

Reorganization Meeting of the
Burlington County Community Development Program
General Advisory Committee
February 22, 2024, @ 3:30 PM

PRESENT: Scott Hatfield, representing Burlington Township, Janice Lohr, representing Delanco Township, Mayor Gary Catrambone, representing Delran Township, Thomas Pullion, representing Edgewater Park Township, Kevin Rijs, representing Eveshamam Township, Ted Lovenduski, representing Florence Township, William Long, representing Mount Laurel Township, Harley Haberstroh, representing Bass River Township, Julia Ibragimova, representing Literacy NJ, Susan Jackson, representing New Hanover Township, Sherrod Jones, representing Wetampton Township, Kevin Dowd, representing Walters Group, Madelyn Sutton, representing Christian Caring Center, Chris Smith, representing SEN-HAN transportation, Pastor Darlene Trappier, representing Beacon of Hope, Lavinia Awosanya, Food Bank of South Jersey, Randy Brolo, Labor Union, Danielle Scoleri, Planning Board, Pete Taylor, Environmental, Malukah Morris, Human Services, Jennifer Hiros, Linda Horner, Monica Rego, Patricia Lake, Division of Community Development and Housing.

1. Call to order – Open Public Meetings Act
The meeting was called to order at 4:02 PM by Jennifer Hiros, Community Development and Housing, Division Head. Jennifer Hiros stated the meeting follows the Open Public Meetings Act. The meeting was opened for public comment. No members of the public were present, and hearing no comment, Jennifer Hiros closed the public comment portion.
2. Roll Call
Attendees introduced themselves aloud confirming the roll call. A quorum was present.
3. Reports – Division Head
 - Jennifer Hiros welcomed the group and expressed thanks for attending the Public Meeting and the monthly General Advisory Meetings.
 - Jennifer Hiros stated HUD will be looking closely at timeliness goals for the 2024 funding cycle.
 - The entitlement community must have 1.5x their grant spent by May 1st.
 - The Division of Community Development and Housing is considering proposed projects based on “shovel readiness” and will meet with communities to discuss their project’s schedule.
 - Jennifer Hiros stated due to the lack of a Federally passed budget, the Division of Community Development and Housing has prepared a conservative budget for funding 2024 projects.
 - 2024 Community Block funding may be increased once a final budget is passed.
4. Nomination of Chairperson of the General Advisory Committee:
 - a. Nomination of Chairperson of the General Advisory Committee:
Sherrod Jones representing Westampton Township nominated: Randy Brolo, Laborer Union.

The nomination was seconded by Scott Hatfield representing Burlington Township.

On the vote, all were in favor. There were no nays and no abstentions.

- b. Nomination of Vice Chairperson of the General Advisory Committee
William Long representing Mount Laurel Township nominated: Scott Hatfield, Burlington Township.

The nomination was seconded by Randy Brolo, representing the Labor Union.

On the vote, all were in favor. There were no nays and no abstentions.

- c. Nomination and election of Executive Committee.

i. **Nine Municipal representatives:**

Scott Hatfield - Burlington Township

Susan Jackson – New Hanover Township

Sarah Cannon-Moye – Designee for Tom Pullion Edgewater Park Township

Sherrrod Jones - Westampton Township

Mayor Gary Catrambone - Delran Township

Janice Lohr – Delanco Township

Kevin Rijs - Evesham Township

Ted Lovenduski - Florence Township

Harley Haberstroh – Bass River Township

ii. **Four appointed representatives:**

Madelyn Sutton

Pete Taylor

Randy Brolo

William Long

All nominees were moved and seconded for the appointment. All were in favor. There were no nays and no abstentions.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Patricia Lake

PL/JLH

