

**Township of Nutley
Board of Commissioners
Re-Organization Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 20, 2008 @ 12:00 P.M.**

The re-organization meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley was held in the 3rd floor Commission Chambers and called to order. Adequate notification was published in the official newspapers of the Township of Nutley. All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call was taken.

NUTLEY HIGH SCHOOL CHAMBER SINGERS:

The Nutley High School Chamber Singers sang the “Star Spangled Banner” and “Celtic Blessings.”

Mayor Cocchiola thanked Mr. Cundari and the Chambers Singers.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:

Evelyn Rosario, Municipal Clerk read the following statement, “Pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law (Chapter 271, P.L. 1975), notice of this meeting was published in the December 13, 2007 issues of the Nutley Sun, the Journal, the Star Ledger and the Herald News. A copy of this notice has been posted on the Nutley Town Hall bulletin board and a copy is on file in the Municipal Clerk’s Office.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Thomas J. Evans	- Present
Commissioner Mauro G.Tucci	- Present
Commissioner Carmen A. Orechio	- Absent
Commissioner Peter C. Scarpelli	- Present
Mayor Joanne Cocchiola Cocchiola	- Present

Mayor Cocchiola noted the presence of and welcomed the dignitaries in the audience: Senator Kevin O’Toole, newly-elected Councilman P.J. McDonald of Belleville, former Commissioner Walter Smith and former Commissioner Sam Battaglia. Mayor Cocchiola mentioned that Assemblyman Fred Scalera could not be in attendance.

INVOCATION:

Reverend Pamela Bakal: Let us pray. Oh gracious and ever-loving God, we are gathered here today in celebration for the men and women who have been elected to fill the honored and important offices of Mayor and Commissioners in this Township of Nutley. And we also come together in thanksgiving for those who have so faithfully served this office, Commissioner Orechio and Commissioner Scarpelli. Through your grace we pray that you bestow on our Commissioners great humility, uncompromising integrity, and devotion to public service, characteristics which are valued by God and by all people. Give to them new insight and to your purposes for the human race, and new wisdom in making provisions for its’ future. Give to them a spirit of wisdom and charity and justice that they may faithfully serve in their offices to promote the well-being of all people and especially those who need them the most. Guide all of the officials in

this community especially those just starting their terms of office, all those who assist and work in this great town that together all of us can make Nutley an even finer place to live. Let us also take time to offer our prayers for their families that they may be a support to them in these challenging times and understanding of the many tasks that they will have ahead of them. Today, May 20th, it is a new day. May it herald a new future – a future where we see opportunity for one and all for the glorious God and all humankind. Amen.

Mayor Cocchiola: We have an unusual circumstance this morning in that we will be losing two of our longest serving members of the Board of Commissioners as we move forward as a Board. Commissioner and former Mayor Pete Scarpelli, with almost 25 years of service, and Commissioner, former Mayor, Senator, and dean of our Board, Carmen Orechio with 40 years of service. The members of our existing Board would like to take a moment to recognize the contributions of our friends and colleagues. I would note that several weeks ago we honored Commissioner Scarpelli, with a resolution and celebration in his honor. We have a presentation and resolution also that we will be presenting to Commissioner Orechio at a later date since he was unable to be with us here this morning. I really believe that we are so fortunate in this town to have the benefit of the dedicated and caring men who have served before us. It's the result of their foresight that we have this wonderful community that we are all able to share today. I've been vocal in telling Commissioner Scarpelli that my introduction to being a member of this Board was really a wonderful experience for me when he served as Mayor and I was a Commissioner. He said he would mentor me and he did. As for Carmen Orechio, he is a true gentleman and a statesman and he has devoted his entire life to this community. His friendships, his connections, his reputation all over the State have been a tremendous benefit to this Board of Commissioners for many, many years. The knowledge and the wisdom of both Commissioner Scarpelli and Commissioner Orechio will be truly missed by all of us. And I am really grateful to have had the opportunity to serve with both of them.

Commissioner Evans: Thank you Mayor. I apologize if I cough. I am dealing with a cold. Pete, as you know, I've said this everywhere I've gone. It's been a pleasure and an honor working with you. We've solved some pretty difficult issues together. You've always been there. Your advice I would characterize as sage advice from someone who is a learned colleague one who has displayed leadership throughout your career. I will truly miss you. I will obviously continue to seek your counsel always. I appreciate everything you've done, not only for the Township, but for me personally and for my dad. And once again I will always remember the stories about my dad. As I said last time, things that my dad probably didn't want me to know so I appreciate all of that. So my friend, congratulations and enjoy retirement. With regard to Commissioner Orechio, Carmen is an extraordinary statesman. He served at every level of government. His relationships have actually progressed through the federal level. He has been an enormous asset to the town. He has dedicated his life selflessly to the Township and especially to those who are in great need. You will always hear stories about the State Senator who drove because somebody needed a bus driver or the individual who needed help and how he got up in the middle of the night to go help them. His leadership has been present for as long as I can remember. He's a devoted friend and a special colleague and I will miss him. But I also thank him for all that he's done and recognize that after years of public service that he now has the opportunity to take on a new challenge and that's concentrating on some thing that is good for him personally. I wish him well and again, I will miss him. Thank you.

Commissioner Tucci: Commissioner Peter Scarpelli, Pete, it's been both an honor and a privilege serving with you the past 8 years. I think you brought a uniqueness to this body in the fine tradition of all the Nutley Commissioners that have come before you. I thank you for your 25 years of service. I thank you for your openness. I thank you for the way you kept everyone involved – you kept everyone aware. You are truly one of the finest Mayors this Township has ever had. Your counsel is invaluable. I know you're not going far. You'll be spending a couple days down the shore with your lovely wife. But when you're back I'm sure we'll get together and I'm sure we'll continue the way we started eight years ago. All the best to you in your retirement. As for Commissioner Orechio, Commissioner Orechio has dedicated 40 years of his life to this Township probably more than anyone, and that was 40 years of elected life. God knows how many years he gave to Nutley prior to that. He's a great man and he's been a great person for the Township of Nutley. The things that he has done publicly and privately for this Township some of us know and are aware of them, some of us will never be aware of everything that he's done but he's a wonderful individual who's definitely made an impact on the Township and someone I will always turn to for counsel and guidance and I wish him well in his retirement.

Commissioner Scarpelli: Well, with mixed emotions I'm looking forward to my retirement. I'm sad about my colleague for 24 years who I sat together with for years. I'm going to miss him. We go back way before elections. I bought my first vehicle from Carmen Orechio. It was a little old Ford that he had and I treasured that vehicle and Carmen's love for vehicles and I bought myself a little one. A 1954 thing we rode around in. With that Ford from Carmen Orechio I met my lovely wife. But it's a long story and I wish this Board all the love in the world. Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci, Mayor Cocchiola, Commissioner Petracco, and Commissioner Scarpelli, hopefully will carry out the tradition that was set forth before I got here by Commissioner Cocchiola and Commissioner Orechio and Commissioner Chenoweth and we could go on and on. But I thank you very much. It's been a long run and I'm going to be sitting in the back and (inaudible). Thank you very much.

NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY:

The Mayor requested the newly-elected members of the Governing Body to be seated.

RESOLUTION:

No. 153A-08 "BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, NJ that all resolutions heretofore voted upon and passed by the individual Commissioners are hereby ratified and passed subsequently to the members being duly sworn into office"

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

SWEARING IN NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY:

At this point in the meeting Evelyn Rosario, Municipal Clerk administered the oaths of office to each newly elected member of the Governing Body.

Commissioner Joseph P. Scarpelli
Commissioner Alphonse Petracco
Commissioner Thomas J. Evans

Commissioner Mauro G. Tucci
Commissioner Joanne Cocchiola

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Joanne Cocchiola be appointed as Mayor of the Township of Nutley.

Introduced by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

At this point in the meeting Evelyn Rosario, Municipal Clerk administered the oath of office to Joanne Cocchiola Mayor Township of Nutley

RESOLUTIONS:

Appointments Newly Elected Members of the Governing Body

No. 154-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Joseph P. Scarpelli be appointed as Director of Public Works.

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 155-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Alphonse Petracco be appointed as Director of Public Safety.

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 156-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Thomas J. Evans be appointed as Director of Revenue and Finance.

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 157-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Mauro G. Tucci be appointed as Director of Parks and Public Property.

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 158-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Joanne Cocchiola be appointed as Director of Public Affairs.

Introduced by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

RESOLUTIONS/DEPARTMENT ASSIGNMENTS:

No. 159-08 THAT it is hereby determined by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley that all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the following positions and committees, and to other items as listed in the Department of Revenue and Finance in the Budget of 2008, except as modified by this resolution, shall be exercised and performed by the Department of Revenue and Finance, and that all the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the said functions and committees as listed hereafter be and the same are hereby assigned to the

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND FINANCE; namely

Municipal Clerk	Computer Service Technician
Deputy Municipal Clerk	Construction Code Official/Zoning
Principal Clerk	Building Subcode Official
Clerk Typist	Plumbing Subcode Official
Tax Collector	Electrical Subcode Official
Assistant Municipal Tax Collector	Building Inspectors
Tax Searcher/Typist	Technical Assistant-Code Enforcement
Cashiers (3)	Senior Clerk Typists–Code Enforcement
Tax Collector	Permit Clerks Typing – Code Enforcement
Treasurer CFO	Clerk-Code Enforcement (P/T)
Executive Assistant	Water Billing
Administrative Secretary	Water Billing Supervisor
Principal Payroll Clerk	Water Billing Account Clerk
Account Clerk	Traffic Safety Coordinator
Purchasing Agent	
Senior Purchasing Agent	
Financial Network Administrators – Part Time	
Tax Assessor	
Assessing Clerk-Typing	
Assistant Tax Assessor	
Administrative Secretary to Director	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed.

Introduced by Commissioner Scarpelli, seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 160-08 THAT it is hereby determined by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley that all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the following positions and committees, and to other items as listed in the Department of Parks and Public Property in the Budget of 2008, except as modified by this resolution, shall be exercised and performed by the Department of Parks and Public Property, and that all the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the said functions and committees as listed hereafter be and the same are hereby assigned to the DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY; namely

Superintendent of Parks and Recreation	Recreation Center Directors
Secretary – Administrator to Director	Assistant Recreation Director
Switchboard Operators	Account Clerk
Senior Clerk Typists	Events Coordinator
General Park Supervisor	Adult Day Care Supervisor
Park Supervisor	Adult Day Care Leaders
Park Supervisor	Adult Care Aides
Garage Attendant	
Clerk Typists	All Insurance/Liability Matters including, but not limited to:
Principal Clerk Typists	a) The Joint Insurance Fund
Benefits Coordinator	b) The Municipal Excess Liability Fund
Automotive Mechanic	c) Group Insurance for Employees (Health Insurance)
	d) Dental Insurance
Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds	
Building Maintenance Workers	Sports Officials
Senior Building Maintenance Workers	a) Recreation Supervisors
Mason	b) Special Recreation/Education Instructor
Carpenter	c) Gymnasium Supervisors
Shade Tree Supervisor	d) Nutley Memorial Parkway Committee
Tree Climbers	e) Shade Tree Committee
Tree Trimmers	f) Laborers - Seasonal
Senior Clerk Typist-Shade Tree Division	
Recreation Director	Special Transportation Programs
Senior Citizen Director	Jitney Transportation Programs
Senior Citizen Transportation Program	
Recreation Evening Director	
Bus Drivers	
Recreation Leaders	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed.

Introduced by Commissioner Petracco, seconded by Commissioner Scarpelli. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 161-08 THAT it is hereby determined by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley that all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the following positions and committees, and to other items as listed in the Public Affairs Department in the Budget of 2008, except as modified by this resolution, shall be exercised and performed by the Public Affairs Department, and that all the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the said positions and committees as listed hereafter be and the same are hereby assigned to the PUBLIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT; namely

Assistant to the Director
Health Officer
Registrar of Vital Statistics
Sanitary Inspectors
Graduate Nurses in Public Health
Town Physician
Health Physician
Town Pediatrician
Clerk Typist
Secretary to Director
Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics
Senior Clerk
Clerk Typists
Director Consumer Affairs
Director of Welfare
Local Assistance Board
Garbage and Trash Removal
Dog Regulation
Mental Health Program
Services of Nutley Family Service Bureau
Aid to NJ Association for Retarded Children
Air Pollution Control
Civic Pride Committee
Women's Initiative of Nutley
Health Clinics
Community Mental Health Services of Belleville, Bloomfield & Nutley
Care Committee
Community Health and Mentoring Program
Municipal Alliance

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed.

Introduced by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 164-08 WHEREAS, the so called Commission Government Act, or as it is sometimes known as the Walsh Act, entitled: "An Act Relating to Regulating and Providing for the Government of Cities, Towns, Boroughs and other Municipalities within

the State, approved April 25, 1911, was duly adopted by the voters of the Township of Nutley, in May, 1912; and

WHEREAS, by the mandatory provisions of said Act and Acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof, it becomes the duty of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, to determine the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative authority and duties in the Township of Nutley into and among the departments as the Board of Commissioners in its judgment, seems appropriate; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley by determination of powers and duties to be performed by each department and the assignments thereof to departments, public service will be benefited; and

WHEREAS, the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative control of certain offices and their powers and duties is now vested in the Board of Commissioners

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley that all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the following positions and committees shall be exercised and performed by the Mayor, and that all the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the said position and committees as listed hereafter be and the same are hereby assigned to the MAYOR; namely

Judge of the Municipal Court – to be appointed with the approval of the Board of Commissioners

Township Attorney – to be appointed with the approval of the Board of Commissioners

Township Prosecutor

Public Defender

Senior Citizen Housing Program

Community Development Block Grant Program

Library Board of Trustees

Zoning Board of Adjustment and Board of Adjustment Attorney

Planning Board and Planning Board Attorney

Rent Leveling Board and Rent Leveling Board Attorney

Holiday Tree Lighting Committee

Nutley Veteran's Council

Brotherhood Committee – Civic Celebrations Committee

Essex County Mayor's Conference

Appointment of Local Assistance Board, with approval of the Board of Commissioners

Citizens Advisory Group

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed.

Introduced by Commissioner Evans, Seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 162-08 THAT it is hereby determined by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley that all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the following positions and committees, and to other items as listed in the PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT in the Budget of 2008, except as modified by this resolution, shall be exercised and performed by the PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT and that all the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the said functions and committees as listed hereafter be and the same are hereby assigned to the PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT; namely

Assistant to the Director
Municipal Court Administrator
Deputy Court Administrator
Violations Clerk
Assistant Violations Clerks
Recorder, Operator, Clerk Typist (P/T)
Superintendent of Weights & Measures
Volunteer Emergency & Rescue Squad
Municipal Magistrate
Chief of Police & Deputy Chief of Police
Captain
Lieutenants & Detective Lieutenants
Sergeants & Detective Sergeants
Police Officers & Detectives
Special Officers & Detectives
Special Officers (School, Traffic Guards)
Special Officers (Elections)

Secretarial, Assistant/Typing
Secretary to Police Chief
Police Records Clerks
Management Assistant
Fire Department Chief
Deputy Chief – Fire Department
Fire Captains & Firefighters

Assistant Chiefs-Fire Department
Fire Department Secretary
Police & Fire Signal System Supt.
Fire Department Volunteers
Mechanic
Mechanic Helper
Police Matron (P/T)
Clerk Stenographer
Sr. Clerk Stenographer
Sr. Clerk Typists
Clerk
Clerk (P/T)
Emergency Management
CERT
Police Youth Organization
Junior Police
Highway Traffic Coordinator
Comm.
Communications Operators

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed.

Introduced by Commissioner Tucci, seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 163-08 THAT it is hereby determined by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley that all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the following positions and committees, and to other items as listed in the Public Works Department in the Budget of 2008, except as modified by this resolution, shall be exercised and performed by the Public Works Department, and that all the executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority and duties relating to the said functions and committees as listed hereafter be and the same are hereby assigned to the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT; namely

Municipal Engineer
Engineering Coordinator/Inspector
Clerk Typist
Account Clerks
Administrative Clerk
Assistant Street & Sewer Superintendent
Superintendent Mechanical Equipment & Repair
Mechanic and Welder
Conservation Committee
Equipment Operators

Assistant Road Supervisor
Sewer Foreman
Assistant Water Superintendent
Water Meter Readers
Municipal Parking Lots
Parking Lot Attendants
Street Lighting
Recycling Program
Senior Traffic Maintenance Worker
Senior Engineer Aides
Clerk Stenographers
Computer Operator
Secretary to Department Head
Public Works Superintendent
Mechanics

Street and Sewer Foreman
Road Supervisor
Road Repairmen
Sewer Maintenance Workers
Water Department Foreman
Water Repairer
Groundskeeper
Nutley Environmental

Passaic Valley Sewer
Commission
Traffic Maintenance Worker
On-Street Maintenance Worker
Traffic Maintenance Worker
Laborer

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed.

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, Seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

RESOLUTIONS:

165-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Kevin P. Harkins, Esq. a member of the firm McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, LLP be appointed Municipal Township Attorney for the Township of Nutley for the remainder of this year (December 31, 2008).

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, Seconded by Commissioner Scarpelli. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 166-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Alan Genitempo, Esq. be appointed Prosecutor/Assistant Municipal Attorney for the Township of Nutley for the remainder of this year (December 31, 2008).

Introduced by Mayor Cocchiola, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 167-08 WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-14 mandates that the governing body of municipal corporation shall, by resolution, passed by a majority vote of the full membership thereof, designate as a depository for its monies a bank or trust company having its place of business in the State and organized under the laws of the U.S. or this State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on the 20th day of May, 2008, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County Essex, New Jersey that:

1. Commerce Bank
Cap One/North Fork Bank
Citibank, N.A.
Valley National Bank
TD Banknorth, N.A.
Wachovia Bank
Bank of New York
New Jersey Cash Management Fund

are hereby designated as depositories for the Township of Nutley.

2. Prior to the deposit of any municipal funds in the above mentioned depositories, said bank shall file with the Chief Financial Officer a statement indicating that the bank is covered under the Government Units Deposit Protection Act (R.S. 17:9-41).

Introduced by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 168-08 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, New Jersey that the following Township Officials are hereby authorized to sign checks or withdrawal slips where a combination of three principal signatures are required:

*MAYOR OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
AND
TOWNSHIP CLERK OR CLERK TYPIST
AND
TREASURER/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OR PURCHASING AGENT*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that signature cards with the signatures of the persons authorized to sign be forward to all Township Depositories.

Introduced by Commissioner Evans, Seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 169-08 WHEREAS, it is desirable that idle funds of the Township of Nutley be invested in legal investment vehicles at all times, and

WHEREAS, it is occasionally necessary to transfer funds for the purpose of meeting current Township expenses or for the purpose of effecting investments,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, New Jersey, that it does hereby authorize the Chief Financial Officer to request bids and to place orders for the investment of idle fund solely in legally authorized investment vehicles, such investments to the investing institution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above named Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to transfer funds by wire solely for the following purposes and subject to all pertinent regulations:

1. To or from Township checking account to other Township Accounts
2. To or from Township checking or savings accounts to or from accounts specified by banks or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Funds solely for the purpose of investing for the account of the Township of Nutley.
3. From Township checking accounts solely for the purpose of making payment of current Township expenses which have been approved for payment.

Introduced by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 170-08 WHEREAS, for the convenience of the Township of Nutley it is deemed advisable that checks drawn on Commerce Bank be signed by affixing a facsimile signature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, New Jersey, that Commerce Bank is hereby authorized to honor, for the account of and to the debit of the Township of Nutley each check or draft for the payment of money (inclusive of any such as may be payable to any of the officers hereinafter specified) bearing a facsimile signature of the following:

SPECIMEN SIGNATURE

Mayor

Township Clerk

Chief Financial Officer

so long as said checks contain one manual authorized signature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bank may rely on these resolutions until the receipt by the Bank of a certified copy of a resolution by the Board of Commissioners revoking the same, the Township expressly assuming all risks involved in any unauthorized uses of such facsimile signatures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk be and is hereby directed to furnish Commerce Bank with a certified copy of this resolution.

Introduced by Commissioner Tucci seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 171-08 WHEREAS, for the convenience of the Township of Nutley it is deemed advisable that checks drawn on Valley National Bank be signed by affixing a facsimile signature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, New Jersey, that Valley National Bank is hereby authorized to honor, for the account of and to the debit of the Township of Nutley each check or draft for the payment of money (inclusive of any such as may be payable to any of the officers hereinafter specified) bearing a facsimile signature of the following:

SPECIMEN SIGNATURE

Mayor

Township Clerk

Chief Financial Officer

so long as said checks contain one manual authorized signature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bank may rely on these resolutions until the receipt by the Bank of a certified copy of a resolution by the Board of Commissioners revoking the same, the Township expressly assuming all risks involved in any unauthorized uses of such facsimile signatures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk be and is hereby directed to furnish Valley National Bank with a certified copy of this resolution.

Introduced by Commissioner Tucci seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

No. 172-08 WHEREAS, for the convenience of the Township of Nutley it is deemed advisable that checks drawn on Cap One Bank be signed by affixing a facsimile signature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, New Jersey, that Cap One Bank is hereby authorized to honor, for the account of and to the debit of the Township of Nutley each check or draft for the payment of money (inclusive of any such as may be payable to any of the officers hereinafter specified) bearing a facsimile signature of the following:

SPECIMEN SIGNATURE

Mayor

Township Clerk

Chief Financial Officer

so long as said checks contain one manual authorized signature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bank may rely on these resolutions until the receipt by the Bank of a certified copy of a resolution by the Board of Commissioners revoking the same, the Township expressly assuming all risks involved in any unauthorized uses of such facsimile signatures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk be and is hereby directed to furnish Cap One Bank with a certified copy of this resolution.

Introduced by Commissioner Tucci seconded by Commissioner Evans. All Ayes on a roll call vote. Commissioner Scarpelli, Commissioner Petracco, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Tucci and Mayor Cocchiola

At this point in the meeting Evelyn Rosario, Municipal Clerk administered the oath of office to Kevin P. Harkins, Esq., Township Attorney and Alan Genitempo, Esq., Prosecutor

STATEMENTS BY THE GOVERNING BODY:

Commissioner Scarpelli: Mayor, Commissioners, Commissioners Battaglia, Smith, and Scarpelli, Senator O'Toole, County Executive DiVincenzo, Councilman McDonald, honored guests, Reverend Clergy. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Nutley for allowing me the privilege to serve them over the next four years. I am grateful to each and every person who took the time to explore my candidacy and my ideas for improving the Township of Nutley. I especially want to thank the many individuals who were instrumental in making my campaign a success. There are so many of you here that it would be impossible to name you all but I sincerely appreciate the effort made by each of you. I would be remiss if I did not recognize my family. My wife Sue, my children Salvatore who is back in Philadelphia and will graduate college tomorrow, Arielle and

Gianna, my mom and dad, my in-laws, my Uncle Ralph, my Uncle Vito and Aunt Jo, and all my cousins. Thank you for your patience, understanding and for you always being there for me. I would like to congratulate my colleagues along with all the candidates for extending their time and effort. As I look around this Chamber, even though I am newly-elected, so much of my life revolves around this room. Not only spending time here myself, but many of the people who influenced my life spent many hours in here. As a young child I can remember many of our family celebrations being scheduled around town meetings. My grandfather was a fixture at these meetings. Not as a Commissioner but sitting in the first row questioning the Commissioners and keeping an eye on how the tax money was spent. The names Lucy, Chenoweth, Orechio, DeMuro, Jernick, Ludwig and Cocchiola were names frequently heard around the dinner table. My grandfather was an inspiration to me. He encouraged hard work, the value of education, and the importance of community service. He ran for the Board of Commissioners four times – 1964, 1968, 1976, and 1980, never winning, the last two times finishing 6th. A spot, for the most part of last Tuesday, I thought I was destined to finish. He did see his son reach the elected position that eluded him and we know he's been watching over us guiding his son to become the 14th Mayor and now his grandson to become a Nutley Commissioner. In 1972 he didn't run and he supported the re-election of Carmen Orechio. To my grandfather, Carmen had been a foe who became a friend as Carmen fought unsuccessfully to have my grandfather appointed to fill an unexpired term. To me Carmen was someone to be admired, a Nutley resident who rose from the ranks to become a Commissioner, Senator, Senate President, and acting Governor. His love of Nutley was never a question. My first personal recollection of Carmen was when I was a youngster. I was walking home with my friend Anthony Diamenti and his Uncle Carmen drove us home. I was finally able to put a face to a name that I heard my whole life. Over the years I got to know Carmen in many capacities. For over 40 years Carmen has been a part of our lives in Nutley. Carmen, thank you for demonstrating the heights that someone from our little town could have aspired to. On behalf of the people from Nutley, thank you for 40 years of service and dedication to our community. Carmen's cousin, and the Mayor's father, Frank Cocchiola, was another of the men who left an indelible impression on me. I knew Frank as a patient, fellow Unican, and through politics. Frank was a wealth of knowledge. Many days we would sit and talk Nutley history, state and local politics, and the early struggles of Italian-Americans in this town. Frank, along with a few others, paved the way for many of us. A charter member of Nutley Unico, service on the Board of Education and the Board of Commissioners, the Third Half Club, and Nutley Family Service Bureau, Frank was always humble. He was a true public servant and we miss him. The next person who greatly impacted my life and left us entirely too quickly and too young was my brother Mike. He was my grounding force. (Inaudible) he knew how to bring you down to earth in words that can't be spoken here today. Whenever he got weak, he knew how to make you strong. He was mature beyond his years, smart beyond his education. I think of him every day. I love him and I miss him. The person who has had the most influence on my life, is my hero and my dad. For over 20 years he has served our community as Commissioner and as our Mayor. I think today would be a perfect time to acknowledge some of his accomplishments. Way before some towns even thought about recycling, he initiated it working weekly curbside recycling programs. We have the most efficient snow removal and plowing program in Essex County. He added two parking lots to our downtown. He recognized the opportunity to add a pedestrian walkway to the parking lot behind the west end of Franklin Avenue. He started negotiating with the landlord. We now see the blossoming of new restaurants in part because of that walkway and his

decisive action. The Franklin Avenue Streetscape Project, grant funded, was expanded not only to include the Oval but Booth Drive, the Library, Chestnut Street and Town Hall. He brought the fireworks back to the Oval. He initiated Swing Night. He implemented Family Day. He presided over the Centennial Celebration and raised money privately for the placement of the Centennial Clock on Franklin Avenue. On behalf of the citizens of Nutley, thank you for your service. If I can accomplish half of what he has, I consider myself successful. As I sit in this chair broken in by my father, and look around this historic Chamber and reflect on the past, we must look to the future. We must take the lessons learned from those that came before us and apply them to solve the problems we face. We must put the campaigns behind us and get on with the business of governing. There will be many obstacles and challenges ahead of us and we must work together to resolve these issues. The spirit of cooperation must extend not only between our individual departments but also to include the Board of Education. During the campaign I gave my views on how the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Education could cooperate and become more efficient. They must go beyond talk and into action which is why I already arranged to have bi-weekly meetings between the Public Works Department and the Board of Education to explore what ongoing efforts can be made to share resources and help each other with a project. We must encourage partnerships between ourselves and other municipalities, the County, the private sector, and our State. It is vital that all these entities work to investigate where the opportunities exist, become more efficient and eventually save taxpayers money. I pledge to work with all of you towards the betterment of Nutley. Together we could make a difference. Together we could meet the challenges that face us in the future. Together we can make sure that Nutley remains the town that we all love. Thank you.

Commissioner Petracco: Mine is going to be a lot shorter than that Joe. I'd like to say one thing before I get started. A lot of people don't know this. I did go to school with Joe's brother and I do too miss him greatly. Starting off, I'd like to thank everyone for coming, my family, my mother and father, my wife, my brothers, my friends, and I'd also like to thank my staff who worked really diligently to see me get elected. I can't thank them enough. I'd also like to thank Pete Scarpelli for the many talks we had in my deli before the campaign and before the election. And I can tell you this, I will need your advice and I greatly appreciate it. I did have a speech prepared but taking Carmen Orechio's seat as you all know, is a big responsibility for me to uphold that respect and what he has done for this town. Carmen and I met probably 35 years ago and I was delivering newspapers. We met by accident. I walked into his mother's house and he startled me and I startled him. I have the utmost respect for him. It's a very sweet and sour day for me today taking this seat but I'd like everyone to know in this room that I respect that man an awful lot and for what he's done for our town. I'd like to recognize someone else. When I grew up I played a lot of sports. There was a man by the name of Frank Cocchiola that was always in the background and I know he's looking down and I've said this many a times to his family - if I could be half the Commissioner he was and the things that he did I'll be doing pretty good. In closing, I'd just like to thanks to everyone for coming. I can't say how grateful I am to the Township of Nutley for electing me to this position. Public Safety is obviously a big responsibility and I'll let my actions speak for myself. Thank you.

Commissioner Evans: First I want to thank my family for being here. My sister Kathy is here, my twin brother Ted and my younger brother Kenny are sitting in the audience. I'm especially happy that my son Andrew is here. I found that one of the greatest honor that

one has is the ability to hold yourself out and be accountable to others in public service. And it's something that I truly treasure and I honor. I frequently said that the values that I live by are integrity, teamwork, mutual respect, and personal accountability. I brought this to my office everyday as a reminder of the responsibility that I carry being the Revenue and Finance Commissioner but also being an elected official. I am very humbled by the support that I received by the voters this past election. I'm trying to remember this but I'm not quite certain but I think the last time a Revenue and Finance Commissioner was elected to a second term goes back at least 20 years. So keep it going. It's a nice trend. But it's been a long time and I think about that quite a bit. And I hope to take into my second term the strength of knowing that the voters have asked me to come back I will continue to use my ability for the good of the Township in everything that I do. It's important for me to recognize that my son Andrew who is 14, he and I do this together because it's quite a bit of sacrifice. There's times when dad should be home and I'm not home. There's times when I have to count on him to take care of something for the house and he does. So I'm especially proud of the fact that he's here today and he stood by me as we went through this because I couldn't do this if it wasn't for him. I'm very grateful to those who have volunteered their time to help me get re-elected. An election has many campaigns and there's a lot of personal sacrifice as you go through that so I really want to thank the members of my committee who actually invested their personal time and belief in the fact that I could be a good Commissioner and come back. So I thank you very much for what you've done.

Commissioner Tucci: First I'd like to congratulate all my colleagues here today. I know the campaign season is over. Now we get down to the work of governing. We always do what's right for the Township of Nutley and I don't expect anything to change in the coming four years. First and foremost, I need to thank the people of the Township of Nutley for having the faith and the trust in me to elect me to a third term. I'm very humbled, I'm very gratified and just remember, I will always do what's right for the Township of Nutley. Being a Commissioner takes a lot of time and dedication. It also takes a lot of time away from your family. So first I need to thank my immediate family - my wife, Linda, all of my children, three of which are with me today, Gina, Josephine, and Gerard for everything they put up with, all the time away from home but they understand that this is an important job and a major responsibility that deserves a lot of time and attention. So I thank all of you for that and I love all of you for that. My brothers and sisters who are here with me today, my sisters-in-law, my nieces, my nephews, everyone who had been involved not only with the campaign but also with the governing of this Township be it in the form of advice, suggestions, or what-have-you. All of your comments are very valuable and I thank you for that. One sibling in particular who I need to thank who has put his heart and soul into everything that we have done and continues to do so, the baby of our family, Gerard, who I'd like to publicly acknowledge for all the hard work that he's done. Thank you very much Gerard. My Parks Department family and all the supporters that we've come in contact with over the years, it's really unique when you have a department such as ours that pulls together so wonderfully and cooperates with all the other departments in the way that we do, not only to save the Township money but to do what's right for the Township and to make sure that the government is efficient and as effective as it can be. I can pledge to you today that I will continue all the good work that we've started over the past eight years. I look forward to serving in the coming four years and I know that together we will assure that Nutley continues to be the prosperous and wonderful community that it is. Thank you very much.

Mayor Cocchiola: Members of the Clergy, distinguished guests, colleagues, and friends, I think I would first like to commend every single candidate who ran for office in this last election. Running for office, as we all know, is really a true challenge. It takes much courage and strength to put ourselves out there the way that we have. Every single candidate in this last election is a personal friend or acquaintance of mine. We were before, we will be as we continue. Each candidate has shown a great level of commitment to this community and a love for our Township and each one of them should be commended for their efforts and their care and concern. I'd like to thank from the bottom of my heart the people of this community for their faith, their trust, and their confidence for re-electing me to serve on this Board for another four years and particularly to serve as Mayor. I am truly overwhelmed and humbled by the results of this election. I love what I do every single day. I say that all the time and to know that others recognize that and appreciate the efforts, makes it truly worthwhile, not that it wasn't before but it does feel good. I look forward with great excitement to working with the members of this newly-elected Board to do what's best for Nutley and I am certain that every single one of us share the same goals for this community. Just to make the record clear, Bill Jernick served as Mayor from May 16, 1944 to May of 1952 two terms and Harry Chenoweth, the beloved Harry Chenoweth, served for five consecutive terms as Mayor from 1952 to 1972, a record that I don't think anyone will ever break. But I do want to note that on this sheet of paper that I found in my desk files, in his handwriting in 1996 he wrote that 39 men have governed May 28, 1912 to May of 1996 and I think now it brings our total to 45 men and 1 woman. To all of those who have volunteered their time to assist me with this campaign in the last couple of months, including all those high school and college students and some of them I see here, I thank you, I don't know how to say thank you enough. You were always there for me for anything that I needed. It's truly, truly appreciated. I can't risk naming all of them individually and I won't here but please know that I am so thankful and grateful for all the help that you have given me. And to those who sat around that table with me every single week who gave up their time, who gave up their Mother's Day, who helped me with that fortune cookie idea I had, and who reached out to so many others on my behalf, I thank you Terry Ruffo, Kathy Remp, Sam and Michele Fleitell, Nancy Greulich, Mary and Mike Ryder, (Inaudible) and Rob Presuto, Doug Eisenfelder, Steve and Kathy Murphy, and my best friend, Kathy Korbanick. I am so lucky to have the wonderful friends that I have that surround me everyday and their friendship and their commitment to me was as strong now as it was eight years ago and throughout my entire lifetime and I thank you for that. And to Tom Barrett and Tony Mottola, there is nobody that does it better and I thank you for your loyalty and guidance. I saw Tom here before. I don't know if he's still here. I also want to thank my office staff at the Department of Public Affairs. We are a very small but a very mighty crew over there. When people ask me why I want to continue to direct the Department of Public Affairs, I have to say that it's simply a wonderful place to work. We only do good things for this community everyday and it is just a pleasure to work there. That staff, it's the smallest staff in the Township of Nutley, has taken on not only the departmental duties but the duties of the Office of the Mayor which there are a lot for these four years and I have to ask them to do it again so I truly, truly appreciate all of their efforts. I look forward to working with my staff, with this Board, and through committees with the people of our community to not only direct the work of my department but also to continue to bring some innovative and fun and some special programs and events to our town that will continue to distinguish us, as we have been, as one of the best communities in New Jersey in which to live. I am very, very proud of that. I think we all are. Finally to my family, two of my brothers are not here today. My sister-in-

law Patty is here, my aunt, my cousins, my nieces, my Uncle Ralph, my in-laws, my mother-in-law Sandy Oliver, Dana and Frank Motta, my sister-in-law, my brother-in-law, and Jennifer is not here today. I thank you so, so very much. But to Frank and Susan, there are no words that I could ever convey to express my appreciation for what my brother and my sister-in-law have done for me. Not only here but in every aspect of my life. I've had lots of ups and downs and they have always, always been there for me. We cannot be any closer than we are and I am so grateful to have them. And to my mother, Dottie, everybody knows that I owe my mom a tremendous gratitude. She is there everyday for me with anything I need and many times I need a lot and she's always there to help me and I know that this has been a tough road for her for the past few years but she has been there to head our family without the assistance of my dad. And to Ally, Matt, and little Ava Franchesca, I always hope that my work ethic will teach Ally and Matt the value of hard work and public service the same way I've learned it from my own mother and father. Ally and Matt had to overcome a lot of adversity in their lives as well but they have grown up to be wonderful young adults. And Ava is a very, very special gift to all of us, my entire family and all of my friends. And to my husband, Frank Oliver more commonly known to all of us as Frankie O, everybody knows that Frankie O has been a tremendous asset to me. He has been extremely supportive and helpful, as proud of me as I am proud of him for all the accomplishments that he has achieved in his lifetime and I am very, very grateful to have him as my partner. I thought that the night of my first election was phenomenal in 2000. And then came the second and I thought that we would never experience another night like that but last Tuesday night was a night that I will never forget except that one thing is missing and that one thing is one person. There is not a single day in my eight years serving this community and there has not been a single moment for the past few months that I have not missed my father tremendously and wished that he were here particularly today. I think that every person who was in that room with me last Tuesday night wished probably the same thing that he was there or that all they could think about was Frank Cocchiola. I think if you ask anyone who was there they would tell you it almost felt he was there for all of us. It was just a wonderful feeling. The thing that I really am most proud of is that my success really will mean that my father's name will forever be remembered in this community. That is the most important thing to me. I could not think of a better gift that I could give to him or my family to have that name remembered forever. So I thank you all from the bottom of my heart. I am truly grateful to be here and to be able to serve with these men on this Board of Commissioners for another four years. Thank you very much.

PRESENTATION:

Clerk Evelyn Rosario: Ann C. Mega, Office of the Honorable Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr. Ann, could you please come forward.

Ann C. Mega: I hope everyone will excuse my back for a few minutes. It's a pleasure to be here and on behalf of the Congressman who is in Washington, I would like to present all of you newly-elected Commissioners and Mayor, and particularly the Mayor because I've know Joanne for a long time, and I also think you're the only female Mayor in Essex County and I think that it's just marvelous that you've not only won the mayorship this term but back-to-back so I have tremendous respect for you and for the rest of you. You have all done a fantastic job and you certainly have been recognized by the Congressman, and if there is anything our office can do to help all of you or anyone of you, we are there for you. I thank you again.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

REMINDER:

The Next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 @ 6:30 P.M. Future meetings will all begin at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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