



**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
BOROUGH OF EMERSON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
December 20, 2016
5:00 p.m.
Emerson Public Library
20 Palisade Avenue
Emerson, NJ 07630**



I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lamatina called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and identified the emergency exits.

II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Lamatina asked Borough Clerk Jane Dietsche to call the roll of the Governing Body.

Present: Mayor Lamatina, Councilman Downing, Council President Knoller, Councilman Lazar, Councilman Tripodi, Councilman Worthington

Absent: Councilwoman DiPaola

Also present were Borough Attorney Wendy Rubinstein, Borough Clerk Jane Dietsche, and Police Chief Michael Mazzeo.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

☞ **Motion** to open the meeting to comments from the public was **moved** by Councilman Lazar, **seconded** by Council President Knoller and carried.

Seeing no hands, Mayor Lamatina asked for a motion to close the meeting to comments from the public.

☞ **Motion** to close the meeting to comments from the public was **moved** by Council President Knoller, **seconded** by Councilman Tripodi and carried.

IV. CLOSED SESSION – Resolution No. 282-16

☞ **Motion** to go into an executive session to discuss matters exempt from the public as duly noticed by Resolution No. 282-16 was **moved** by Council President Knoller, **seconded** by Councilman Tripodi and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0.

RC: Council members:

YES: Lazar, Downing, Knoller, Tripodi, Worthington

#16-12/20-40 Personnel – Patrol Officer Interviews N.J.S.A.10:4-8

V. RECONVENE

The Borough of Emerson reserves the right to return to Open Session and, if appropriate, take formal action.

☞ **Motion** to reconvene was **moved** by Council President Knoller, **seconded** by Councilman Lazar and carried.

☞ **Motion** to adopt Resolution No. 282AO1-16 hiring Conner Murphy and Trace McDermott as probationary Patrol Officers effective January 1, 2017 pending background checks, physical, psychological and other tests was **moved** by Council President Knoller, **seconded** by Councilman Lazar and carried by roll call vote of 5-0.

RC: Council members:

YES: Lazar, Downing, Knoller, Tripodi, Worthington

☞ **Motion** to adopt Resolution No. 282AO2-16 hiring Steven Gildea as a probationary Patrol Officer effective March 6, 2017 pending background checks, physical, psychological and other tests was **moved** by Council President Knoller, **seconded** by Councilman Tripodi and carried by roll call vote of 5-0.

RC: Council members:

YES: Lazar, Downing, Knoller, Tripodi, Worthington

VI. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to address, at the request of Mayor Lamatina, a motion to adjourn was **moved** by Councilman Lazar, **seconded** by Councilman Downing and carried at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Dietsche, RMC
Borough Clerk