

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL**

May 1, 2017 MINUTES

Mayor Bruce A. Harris called the Special Council Meeting of the Borough of Chatham to order on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Borough Hall, 54 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey.

SALUTE TO FLAG

The Mayor and Borough Council led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Harris asked for a moment of silence for those who have given their lives for our country.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

James L. Lott, Jr. Borough Attorney and Clerk Pro-Tem, read the following statement of adequate notice:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this special meeting has been provided to the Daily Record, the Star Ledger, the Chatham Courier, the Chatham Patch, and The Alternative Press by E-mail on April 26, 2017 and a copy of which was posted on the official bulletin board on the main floor of Borough Hall and filed with the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL

On a call of the roll, the following officials were present:

Mayor Bruce A. Harris
Council Member James J. Collander
Council Member James Lonergan
Council President Victoria Fife
Council Member Gerald J. Helfrich
Council Member Leonard Resto
Council Member Peter Hoffman
James L. Lott, Jr., Borough Attorney

Robert J. Falzarano, Borough Administrator, and Robin R. Kline, Borough Clerk, were absent.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT TIME LIMIT

Hearing of citizens during the Public Comment section of the Agenda is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues, which are/are not topics scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. To help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to a reasonable length of time.

Mayor Harris opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wished to comment, Mayor Harris closed the meeting to the public.

RESOLUTION #17-170

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF ROBERT J. FALZARANO FROM THE POSITION OF BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 28, 2017, Robert J. Falzarano served the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham with his written resignation from the position of Borough Administrator to be effective June 10, 2017; and

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret that the Mayor and Council wish to accept Mr. Falzarano's resignation; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council to commend Mr. Falzarano for his lengthy and dedicated professional service on behalf of the Borough, its residents and the public at large.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that the Mayor and Council hereby accept Mr. Falzarano's resignation from the position of Borough Administrator effective June 10, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Borough Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to confirm Mr. Falzarano's unused, accrued vacation leave and calculate the payment due to Mr. Falzarano upon separation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all Borough officials are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Council President Fife moved to approve Resolution #17-170. Council Member Resto seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #17-170 was approved unanimously.

Mayor Harris asked Council Member Helfrich to proceed with Resolution #17-171.

Council Member Helfrich read Resolution #17-171.

RESOLUTION #17-171

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION AND THE PUBLIC MEETING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that it shall adjourn into closed session to discuss the following subject matter(s) without the presence of the public in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 10:4-12b:

Personnel Matters— Mayor Harris

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the matter(s) discussed will be made known to the public at such time as appropriate action is taken on said matter(s), and when disclosure will not result in unwarranted invasion of individual privacy or prejudice to the best interests of the Borough of Chatham, provided such disclosures will not violate Federal, State or local statutes and does not fall within the attorney-client privilege. The Borough Council will not return to public session after this closed session and having no other business Mayor Harris adjourned the public meeting.

A vote was taken and Resolution #17-171 was approved unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

James L. Lott, Jr.

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BOROUGH OF CHATHAM