

The Organizational Meeting of the 29th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held Monday, December 2, 2013 at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

Minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** By Mayor David R. Martin, per Charter § C3-10-11.
2. **INVOCATION:** By The Rev. Dr. Tommie Jackson
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Led by Mayor David R. Martin
4. **ROLL CALL:** By Administrative Assistant Valerie Pankosky. There were 39 members present and 1 member excused (Rep. Wallace).
5. **OATH OF OFFICE:** Mayor Martin administered the Oath of Office.
 - a. The Mayor appoints two Temporary Tellers. Mayor Martin appointed Eileen Heaphy and Kieran Ryan as Temporary Tellers.
 - b. The Mayor entertains motions for a Temporary Chairperson. Rep. Fountain moved to appoint John Zelinsky as Temporary Chair; said motion was seconded.
 - c. Vote is held on the election of the Temporary Chairperson. The vote to appoint John Zelinsky as Temporary Chairperson was approved unanimously (Rep. Zelinsky abstaining).
6. **TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON** takes chair.
 - a. Temporary Chairperson entertains motions for a Temporary Clerk. Rep. Buckman moved to appoint Marion McGarry as Temporary Clerk; said motion was seconded.
 - b. Vote is held on election of Temporary Clerk. The vote to appoint Marion McGarry as Temporary Clerk was approved unanimously.
 - c. Adoption of Rules of Order for the 29th Board of Representatives ([28th Board Rules](#)). Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Rules of the

28th Board of Representatives were adopted unanimously (Rep. McGarry abstaining).

7. NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT of the 29th Board of Representatives. Rep. Fountain moved to elect Randall M. Skigen as President of the Board; said motion was seconded.

a. Vote on election of President of the Board. Randall M. Skigen was unanimously approved as President of the Board.

8. PRESIDENT takes chair.

a. President appoints two Tellers and two Alternate Tellers. President Skigen appointed Reps. Quinones and McMullen as permanent tellers and Reps. Buckman and Ryan as alternate tellers.

b. President entertains motions for a permanent Clerk of the Board. Rep. Savage moved to elect Annie M. Summerville as Clerk of the Board; said motion was seconded.

c. Vote on election of a permanent Clerk. The motion to approve Annie M. Summerville as Clerk of the Board was approved unanimously.

d. Clerk takes over duties.

e. President announces the names of the Majority and Minority Leaders, who have been elected by their respective parties. President Skigen announced that the Democratic Caucus elected Elaine Mitchell as its Majority Leader and Gloria DePina and Marion McGarry as Deputy Majority Leaders. The Republican Caucus elected Mary Lisa Fedeli as its Minority Leader and Carl Franzetti and Frank Cerasoli as its Deputy Minority Leaders.

f. President appoints Parliamentarians. President Skigen appointed Harry Day and Brian Buckman as Parliamentarians.

g. President appoints Sergeant at Arms. President Skigen appointed Philip Giordano as Sergeant at Arms.

9. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES. The President appoints members to the Standing Committees, naming the chair of each Committee first. The Committees listed below are those of the 28th Board of Representatives.

a. Appointments Committee: (9 members) Annie M. Summerville and Anabel Figueroa, Co-Chairs; Carl Franzetti, Vice Chair; Jim Caterbone, Frank Cerasoli, Suzanne Doyle, Marion McGarry, Mary Savage and Ben Velishka.

b. Fiscal Committee: (11 members) Jay Fountain, Chair; Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair; Elise Coleman, Harry Day, Robert "Gabe" DeLuca, Monica Di Costanzo, Mary Fedeli, Anabel Figueroa, David Kooris, Elaine Mitchell and Keith Silver.

c. Legislative & Rules Committee: (9 members) Eileen Heaphy, Chair; Shella Merritt, Vice Chair, Harry Day, Suzanne Doyle, Elaine Mitchell, Gail Okun, Kieran Ryan, Keith Silver and John Zelinsky.

d. Personnel Committee: (9 members) Susan Nabel, Chair; Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair; Gloria DePina, Anabel Figueroa, Jay Fountain, JR McMullen, Valerie McNeil, Gail Okun and Mary Savage.

e. Land Use/URC Committee: (9 members) Harry Day and David Kooris, Co-Chairs, Jay Fountain, Marion McGarry, Valerie McNeil, Gail Okun, Cynthia Reeder, Kieran Ryan and Annie Summerville.

f. Operations Committee: (9 members) Joseph Coppola, Chair; John Zelinsky, Vice Chair; Terry Adams, Brien Buckman, Elise Coleman, Willy Giraldo, Dennis Mahoney, JR McMullen and Cynthia Reeder.

g. Public Safety and Health Committee: (9 members) Gloria DePina, Chair; Matthew Quinones, Vice Chair, Terry Adams, James Caterbone, Joseph Coppola, Willy Giraldo, Steven Kolenberg, Lila Wallace and John Zelinsky.

h. Parks and Recreation Committee: (9 members) James Caterbone and Marion McGarry, Co-Chairs; Gloria DePina, Suzanne Doyle, Philip Giordano, Eileen Heaphy, Dennis Mahoney, Susan Nabel and Kieran Ryan.

i. Education Committee: (9 members) Mary Savage, Chair; Brien Buckman, Frank Cerasoli, Monica Di Costanzo, Steven Kolenberg, Mavina Moore, Susan Nabel, Matthew Quinones and Benjamin Velishka.

j. Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee: (7 members) Elaine Mitchell, Chair; Lila Wallace, Vice Chair; Philip Giordano, Dennis Mahoney, Valerie McNeil, Mavina Moore and Mary Deery Uva.

k. Transportation Committee: (9 members) Robert "Gabe" DeLuca, Chair; Terry Adams, Vice Chair; Elise Coleman, Monica Di Costanzo, Carl Franzetti, Philip Giordano, Steven Kolenberg, David Kooris and Mavina Moore.

l. State & Commerce Committee: (7 members) Brien Buckman, Chair; Mary Uva, Vice Chair; Mary Fedeli, Eileen Heaphy, Shella Merritt, Matthew Quinones and Annie Summerville.

m. Steering Committee: Randall M. Skigen, Elaine Mitchell, Annie Summerville, Gloria DePina, Marion McGarry, Mary Fedeli, Frank Cerasoli, Carl Franzetti, Brien Buckman, James Caterbone, Joseph Coppola, Harry Day, Gabe DeLuca, Anabel Figueroa, Jay Fountain, Eileen Heaphy, David Kooris, Susan Nabel and Mary Savage.

10. SPECIAL COMMITTEES. The President names and appoints members to Special Committees, if necessary. President Skigen appointed Carl Franzetti to the Anti-Blight Committee; Hershellar Merritt to the Enterprise Zone; Mary Uva to the WPCA; Annie Summerville and Harry Day to OTHRA; Jay Fountain to the Smith House Board; Frank Cerasoli to the School Building Committee. President Skigen will serve on CERF (with Mary Fedeli as a backup) and will serve on OPEB with Mary Fedeli. President Skigen will also serve on SEMS, the DSSD and the Camera Review Committee. Harry Day will continue to serve on the Mill River Collaborative.

11. CALENDAR.

RESOLUTION; approving the 2014 Board of Representatives Calendar – Regular Board Meetings and Steering Committee Meetings.
11/25/13 – Submitted by President Skigen

**APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

This meeting is on video.