

TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
6101 THIRTEENTH STREET
MAYS LANDING, NJ
SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2014

A special meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton, Atlantic County, NJ was held on the above date with Mayor Roger Silva presiding. Members present were Aline Dix, Amy Gatto, Rodney Guishard, and Judy Link. Also present were Michael S. Jacobs, Township Administrator, and Joan I. Anderson, Township Clerk.

The meeting opened with the flag salute followed by the Township Clerk certifying compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law by posting a notice of the special meeting on the bulletin board in the municipal building and by publication of legal advertisements in the Press of Atlantic City and the Atlantic County Record and by e-mailing a copy of said notice along with the agenda for this meeting to the Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic County Record, Record Journal and Current newspapers stating this meeting would take place on Saturday, March 29, 2014 at 9:00 AM in the municipal building, Mays Landing, New Jersey for the purpose of a Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance #1764-2014 and appointment of a Lieutenant and a Sergeant of Police.

There being no questions or comments on the Ordinance, Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Link, that the public hearing be closed.

MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING "AYE", NO "NAY", AND NO "ABSTAIN".

Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Dix, that the following resolution be adopted.

WHEREAS, Ordinance #1764-2014 was introduced and passed first reading on March 17, 2014 and duly advertised in the March 19, 2014 issue of the Atlantic County Record for a public hearing to be held on Saturday, March 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing has been held as advertised and closed,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton that Ordinance #1764-2014 be and is hereby adopted.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING "YES", NO "NO" AND NO "ABSTAIN" ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

**TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
ORDINANCE NO.: 1764--2014**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXHIBIT A, SECTION 1
ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 66 OF THE CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, PROVIDING FOR THE
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has received notice that a Lieutenant in the Police Department will be retiring in the near future but after March 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the existing promotion lists for the rank of Lieutenant and Sergeant expire on March 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the process of developing new promotion lists can take six months or longer; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that it is the best interest of the Township to avoid waiting an extended period of time to backfill this Lieutenant position (and Sergeant position which is created by a promotion to Lieutenant) while waiting for a new promotion list to be developed; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the CHART OF ORGANIZATION, shall be amended as follows:

The Township Committee is temporarily amending the Township "CHART OF ORGANIZATION" for the purpose of allowing promoting one additional Lieutenant, and one additional Sergeant from the promotion lists currently in effect, with the understanding that should the Lieutenant not retire as planned, said promotions made as a result of this Ordinance shall be rescinded and the promoted officers shall be returned to their former ranks without further action of the Township Committee. This temporary amendment shall read as follows:

Section 1.

Amend "CHART OF ORGANIZATION" by adding the following full-time Union positions in the Police Department:

Increase the number of Lieutenants from 3 to 4 temporarily. On May 31, 2014 the "CHART OF ORGANIZATION" shall automatically revert back to 3 lieutenants. If on May 31, 2014 there are more than 3 Lieutenants, the least senior Lieutenant shall revert back to the rank of sergeant without further action of the Township Committee.

Increase the number of Sergeants from 9 to 10 temporarily. On May 31, 2014 the "CHART OF ORGANIZATION" shall automatically revert back to 9 Sergeants. If on May 31, 2014 there are more than 9 Sergeants the least senior Sergeant shall revert back to the rank of Patrolman without further action of the Township Committee.

Section 2. Severability and Effectiveness Clause.

- (a) If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
- (b) Any Ordinance inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as provided by in law.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON,
ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

JOAN I. ANDERSON, R.M.C.
TOWNSHIP CLERK

ROGER SILVA, MAYOR

ROLL CALL: DIX "YES"
 GATTO "YES"
 GUISHARD "YES"
 LINK "YES"
 SILVA "YES"

**ORDINANCE #1764-2014 INTRODUCED AND PASSED ON FIRST READING, MARCH 17, 2014.
ORDINANCE #1764-2014 ADOPTED MARCH 29, 2014.**

Chief Tappeiner said Lt. Mark Cooker will be retiring in about a month and commented on the letters of commendation and awards Lt. Cooker received during his years of service with the Police Department.

Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Dix that the following resolution be adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton that Gregory Ciambrone be and is hereby promoted to and appointed a Lieutenant of Police at salary set by the P.B.A. Superior Officers bargaining agreement effective March 29, 2014.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING "YES", NO "NO", AND NO "ABSTAIN" ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

The Township Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Lieutenant Ciambrone.

Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Dix, that the following resolution be adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton that Nicole Nelson be and is hereby promoted to and appointed a Sergeant of Police at salary set by the P.B.A. bargaining agreement effective March 29, 2014.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED WITH AL MEMBERS VOTING "YES",NO "NAY", AND NO "ABSTAIN" ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

The Township Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Nelson.

Public Comment:

There being no questions or comments from the public, Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Dix, that the public comment portion be closed.

MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING "AYE", NO "NAY", AND NO "ASTAIN".

Mr. Guishard congratulated Lt. Ciambrone and Sgt. Nelson and thanked everyone for coming. Mrs. Dix thanked everyone for coming. Mrs. Link said Lt. Ciambrone and Sgt. Nelson are both very, very professional. Ms. Gatto congratulated Lt. Cooker on his retirement. She congratulated Lt. Ciambrone and Sgt. Nelson and thanked the officers present for coming out to support them. Mayor Silva thanked Lt. Cooker for invaluable service and said he would be missed. He congratulated Lt. Ciambrone and Sgt. Nelson and said they represent the finest the Township has. Mayor Silva said he was pleased to see a lot of people present and commented on not having that many at the Township Committee meetings.

There being no further matters to be considered at this meeting, Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Dix, that this meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING "AYE", NO "NAY", AND NO "ABSTAIN".

ATTEST:

JOAN I. ANDERSON, R.M.C. TOWNSHIP CLERK