



BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK  
COUNTY OF HUDSON  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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

DATE: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023  
TIME: 7:00 PM

**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark was called to order at 7:00 P.M., by Borough Clerk Kevin D. Harris.

**MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT**

Borough Clerk Harris read the following statement.

Open Public Meetings Act – This meeting is being held in accordance with the Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 231 and proper notification was issued to the Jersey Journal, Star Ledger and posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and on the official Borough website.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Grilo led the Assembly present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Borough Clerk Harris conducted a roll call of the dais.

**Present:**

Mayor Dina M. Grilo  
Council Member Rose Evaristo  
Council Member Kenneth Graham  
Council Chairman Hans Peter Lucas  
Council Member Christopher Reis  
Council Member Jeanne Zincavage

**Absent:**

Council Member Jessica H. Diaz

**Also Present:**

Michael Cifelli, Esq., Borough Attorney  
Kevin D. Harris, Borough Clerk



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There were no members of the public physically present in the gallery and no members of the public present via the Zoom Audio/Video Conferencing System.

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Mayor and Council that a quorum had been established and that the 2023 Mayor and Council had been qualified and empaneled.

**RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Council that there were three (3) resolutions on the Consent Agenda for consideration this evening.

Borough Clerk Harris read the titles for the following resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

09-23 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 28, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

10-23 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 05, 2023 ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

11-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JANUARY 11, 2023, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$XXX,XXX.XX

Borough Clerk Harris asked if Council Members wished to have any of the above resolutions removed for separate vote. Councilmember Evaristo requested resolution # 10-23 be moved to separate vote.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there were any questions or comments regarding resolutions on the Consent Agenda. There were no questions from the Mayor or Council Members.

There was no further discussion regarding the Consent Agenda.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

Councilwoman Zincavage moved that the resolutions on the Consent Agenda be adopted. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Graham and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz						X
Evaristo			X			
Graham		X	X			
Lucas			X			
Reis			X			
Zincavage	X		X			



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Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion carried. Resolutions numbered 09-23 and 11-23 were all adopted.

**RESOLUTION FOR SEPARATE VOTE**

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Council that there was one (1) resolution on for consideration for a separate vote that was moved from the Consent Agenda for the evening.

Borough Clerk Harris read the title for the following resolution on for separate vote.

10-23 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 05,2023 ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

**QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL OR ADMINISTRATION**

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there were any questions regarding Resolution #10-23. There were no questions from the Mayor, Council Members or members of the Administration.

There was no further discussion regarding Resolution # 10-23.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding Resolution # 10-23

Councilmember Graham moved that Resolution # 10-23 be adopted by title only. The motion was second by Councilmember Lucas and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz						X
Evaristo					X	
Graham	X		X			
Lucas		X	X			
Reis			X			
Zincavage			X			

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and the motion carried. Resolution # 10-23 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION FOR SEPARATE VOTE**

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Council that there was one (1) resolution on for consideration as a walk-on.



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Councilmember Reis moved for the acceptance of the walk-on resolution to be adopted. The motion was second by Councilmember Evaristo.

Borough Clerk Harris read the title for the following resolution on for separate vote.

12-23 RESOLUTION CELEBRATING AND CONGRATULATING KENNETH J. GRAHAM ON FORTY YEARS OF DEDICATED AND DEVOTED SERVICE TO THE EAST NEWARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there were any questions regarding Resolution #12-23. There were no questions from the Mayor, Council Members or members of the Administration.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding Resolution # 12-23.

Councilmember Zincavage moved that Resolution # 12-23 be adopted by title only. The motion was second by Councilmember Evaristo and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz						X
Evaristo		X	X			
Graham					X	
Lucas			X			
Reis			X			
Zincavage	X		X			

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and the motion carried. Resolution # 10-23 was adopted.

Councilmember Graham asked for a moment to address the room. He thanked all of the members of the public, his family, the administration, the police department and the fire department that came out to support him.

Mayor Grilo presented Councilmember Graham with a copy of the resolution in his honor.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Borough Clerk Harris opened the meeting to the public and asked if there were any members of the public wishing to address the Mayor and Council on any issue.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there were any members of the public present who wished to address the Mayor and Council on any issue. Lawrence Handlin, of the East Newark Fire Department, to present a plaque to Councilmember Graham on behalf of the Fire Department. Kenneth Sheehan,



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Borough of East Newark resident, to thank Councilmember Graham for his service to the Borough of East Newark.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Borough Clerk Harris asked if anyone had any old business they wanted to bring forward this evening. No one had any old business items and the Borough Clerk closed this section of the meeting.

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**MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

Borough Clerk Harris announced that he was in receipt of the following Department Reports for the month of January 2023 which have been provided to the Mayor, Council and Administration in their agenda packets.

1. Fire Department – January 2023
2. Police Department - January 2023
3. Municipal Court – January 2023
4. Construction Department – January 2023

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOROUGH**

Borough Clerk Harris asked prior to entertaining a motion to adjourn if there was any further anyone wanted to offer for the “good of the Borough”.

There were no items presented that were deemed “for the good of the Borough” and Borough Clerk Harris closed this portion of the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Graham moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Zincavage and approved unanimously on voice vote. The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:19 P.M..

Borough Clerk Harris announced that the next Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of East Newark would be on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. with the Pre-Caucus Meeting (if any is to be held) to begin at 6:30 P.M..



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Borough Clerk Harris thanked everyone for attending and wished everyone a happy, healthy, and safe 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

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TATIANA DA COSTA  
Borough Administrative Assistant

Dated: April 10, 2023

Accepted and approved by Council: \_\_\_\_\_