/31/15 (Sup't appointment)
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15

BOARD OF HEALTH:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Ken McCormick	3 year	12/31/17
Kim Sorace	3 year	12/31/17

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Timothy Hayes	3 year	12/31/17
Harry James Jr.	3 year	12/31/17
Kathy Hughes	3 year	12/31/17

COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Ronald Czajkowski	1 year	12/31/15

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE & YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Shirley Sibilia	1 year	12/31/15
Rose Jean-Baptiste	1 year	12/31/15
Theresa Bonner	1 year	12/31/15
Leigh McLachlan	1 year	12/31/15

FIRE POLICE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Kent Buchanan	1 year	12/31/15
Greg Jobin	1 year	12/31/15
Joseph Byer	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Bryant	1 year	12/31/15
Eligh Harrell	1 year	12/31/15
Peter Fusco	1 year	12/31/15

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Brian Gallagher	4 years	12/31/15	
Steve Weinman	3 years	11/30/17	
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15	(Police Rep.)
Frank McAleavy	1 year	12/31/15	
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/15	
Robert Lynn	1 year	12/31/15	(Fire Rep.)
Gary Falk	1 year	12/31/15	
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15	
James Barry	1 year	12/31/15	(Squad Rep.)
Ken Cornell	1 year	12/31/15	
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15	
Herb Hall	1 year	12/31/15	
Scott Strivanek	1 year	12/31/15	
Ken Utter	1 year	12/31/15	
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/15	

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Michael Halperin	1 year	12/31/15
Fred Picchiello	1 year	12/31/15
Lou Sassa	1 year	12/31/15
Beth Anne McDonald	1 year	12/31/15
Joseph Bakes	1 year	12/31/15
Mike Lapotasky	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERSET COUNTY RECYCLING COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERSET COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC):

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15 (Mayor's recommendation)
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15 (Council Recommendation)

SOMERSET COUNTY BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15	
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15	(Alternate 1)
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/15	(Alternate 2)

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

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Thompson Mitchell	1 year	12/31/15
Amanda O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15

ACCIDENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Lynn	1 year	12/31/15
Kevin Sluka	1 year	12/31/15
Tom Genova	1 year	12/31/15
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/15

James Barry	1 year	12/31/15
Frank Vuoso	1 year	12/31/15
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15

HISTORIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Jennifer Young	1 year	12/31/15
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
James Sommerville	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Barth	1 year	12/31/15
Jadusingh Martin	1 year	12/31/15
Cynthia Blumenkrantz	year	12/31/15
David Hansel	1 year	12/31/15
Joel Halonen	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Ambrose	1 year	12/31/15
Phil Decker	1 year	12/31/15
Dawn Taylor	1 year	12/31/15
Laura McHale	1 year	12/31/15

RARITAN RIVER GREENWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Amanda O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15
Kathy Gerndt	1 year	12/31/15

UPPER RARITAN WASTEWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Rodney Hadley	1 year	12/31/15
Ken Utter	1 year	12/31/15

LANDFILL REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Ken Utter	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

WEST END REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

EAST END REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

KIRBY AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Bernie Navatto	1 year	12/31/15

REGIONAL CENTER PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15 Executive Committee
Lisa Yates	1 year	12/31/15
Rick St. Pierre	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15

FIRE MUSEUM RESTORATION COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Bobby Lynn	1 year	12/31/15
Tom Sutphen	1 year	12/31/15
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/15

Rich O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Jim Sutphen	1 year	12/31/15
Barry Van Horn	1 year	12/31/15
Phil Decker	1 year	12/31/15
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15
Greg Sorace	1 year	12/31/15
Ryan Donahue	1 year	12/31/15
Dave Vallone Sr.	1 year	12/31/15
Bryan O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15

EMERGENCY SERVICES FACILITIES COMMITTEE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Frank McAleavy	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Lynn, Jr.	1 year	12/31/15
James Barry	1 year	12/31/15
Marc Pellegrino	1 year	12/31/15
Greg Sorace	1 year	12/31/15
Brendan Nally	1 year	12/31/15
Richard O'Neill	1 year	12/31/15
Pat Weston	1 year	12/31/15
Brian Iselin	1 year	12/31/15
Steve Weinman	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERVILLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE:

Herb Hall	1 year	12/31/15
Michael Halperin	1 year	12/31/15
Ken Cornell	1 year	12/31/15
Jeff Carlson	1 year	12/31/15
Jim Balzano	1 year	12/31/15
Robert Barth	1 year	12/31/15
Shirley Gurisic	1 year	12/31/15
Rob Wilson	1 year	12/31/15

SOMERSET COUNTY CULTURAL & HERITAGE COMMISSION:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Marge Sullivan	1 year	12/31/15

WORKPLACE DIVERSITY TASK FORCE:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Brian Gallagher	1 year	12/31/15
Jane Kobuta	1 year	12/31/15
Dennis Manning	1 year	12/31/15
Art Adair	1 year	12/31/15
Jack Webster	1 year	12/31/15
Rodney Dorsey	1 year	12/31/15

Councilman Mitchell made a motion and was seconded by Councilwoman Kobuta to approve the aforementioned committee and board appointments.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Kobuta, Councilman Mitchell,
Councilwoman O'Neill, Councilman Sullivan,
Councilman Utter, Councilman Wilson

Nays: None

Mayor Gallagher opened the meeting to comments:

There were no further comments from the public at this time and the public session was closed.

The following consent resolutions were presented for consideration: (14-0101-001 thru 14-0101-029)

RESOLUTION 15-0101-001
ESTABLISHING 2015 MEETING PROCEDURE

BE IT RESOLVED that all 2015 Executive Session meetings followed by the Workshop meetings and further followed by the Regular meetings of the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville will be held at Council Chambers located at 24 South Bridge Street, Somerville at 6:00 p.m. prevailing time, for executive session and the public portion immediately followed on the following dates in the year 2015 with exception to the Annual Reorganization meeting which is held at noon on January 1, at the Somerville High School located at 222 Davenport Street (corner of Davenport Street and Orchard Street).

January 1(noon)	January 12
February 2	February 17 (Tuesday)
March 2	March 16
April 6	April 20
May 4	May 18
June 1	June 15
July 6	July 20
August 3	August 17
September 8 (Tuesday)	September 21
October 5	October 19
November 2	November 16
December 7	December 21
January 1, 2016 (Reorganization, at 12:00 noon Somerville HS, 222 Davenport Street)	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it shall be unlawful for any person to disturb any meeting of the Borough Council or any committee thereof and any person violating the provisions of this rule may be summarily ejected from the Council Chambers and from Police Headquarters by order of the Mayor or majority; also if a regular or special or other official meeting of the Council shall, because of the press of business run beyond 12:00 p.m. midnight into another day, such a meeting shall be considered for all official and legal purposes as being held on the day the meeting was officially called to order by the Mayor and then roll call taken by the Municipal Clerk.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-002
DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" the Borough establishes that the "Courier News" shall be designated as the official newspaper of the Borough of Somerville for the year 2015. In cases, in which two newspapers are required the 2nd official newspaper shall be the "Star- Ledger".

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-003
FILING SIGNATURE WITH SECRETARY OF STATE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-129 that the Municipal Clerk if required shall be directed to file with the Secretary of State facsimiles of his signature and the Mayor's signature, an impression of the municipal seal and a statement of their terms of office, showing the commencement and expiration dates.

Adopted by Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-004

ADOPTING 2015 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of Somerville that the 2015 schedule be adopted as follows:

January 1	New Year's Day
January 19	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 16	President's Day
April 3	Good Friday
May 25	Memorial Day
July 3	Independence Day
September 7	Labor Day
November 3	Election Day
November 11	Veteran's Day
November 26	Thanksgiving Day
November 27	Day After Thanksgiving Day
December 24	Christmas Eve
December 25	Christmas Day

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-005

AUTHORIZING DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR HOSPITALIZATION AND STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PRIOR TO COUNCIL APPROVAL

WHEREAS, Employee Health Insurance must be paid at the time the bills are submitted thru the States Transmittal Electronic Payment System (TEPS);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to disburse the monies due at the time the bills are submitted.

Adopted by Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-006

AUTHORIZING SIGNATURE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that in the absence of the Mayor, the Council President is hereby authorized to sign checks and withdrawal slips all necessary documentation to minimize disruption of government operations.

Adopted by Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-007 ESTABLISHING INTEREST RATE ON DELINQUENT TAXES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that in accordance with R.S. 54:4-67 the interest rate on delinquent 2015 taxes shall be as follows:

1. Eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency.
2. Eighteen (18%) in any amount in excess of \$1,500.00
3. Any taxpayer with a cumulative delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 who fails to pay the delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year shall be charged with a penalty equal to six percent (6%) of the amount of the delinquency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no interest shall be charged until ten (10) days after the due date.

Adopted by Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-008
ESTABLISHING INTEREST RATE ON DELINQUENT SEWER USE TAXES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that in accordance with R.S. 54:4-67 the interest rate on delinquent 2015 sewer use taxes shall be as follows:

1. Eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency.
2. Eighteen (18%) in any amount in excess of \$1,500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no interest shall be charged until ten (10) days after the due date.

Adopted by Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-009

AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO WIRE
DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR INVESTMENT OF SURPLUS FUNDS, DEBT PAYMENTS, SCHOOL,
COUNTY, SOMERSET RARITAN VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY AND BRIDGEWATER COURTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to wire transfer funds for investment of surplus funds ,Debt Payments, School payments, County payments and Bridgewater Courts as they become available and payment of capital debt, provided that all investments are reported to the Borough Council.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-010
APPOINTING 2015 OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that Officers and Employees for the year 2015 are hereby appointed by said Council and that they be and are the same as follows:

Municipal Clerk	Kevin Sluka
Borough Administrator	
Qualified Purchasing Agent	
Election Official	
License Officer	
ADA Coordinator	
Municipal Housing Liaison	
Assessment Search Officer	
Chief Financial Officer	Dena Flynn
Sewer Collector	Janet Kelk
Tax Collector	
Payroll Clerk	Erin Martin
Tax Search Officer	Carol Strehle
Deputy Tax Collector	
Public Works Director	Rodney Hadley
Clean Communities	
Recycling Coordinator	
Borough Engineer	Matt Loper
Surveyor – Ass't to Engineer	Brendan Nally
Sewer System Engineer	Michael Cole
Community Development Director	Frank Vuoso
Construction Official	
Zoning Officer	
Building Inspector	
Code Enforcement Officer	

Fire Sub-Code Official	Dave Myers
Electrical Sub-Code Official	
Fire Inspector	
Building Inspector	
Electrical Inspector	
Plumbing Inspector	
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer	
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	
Building Sub-Code Official	John Tamburini
Building Inspector	
Fire Official	Barry Van Horn
Sup't of Fire Maintenance	Pat Weston
Health Officer	Paul Masaba
Borough Planner	Michael Cole
Dir. of Economic. Development	Colin Driver
Borough Attorney	Jeremy Solomon
Public Defender	Jim Loewen
Alternate Public Defender	Frank Taddeo
Prosecutor	Douglas M. Singleterry
Prosecutor Alternate #1	Steve Sloan
Prosecutor Alternate #2	Christopher "Kip" Bateman
Special Counsel Redevelopment	DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole
Special Counsel Labor	DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole
Bond Counsel	Gibbons, PC
Risk Manager/ Insurance Agent	Genova Insurance
Municipal Auditor	Hodulik & Morrison

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-011

ADOPTING POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Policy and Procedure Manual, review and revised by the Personnel Committee on a needed basis with notifications of the Collective Bargaining Agreement that require notification is dated January 1, 2015 is hereby adopted by the Borough Council and shall be disbursed electronically to Borough employees

Adopted by Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-012

2015 SEWER UTILITY TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2015 Sewer Utility budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of January 2015, and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2014 Sewer Utility budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement and public assistance, is the sum of \$2,537,000, and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2014 Sewer Utility budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement and public assistance is said budget is the sum \$ 665,962.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for her records.

APPROPRIATIONS	S&W	OTHER EXP
Operating Budget	84,000	55,000
SRVA	500,000	
TOTAL	639,000	

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-013

2015 DOWNTOWN SOMERVILLE ALLIANCE TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Local Budget Act provides that, where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the budget, temporary appropriations in the amount not to exceed 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2014 budget, should be made for the purpose and amount required, in the manner and time herein provided.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that certified copies of this resolution be submitted to the Chief Financial Officer for her records.

DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT
Special Improvement District, Other Expenses	\$123,000

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-014

AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS TO COVER DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-19 provides authority for appropriating in a temporary resolution, the permanent debt service requirements for the coming fiscal year, providing that such resolution is not made earlier than December 20th of the year preceding the beginning of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is subsequent to December 20, 2014; and

WHEREAS, principal and interest will be due on various dates, from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015, inclusive of sundry bonds issued and outstanding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following appropriations be made to cover the period from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 inclusive:

APPROPRIATIONS	AMOUNT
CURRENT FUND: Debt Service:	

Bond Principal	1,766,000
Interest on Bonds	485,000
Note Principal	110,000
Interest on Notes	38,000

Lease/Purchase/:	
Lease Principal	324,000
Lease Interest	24,000

TOTAL/CURRENT.....\$ 2,747,000

SEWER UTILITY FUND:

Debt Service;	
Bond Principal	75,000
Interest on Bonds	5,000

TOTAL/SEWER UTILITY.....\$ 80,000

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-015

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES (AUDITOR)-HODULIK & MORRISON, P.A.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville requires professional accounting services to perform the annual audits and serve as municipal auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has determined and certified in writing by copy of this Resolution that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Hodulik & Morrison, P.A. submitted a proposal that exhibited a familiarity with the Borough of Somerville, experience with municipalities within the County, the County itself and public clients of similar size and budgets; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has utilized the firm of Hodulik & Morrison, P.A. in the past and found their work to be satisfactory; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Hodulik & Morrison, P.A. has submitted a proposal along with Political Contribution Disclosure and Business Entity Disclosure fulfilling the requirements to enable the firm of Hodulik & Morrison, P.A. to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Hodulik & Morrison, P.A. shall serve as the municipal auditor in accordance with their proposal dated December 15, 2014

WHEREAS, all work shall be authorized prior to commencement, however this contract shall be considered a month to month contract and shall not exceed 12 months.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A professional services contract with Hodulik & Morrison, P.A., 1102 Raritan Avenue, PO Box 1450, Highland Park, NJ 08904 is hereby authorized
2. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign a contract with the Firm of Hodulik & Morrison, P.A., 1102 Raritan Avenue, PO Box 1450, Highland Park, NJ 08904 in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
 - A. Term: Month to Month for a period of not to exceed 12 months or for length of project
 - B. Rate: \$35,000-2015 Current Fund (Must be authorized by letter prior to starting any work)
\$7,500-Single Audit
\$5,000-Assistance with Annual Financial Statement and Municipal Budget
\$11,500-Audit of Sewer Utility

C. Services: The firm shall provide professional accounting services

- 3. The Borough Clerk in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), is directed to publish a notice once in the Official Newspaper stating the nature, duration, service and amount of this contract.
- 4. The Borough Clerk shall make copies of this resolution available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 25 West End Avenue, Somerville, NJ during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-016

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS-DECOTIIS, FITZPATRICK, & COLE, LLP

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville requires professional legal services to serve as special legal counsel for Redevelopment Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has determined and certified in writing by copy of this Resolution that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP submitted a proposal that exhibited a familiarity with the Borough of Somerville, experience with municipalities within the County, public clients of similar size, projects of similar size, and an hourly rate acceptable to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has utilized the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, & Cole, LLP in the past and found their work to be satisfactory; and

WHEREAS, the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP has submitted a proposal along with Political Contribution Disclosure and Business Entity Disclosure fulfilling the requirements to enable the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP shall serve as Special Legal Counsel for Redevelopment Projects in accordance with their proposal dated December 11 for a period one year

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. A professional services contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP Glenpointe Centre West, 500 Frank W. Burr Blvd., Suite 31, Teaneck, New Jersey 07666 is hereby authorized
- 2. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign a contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole, LLP Glenpointe Centre West, 500 Frank W. Burr Blvd., Suite 31, Teaneck, New Jersey 07666 in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
 - A. Term: A period of not to exceed 12 months or for length of project
 - B. Rate: \$166.25 hourly for legal services, \$100 per hour for paralegal services as per proposal dated December 11, 2014
Maximum amount of Borough fees shall be \$80,000
 - C. Services: The firm shall provide professional special legal services
- 3. The Borough Clerk in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), is directed to publish a notice once in the Official Newspaper stating the nature, duration, service and amount of this contract.
- 4. The Borough Clerk shall make copies of this resolution available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 25 West End Avenue, Somerville, NJ during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-017

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT
FOR BOND COUNSEL- GIBBONS P.C.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville requires professional legal services to serve as Borough Bond Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has determined and certified in writing by copy of this Resolution that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Gibbons, P.C., submitted a proposal that exhibited a familiarity with the Borough of Somerville, experience with municipalities within the County, public clients of similar size, projects of similar size, budgets of similar size and a rate schedule acceptable to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has utilized the firm of Gibbons, P.C., in the past and found their work to be satisfactory; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Gibbons, P.C., has submitted a proposal along with Political Contribution Disclosure and Business Entity Disclosure fulfilling the requirements to enable the firm of Gibbons, P.C., to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Gibbons, P.C., shall serve as Bond Counsel in accordance with their proposal dated December 12, 2014

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A professional services contract with Gibbons, P.C., One Gateway Center, Newark, New Jersey 07102-5310 is hereby authorized
2. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign a contract with Gibbons, P.C., One Gateway Center, Newark, New Jersey 07102-5310 in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
 - A. Term: A period of not to exceed 12 months or for length of project
 - B. Rate: rate schedule as per proposal dated December 12, 2014
\$475 single purpose ordinance
\$575 multiple and plus out-of pocket disbursements.
\$195/hr All other fees listed in proposal
 - C. Services: The firm shall provide professional legal services as bond counsel
3. The Borough Clerk in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), is directed to publish a notice once in the Official Newspaper stating the nature, duration, service and amount of this contract.
4. The Borough Clerk shall make copies of this resolution available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 25 West End Avenue, Somerville, NJ during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-018

2015 CURRENT FUND TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2015 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of January 2015, and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2014 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement and public assistance, is the sum of \$12,684,977, and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2014 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement and public assistance is said budget is the sum \$ 3,329,806

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for her records.

2015

APPROPRIATIONS	S/W	O/E
<i>Admin & Exec,</i>	<i>46,000</i>	<i>70,000</i>
<i>Clerk, #1012</i>	<i>15,000</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Elections</i>	<i>262</i>	<i>945</i>
<i>Financial Admin</i>	<i>36,000</i>	<i>7,000</i>
<i>Audit</i>		<i>12,000</i>
<i>Assment of Taxes</i>	<i>10,000</i>	<i>900</i>
<i>Collection of Taxes</i>	<i>16,000</i>	<i>2,000</i>
<i>Legal,</i>	<i>11,000</i>	<i>8,000</i>
<i>Prosecutor,</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>3,400</i>
<i>Parking & Engineering</i>	<i>18,375</i>	<i>9,000</i>
<i>Building & Grds</i>	<i>46,000</i>	<i>19,000</i>
<i>Planning Bd</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>7,500</i>
<i>Dept/Tech</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>20,000</i>
<i>Zoning Bd of Adjustment</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1,300</i>
<i>Group Insurance</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>305,000</i>
<i>Insurance/Other</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>176,000</i>
<i>Insurance/Dental</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>17,000</i>
<i>Fire Department</i>	<i>15,000</i>	<i>41,000</i>
<i>Fire Safety</i>	<i>14,438</i>	<i>1,000</i>
<i>Police Department</i>	<i>922,000</i>	<i>53,000</i>
<i>First Aid</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>18,000</i>
<i>Emergency Management</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1,300</i>
<i>Crossing Guards</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>38,000</i>
<i>Road Repair and Maintenance</i>	<i>166,000</i>	<i>39,000</i>
<i>Snow Removal</i>		<i>10,000</i>
<i>Sanitary Sewer Sys</i>		<i>3,000</i>
<i>Garbage & Trash Removal</i>		<i>182,000</i>
<i>Recycling</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>25,000</i>
<i>Board of Health</i>	<i>25,000</i>	<i>27,000</i>
<i>Dog Regulations</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>21,000</i>
<i>Parks/Playgrounds</i>	<i>1,300</i>	<i>11,000</i>
<i>Recreation</i>	<i>32,000</i>	<i>650</i>
<i>Municipal Court</i>	<i>8,400</i>	<i>46,000</i>

<i>Dept Community Development</i>	<i>36,700</i>	<i>10,000</i>
<i>Plumbing Inspector</i>	<i>4,500</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Electrical Inspector</i>	<i>25,000</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Bldg Inspector</i>	<i>2,500</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Street Lights</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>52,000</i>
<i>Fire Hydrant</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>41,000</i>
<i>Utility-Telephone</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>19,000</i>
<i>Utility-Water</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>3,938</i>
<i>Utility-Elec</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>54,000</i>
<i>Utility-Fuel</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>40,000</i>
<i>Accumulated Leave</i>		<i>25,000</i>
<i>Social Security</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>58,000</i>
<i>Unemployment</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2,000</i>
<i>Capital Improvement Fund</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>50,000</i>
<i>Carol Payer Park Grant</i>		<i>66,027</i>

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-019

AUTHORIZING EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES CONTRACT

WITH DRIVER & ASSOCIATES FOR REDEVELOPMENT CONSULTING SERVICES TO SERVE AS
DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the Borough may award contracts for "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services ("EUS") without competitive bids in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and N.J.A.C. 5:34.2; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for redevelopment and economic development consulting services as set forth in the EUS certification attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Chief Financial Officer in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 has certified the availability of adequate funds to pay the maximum amount of the contract; and

WHEREAS, this resolution and the EUS contract shall be kept on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A contract is hereby awarded to Driver & Associates, to provide Redevelopment Consulting Services to serve as the Borough's Economic Development Director.
2. The rate shall be a monthly rate of \$13,000 billed to the Borough of Somerville
3. A rate of \$185 per hour shall be billable to developer escrow accounts and mileage shall be billed at the IRS standard mileage rate
4. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute that agreement with Driver & Associates.
5. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts because it is not reasonably possible to draft specifications for redevelopment consulting services, extensive knowledge and a

proven reputation in the field is required.

6. A notice of this contract award shall be published once in the Courier News.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-020

APPROVING THE 2015 SOMERVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES
SECTIONS 100 THRU SECTION 1000

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approve annually the Somerville Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines Section 100 through 1000 and all revision throughout the year shall be affirmed by Borough Resolution upon review and recommendation of the Board of Engineers.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-021

AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT WITH THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET FOR THE 2015 NEW
JERSEY GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE ALLIANCE FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliance for the prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local governments, and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough was approved for a funding allocation July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 as per letter dated December 18, 2014 from Elizabeth Savage, Somerset County Municipal Alliance Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, funding allocation has been made available in amount of \$9,315.00 DEDR, the Cash match is 25% of the allocation, (\$2,328.75) and required in kind services match is \$6,986.25

BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville hereby authorizes the submission of a grant for the Municipal Alliance grant in the amount of :

DDR \$9,315.00
Cash match \$2,328.75
In-Kind \$6,986.25

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-022
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT
TO COLE & ASSOCIATES FOR SANITARY ENGINEERING
AND GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has a need to acquire engineering services to consult the Borough as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate and the Borough of Somerville ordinance regulating pay to play and,

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has determined and certified in writing that the value of the contract may exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is for one year; and

WHEREAS, Cole & Associates has submitted a full proposal proposal that included 2015 Rate Schedule, along with Political Contribution Disclosure and Business Entity Disclosure fulfilling the requirements to enable Cole & Associates to provide such services; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Somerville of the authorizes the Administrator to enter into a contract with Cole & Associates as described herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Political Contribution Disclosure Form be placed on file with this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A professional services contract with Cole & Associates, 3986 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648 is hereby authorized
2. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign a contract with Cole & Associates, 3986 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648 in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
 - A. Term: A period of not to exceed 12 months or for length of project
 - B. Rate: 2014 Annual Fee Schedule at a public rate of \$135 per hour & 160.00 private rate
Maximum amount of contract \$150,000 for Borough services
 - C. Services: The firm shall provide professional engineering services
3. The Borough Clerk in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), is directed to publish a notice once in the Official Newspaper stating the nature, duration, service and amount of this contract.
4. The Borough Clerk shall make copies of this resolution available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 25 West End Avenue, Somerville, NJ during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-023

AUTHORIZING EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES CONTRACT

WITH GENOVA INSURANCE AGENCY FOR RISK MANAGEMENT

CONSULTING SERVICES TO SERVE AS RISK MANAGER

WHEREAS, the Borough may award contracts for "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services ("EUS") without competitive bids in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and N.J.A.C. 5:34.2; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for risk management consulting services as set forth in the EUS certification attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Chief Financial Officer in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 has certified the availability of adequate funds to pay the maximum amount of the contract; and

WHEREAS, this resolution and the EUS contract shall be kept on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

7. A contract is hereby awarded to Genova Insurance Agency, to provide Risk Management Consulting Services
8. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute that agreement with Genova Insurance Associates
9. The Borough is a member of the Statewide Joint Insurance Fund and the Risk manager is paid from premiums paid to Statewide Joint Insurance.
10. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts because it is not reasonably possible to draft specifications for risk management services, extensive knowledge and a proven reputation in the field is required.
11. A notice of this contract award shall be published once in the Courier News.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR PRINTING SERVICES WITH THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville utilizes copy and printing services; and

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset is desirous of providing copy and print services in accordance with the terms of agreements which are on file in both the Municipal Clerk's Office and the Deputy Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. Seq) authorizes and empowers the County of Somerset and the Borough of Somerville to enter into such agreements; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the agreement for printing services with the County of Somerset.

Adopted by Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-025

AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT FOR THE TONNAGE RECYCLED DURING YEAR 2014

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c 102 has established a recycling fund from which a tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs to continue to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, The NJ Department of Environmental protection has promulgated recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations imposed on municipalities contain certain requirements as condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to maintaining and keeping verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing the Borough of Somerville to apply for such tonnage grants will memorialize the commitment of the Borough to recycling and indicate the assent of the Borough Council to the efforts undertaken by the Borough and requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, such resolution should designate the individual authority to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Environmental Protection and designates Peter Hendershot, recycling Coordinator, to ensure that the application is properly filed and a certified copy of this resolution is delivered to all pertinent agencies.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-026

APPOINTING KEVIN SLUKA AS THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A 40A:11-1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, the N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a) permits a contracting agent to have a bid threshold up to \$36,000, if the contracting agent annually appoints a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C 5:34-5 establishes the criteria for qualifications as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Sluka possess all the qualifications and meets the educational requirements and continues to maintain the continuing education credits; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Kevin Sluka as the Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Somerville and further directs in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-2 that a copy of the Resolution shall be forwarded to the State of New Jersey Department of Local Government Services.

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-027

AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO WIRE TRANSFER FUNDS FOR SOMERSET RARITAN VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to wire transfer funds for payments to the Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-028

APPROVING THE RETIREMENT RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM FINN EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2015 (last day of work January 31, 2015)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approves the retirement resignation of William Finn effective February 1, 2015 (last day of work January 31, 2015)

Adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015

RESOLUTION 15-0101-029

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS-DECOTIIS, FITZPATRICK, & COLE, LLP

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville requires professional legal services to serve as Labor counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has determined and certified in writing by copy of this Resolution that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP submitted a proposal that exhibited a familiarity with the Borough of Somerville, experience with municipalities within the County, public clients of similar size, projects of similar size, and an hourly rate acceptable to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has utilized the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, & Cole, LLP in the past and found their work to be satisfactory; and

WHEREAS, the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP has submitted a proposal along with Political Contribution Disclosure and Business Entity Disclosure fulfilling the requirements to enable the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP shall serve as Special Legal Counsel for Redevelopment Projects in accordance with their proposal dated December 11 for a period one year

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A professional services contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP Glenpointe Centre West, 500 Frank W. Burr Blvd., Suite 31, Teaneck, New Jersey 07666 is hereby authorized
2. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign a contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole, LLP Glenpointe Centre West, 500 Frank W. Burr Blvd., Suite 31, Teaneck, New Jersey 07666 in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
 - A. Term: A period of not to exceed 12 months or for length of project
 - B. Rate: \$145 hourly for the services of all attorneys, as per proposal dated December 11, 2014

C. Services: The firm shall provide professional legal services to serve as Labor counsel

3. The Borough Clerk in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), is directed to publish a notice once in the Official Newspaper stating the nature, duration, service and amount of this contract.
4. The Borough Clerk shall make copies of this resolution available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 25 West End Avenue, Somerville, NJ during regular business hours.

Councilman Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Wilson to approve the aforementioned consent resolutions.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Kobuta, Councilman Mitchell,
Councilwoman O'Neill, Councilman Sullivan,
Councilman Utter, Councilman Wilson

Nays: None

Councilman Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Mitchell to approve payroll vouchers totaling \$441,116.66. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Kobuta, Councilman Mitchell,
Councilwoman O'Neill, Councilman Sullivan,
Councilman Utter, Councilman Wilson

Nays: None

Mayor Gallagher acknowledged a number of State and County elected officials attending today's Annual Reorganization Meeting. He also recognized a number of past Mayors, Council Members and Borough Committee members present as well.

He invited everyone back to the Lincoln Hose Fire House on Warren Street after this meeting for a light reception.

There being no further business to come before the Borough Council, Councilwoman Kobuta made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Mitchell to adjourn the 2015 Borough Council Reorganization meeting. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Kobuta, Councilman Mitchell,
Councilwoman O'Neill, Councilman Sullivan,
Councilman Utter, Councilman Wilson

Nays: None

Pastor Flemings offered the Benediction.

Shiloh Pentecostal Church Choir performed the closing song.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Allena
Secretary