

**BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
2025 REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2025
7:00 P.M.**

1. Meeting called to order at _____ p.m.

2. MAYOR'S STATEMENT

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the notice requirements have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting by Resolution #24-310 has been sent to The Record, The Star Ledger, and Cablevision, placed on a Municipal Bulletin Board, and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk. In case of an emergency, exits are to the rear and to your right. Please turn off all cell phones.

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

4. INVOCATION

SWEARING-IN OF COUNCILMEMBERS

5. Reading of the Election Certificate of Councilman-Elect Thomas A. Lodato.

Oath of Office to be administered to Councilman-Elect Thomas A. Lodato.

6. Reading of the Election Certificate of Councilman-Elect Hernando Rivera.

Oath of Office to be administered to Councilman-Elect Hernando Rivera.

7. Roll Call of 2025 Council

Roll Call	Present	Absent
MAYOR ARVIN AMATORIO		
COUNCILMAN DOMINGO ALMONTE		
COUNCILMAN BUDDY DEAUNA		
COUNCILWOMAN ORA KORNBLUTH		
COUNCILMAN THOMAS LODATO		
COUNCILMAN MARC PASCUAL		
COUNCILMAN HERNANDO RIVERA		

8. **PRESENTATIONS** – At this time, any presentations may be made.

9. **STATEMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

10. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Mayor Amatorio opens the meeting and invites the public to comment on any subject matter, limited to five (5) minutes per speaker.

11. **RESOLUTION 25-001/To Appoint the 2025 Council President.**

MOTION OFFERED by _____, **SECONDED** by _____.

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

12. **RESOLUTION 25-002**/To Establish the Seating Order of the 2025 Governing Body.

Councilman Thomas A. Lodato
 Councilman Buddy Deauna
 Councilman Domingo Almonte
 Mayor Arvin Amatorio
 Councilwoman Ora C. Kornbluth
 Councilman Hernando Rivera
 Councilman Marc Pascual

MOTION OFFERED by _____, **SECONDED** by _____.

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

13. **RESOLUTION 25-003**/To Confirm Mayor’s nomination for Borough Attorney.

MOTION OFFERED by _____, **SECONDED** by _____.

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

14. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

15. **CONSENT RESOLUTION 25-004.** All matters listed below are considered by the Governing Body to be routine in nature. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by the Governing Body, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

- a. **25-005/**Adopt By-Laws for 2025
- b. **25-006/**Establishing Meeting Dates
- c. **25-007/**Reaffirming Interest Rates and Dates on Delinquent Taxes
- d. **25-008/**Authorizing Fire Department Mutual Aid
- e. **25-009/**Confirming Source Separation and Recycling
- f. **25-010/**Reaffirming Petty Cash and Change Funds
- g. **25-011/**Designate Official Depositories for Current Operating Funds
- h. **25-012/**Designate Secondary Bank Accounts, Signatories and Fiduciary Responsibilities
- i. **25-013/**Authorizing the Utilization of GovDeals, Inc. for the Purpose of Disposing of Surplus Equipment
- j. **25-014/**Authorizing Tax Collector to Cancel Tax Overpayments or Delinquent Amounts less than \$10.00
- k. **25-015/**Authorizing \$20 Fee for Tax Payments Returned for Insufficient Funds
- l. **25-016/**Authorizing Police Department Mutual Aid
- m. **25-017/**Approving the December 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- n. **25-018/**Approving the 2025 Tow Companies
- o. **25-019/**Approving a Tax Sale Certificate \$50 Fee for Third Redemption Request or More

MOTION OFFERED by _____, **SECONDED** by _____.

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

16. **RESOLUTION 25-020/**To Approve Temporary Budget Appropriations in CY 2025.

MOTION OFFERED by _____, **SECONDED** by _____.

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

17. **RESOLUTION 25-021**/To Confirm Professional Nominations and Authorize Execution of Contracts.

MOTION OFFERED by _____, **SECONDED** by _____.

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

19. **RESOLUTION 25-022**/To Ratify the Administrative Appointments for 2025.

MOTION OFFERED by _____, **SECONDED** by _____.

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

20. **RECOMMENDATIONS AND NOMINATIONS FOR BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

21. **STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

22. **LIAISONS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

23. **ADJOURNMENT**

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