

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY  
**REORGANIZATION**

JANUARY 6, 2015

7:00PM

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER BY THE MUNICIPAL CLERK**

Municipal Clerk Donna Snyder called the meeting to order at 7:07PM.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**

Ms. Snyder read the following statement into the Minutes: *In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6, this is to announce that Adequate Notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner: On January 9, 2014 advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Official Bulletin Board in the City Hall, was emailed to THE BURLINGTON COUNTY TIMES for publication and emailed to the CAMDEN COURIER POST for advise, was filed with the Municipal Clerk, and was mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice. The proceedings of all meetings are electronically and manually recorded, and the Minutes will be on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.*

**FLAG SALUTE**

Ms. Snyder led those present in the Flag Salute.

**WELCOME**

Ms. Snyder welcomed those in attendance and thanked them for coming out in the cold weather to be at Council's 2015 Reorganization. She placed before Council and those in attendance a thought for the New Year: "Today is the 6<sup>th</sup> blank page of a 365 page book.....let's make it a good one!"

**INVOCATION**

Ms. Snyder introduced Pastor Amy Vielehr from the First Baptist Church of Beverly to give the Invocation.

**COUNCIL ROLL CALL**

Present on the Dais (prior to Appointment/Re-appointment as indicated in these Minutes):

Mayor: Randy H. Miller

Council Members:

Robert H. Bancroft

Lawrence F. Carlbon

Robert E. Lowden, Jr.

Mark A. Schwedes

Robert D. Thibault

Municipal Clerk: Donna F. Snyder, RMC/CMR/CPM

Ms. Snyder then called for **NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT:**  
Nominations: Motion by Thibault and Second by Carlbon to nominate Robert H. Bancroft as Council President. There were no other nominations. Motion to Close Nominations by Lowden and Second by Thibault. Motion to Approve Robert H. Bancroft as Council President as stated by Thibault; Second by Carlbon:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried. Mr. Bancroft thanked Council for the vote of confidence. Ms. Snyder then turned the meeting over to Council President Bancroft.

**Mr. Bancroft called for NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO-TEM:**

Nominations: Motion by Schwedes and Second by Lowden to nominate Robert D. Thibault as Council President Pro-Tem. There were no other nominations. Motion to Close Nominations by Carlbon and Second by Schwedes. Motion to Approve Robert D. Thibault as Council President Pro-Tem as stated by Schwedes; Second by Lowden:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

**WELCOMING COMMENTS - Mayor Randy H. Miller**

Mayor Miller welcomed everyone to Council's 2015 Reorganization Meeting, wishing all a Happy New Year, and reiterating the Clerk's thoughts. He stated that the New Year brings us new opportunities to serve. He further added that 2014 went well and congratulated returning Council President Bancroft for keeping everything on an even keel.

**NOMINATIONS/VOTES/RESOLUTIONS FOR PROFESSIONALS**

**NOTE:** The following Contracts, **Resolutions 2015-1 through and including 2015-11**, to be voted on by Council are awarded without Competitive Bidding as "**Professional Services**" in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-5(1) (a) et seq. of the Local Public Contracts Law, and/or awarded in accordance with NJSA 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and pending approval of the NJ Department of Community Affairs/Division of Local Government Services. Note that the Professionals who submitted RFQs are all licensed to practice in the State of New Jersey. See attached list of submissions.

**RESOLUTION 2015-1**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY SOLICITOR and authorizing an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.**

Nominations: Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes to nominate the firm of **Parker McCay as City Solicitor**. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Lowden and Second by Carlbon. Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes as stated to appoint the firm of Parker McCay as City Solicitor:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-2**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY CONFLICT ATTORNEY and authorizing an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.**

Nominations: Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes to nominate the firm of **Roth D'Aquanni as Conflict Attorney**. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Lowden and Second by Carlbon. Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes as stated to appoint the firm of Roth D'Aquanni as Conflict Attorney:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-3**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY LABOR ATTORNEY and authorizing an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.**

Nominations: Motion by Lowden and Second by Schwedes to nominate **Armando V. Riccio, LLC as Labor Attorney**. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Thibault and Second by Carlbon. Motion by Lowden and Second by Schwedes as stated to appoint Armando V. Riccio, LLC as Labor Attorney:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-4**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY ENGINEER and authorizing** an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.

Nominations: Motion by Lowden and Second by Thibault to nominate **Environmental Resolutions, Inc.** as Engineer. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Carlbon and Second by Schwedes. Motion by Lowden and Second by Thibault as stated to appoint Environmental Resolutions, Inc. as Engineer:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote</u> : Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-5**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY AUDITOR and authorizing** an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.

Nominations: Motion by Lowden and Second by Thibault to nominate **Inverso & Stewart, LLC** as Auditor. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Schwedes and Second by Carlbon. Motion by Lowden and Second by Thibault as stated to appoint Inverso & Stewart as Auditor:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote</u> : Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-6**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR NON-AUDITING SERVICES and authorizing** an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.

Nominations: Motion by Thibault and Second by Lowden to nominate **Bowman & Company** as Non-Auditing Services firm. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Carlbon and Second by Schwedes to Close Nominations. Motion by Thibault and Second by Lowden as stated to appoint Bowman & Company, LLC:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote</u> : Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-7**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT and authorizing** an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.

Nominations: Motion by Carlbon and Second by Thibault to nominate **Hardenbergh Insurance Group** as Risk Management Consultant. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Lowden and Second by Schwedes. Motion by Carlbon and Second by Thibault as stated to appoint Hardenbergh Insurance Group:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-8**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY REDEVELOPMENT ATTORNEY** and authorizing an Agreement for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.

Nominations: Motion by Thibault and Second by Carlbon to nominate the firm of **Raymond/Coleman/Heinold/Norman, LLP** as Redevelopment Attorney. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Schwedes and Second by Lowden. Motion by Thibault and second by Carlbon as stated to appoint Raymond/Coleman/Heinold/Norman, LLP:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-9**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY MUNICIPAL COURT PROSECUTOR (2) and authorizing** Agreements for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.

Nominations: Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes to nominate **Dean J. Buono, Esq. and R. Louis Gallagher, II, Esq.** as Day and Evening Prosecutors. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Lowden and Second by Carlbon. Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes as stated to appoint Dean J. Buono, Esq. and R. Louis Gallagher, II, Esq.:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

**RESOLUTION 2015-10**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY PUBLIC DEFENDER** and authorizing Agreements for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year. Nominations: Motion by Carlbon and Second by Lowden to nominate **Dash-Farrow** as Public Defender. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Schwedes and Second by Thibault. Motion by Carlbon and Second by Lowden as stated to appoint Dash-Farrow:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-11**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR CITY CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER** and authorizing Agreements for Professional Services for the 2015 Calendar Year. Nominations: Motion by Lowden and Second by Schwedes to nominate **Neal Rosenberg, Esq.** as Conflict Public Defender. There being no other nominations, Motion to Close Nominations by Thibault and Second by Carlbon. Motion by Lowden and Second by Schwedes as stated to appoint Neal Rosenberg, Esq.:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft				

Motion Carried.

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**RESOLUTION 2015-12**

**NOMINATIONS AND VOTE FOR JOINT LAND USE BOARD CLASS III MEMBER - Council Liaison** for the 2015 Calendar Year.

Nominations: Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes to appoint **Larry Carlbon** as the Joint Land Use Board Class III Member:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS****CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTION 2015-A13**

*For approval of Resolutions 2015-13 through and including 2015-23 by "Consent Agenda". Consent Agenda items are not individually discussed. A Resolution approving the "Consent Agenda" (which may or may not include the reading of the list of items appearing on the Consent Agenda) is Moved, Seconded, and Voted upon as one item by the Governing Body. If any discussion is requested on same, it is removed from the "Consent Agenda" to the Regular Agenda.*

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda on Resolutions 2015-13 through and including 2015-23 by Thibault; Second by Schwedes. All in Favor.  
Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-13**

Appointing Richard A. Wolbert as:

Administrator/Public Safety Director  
Municipal Code Enforcement Officer  
Municipal Public Information Officer  
Certifying Officer - Supervisor (PERS PFRS, and DCRP)  
BURLCOJIF Fund Commissioner - Primary  
BURLCOJIF Safety Coordinator - Secondary  
BURLCOJIF Claims Coordinator - Primary

**RESOLUTION 2015-14**

Appointing Donna F. Snyder, RMC/CMR/CPM as:

Municipal Public Agency Compliance Officer  
Municipal Improvement Search Officer  
BURLCOJIF Alternate Fund Commissioner  
BURLCOJIF Safety Coordinator - Primary  
BURLCOJIF Claims Coordinator - Secondary

**RESOLUTION 2015-15**

Appointing Elaine M. Kennedy as:

Deputy Clerk, P/T, As Needed

**RESOLUTION 2015-16**

Restating the May 13, 2014 appointment of Yvonne Bullock as Certified Municipal Finance Officer (Resolution 2014-86) to indicate four-year State Tenure term from January 1, 2014 through and including December 31, 2017.

**RESOLUTION 2015-17**

Appointing Yvonne Bullock as:

Treasurer, P/T  
Certifying Officer (PERS, PFRS, and DCRP)  
Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA)

**RESOLUTION 2015-18**

Restating the May 27, 2014 appointment of Shari Lynn Phillips as Certified Tax Collector (Resolution 2014-95) to indicate her four-year State Tenure term from January 1, 2015 through and including December 31, 2018.

**RESOLUTION 2015-19**

Appointing **Shari Lynn Phillips** as:  
Municipal Tax Search Officer

**RESOLUTION 2015-20**

Appointing the following Crossing Guards for the 2015 Calendar Year:  
Robin Bell  
Wayne Boyte  
Nara Durant  
Josette Mushinski  
Harriet Alkins - Substitute

**RESOLUTION 2015-21**

Appointing On-Call Police Matron - Linda Lewis

**RESOLUTION 2015-22**

Appointing Recycling Coordinator - Lawrence F. Carlbon

**RESOLUTION 2015-23**

Appointing Recycling Facilitator - Ryan Atkinson

**Motion by Thibault to Approve Resolutions 2015-13 through and including 2015-23; Second by Schwedes:**

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<b><u>Roll Call Vote:</u></b> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

**Motion carried.**

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**RESOLUTION 2015-24**

A Resolution Adopting the 2015 Temporary Budget.  
 Motion by Thibault and Second by Lowden:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-25**

A Resolution Adopting the 2015 Cash Management Plan.  
 Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTION 2015-A26**

*For approval of Resolutions 2015-26 through and including 2015-34 by "Consent Agenda".*

**\* Note: Motion to remove Resolution 2015-28 from the Consent Agenda to Amend same. Motion by Carlbon and Second by Thibault. All In Favor. Motion Carried.**

**Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes to Approve Consent Agenda to cover Resolutions 2015-26 and 2015-27, and Resolutions 2015-29 through and including 2015-34. All in Favor. Motion Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2015-26**

A Resolution fixing the Rate of Interest to be charged for non-payment of Taxes, Assessments, and/or other Municipal Charges per NJS 54:4-67 for the 2015 Calendar Year.

**RESOLUTION 2015-27**

A Resolution establishing a Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$300.00 and designating the Custodian of same for the 2015 Calendar year.

**RESOLUTION 2015-29**

A Resolution designating the Beverly City Official Newspapers for the 2015 Calendar Year as the Burlington County Times (Primary) and the Courier Post (Secondary).

**RESOLUTION 2015-30**

A Resolution authorizing execution of a Payroll Services Agreement with CASA Payroll Services for the 2015 Calendar Year.

**RESOLUTION 2015-31**

A Resolution authorizing investment of Idle Funds and Fund Transfers by the Beverly City CFO for the 2015 Calendar Year.

**RESOLUTION 2015-32**

A Resolution authorizing the Beverly City Tax Assessor, per the duties and requirement of his office, to file with the Burlington County Board of Taxation such Appeals/Adjustments/Stipulations of Settlement as may be necessary to maintain accuracy and equality in the Assessment List of the City of Beverly for the 2015 calendar Year.

**RESOLUTION 2015-33**

A Resolution for the 2015 Calendar Year authorizing the Beverly City CFO to pay the following bills, contractual or otherwise, prior to insertion on the Bill List, the holding of which, due to meeting schedules, deadlines or the like would cause financial harm to the City of Beverly: Payroll, Insurance, State/County/School Payments, Landfill Charges, Public Utilities, Approved Grant Application Fees, Contractual Payments, and Debt Service.

**RESOLUTION 2015-34**

A Resolution authorizing the Beverly City Tax Collector, per New Jersey State Statute, to cancel tax balances under ten dollars (\$10.00) in the 2015 Calendar Year.

**Motion to Approve Resolutions 2015-26, 27 and 2015-29 through and including 2015-34 by Thibault and Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote:**

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

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**RESOLUTION 2015-28**

A Resolution establishing Meeting Dates, Times, and Locations for the Common Council for the 2015 Calendar Year as Amended to show Council Meeting dates for January 2015 as January 6 (today's Reorganization) and January 20, 2015. Motion to Approve by Carlbon and Second by Thibault. Roll Call Vote:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-35**

A Resolution listing Salaries for the 2015 Calendar Year for employees of the City of Beverly. Motion to Approve by Thibault and Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-36**

A Resolution renewing the Lease between the City of Beverly and the Beverly Sewerage Authority for the 2015 Calendar Year at the annual fee of \$9,000.00. Motion to Approve by Thibault and Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden			x	
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft			x	

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-37**

A Resolution re-appointing Robert H. Bancroft to the Beverly Sewerage Authority for a five-year term (see attached). Motion by Thibault and Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-38**

A Resolution authorizing the payment of \$60.00 per person total for services rendered in conducting the City of Beverly's 2015 Free Rabies Clinic, as follows: Donna F. Snyder, Sheldon Merritt, Leticia Merritt, Vicki Sereduk, and Mary Ellen Knudson pending Certification of Funds by the Beverly City CFO. Motion to Approve by Thibault and Second by Carlbon. Roll Call Vote:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

**RESOLUTION 2015-39**

A Resolution authorizing the payment of \$180.00 to Kelly Stephan, DVM, Associate Veterinarian, Columbus Central Veterinary Hospital, upon completion of her services for the City of Beverly' 2015 Free Rabies Clinic, pending Certification of Funds by the Beverly City CFO. Motion to Approve by Thibault and Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon	x			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTION 2015-A40**

For approval of Resolutions 2015-40 through and including 2015-44 by "Consent Agenda". Motion to Approve by Thibault and Second by Schwedes. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2015-40**

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Willingboro Township for Housing Inspection Services.

**RESOLUTION 2015-41**

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Willingboro Township for Certified Recycling Professional Services for submission of Beverly City's 2014 Annual Recycling Tonnage Report.

**RESOLUTION 2015-42**

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Willingboro Township for Vehicle Maintenance Services for Beverly City.

**RESOLUTION 2015-43**

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Willingboro Township for Public Works Services for Beverly City.

**RESOLUTION 2015-44**

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Willingboro Township for Animal Control Services.

**Motion to Approve Resolutions 2015-40 through and including 2015-44 made by Thibault; Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote:**

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<b><u>Roll Call Vote:</u> Carlbon</b>	<b>x</b>			
Lowden	x			
Schwedes	x			
Thibault	x			
Bancroft	x			

Motion Carried.

At this point, Mr. Thibault expressed a "thank you" to Willingboro Township for working Shared Services with us the way they have.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Municipal Clerk's appointment (per New Jersey Codes Title 26, Health & Vital Statistics, Section 8-17) of Elaine M. Kennedy as Deputy Registrar for the 2015 Calendar Year, on an as-needed basis. Council thanked Ms. Kennedy for her prior and future assistance in the Clerk's Office.

**COMMENTS/REPORTS**

Mayor

Mayor Miller thanked everyone for coming out in the cold to be a part of Council's 2015 Reorganization.

Council

Mr. Thibault stated that he felt that the City was building on the success of the last two years, and that we have made great progress that is visible to all, and that he's glad to be a part of it.

Mr. Carlbom stated that once again, we've hit the ground running.

Mr. Schwedes agreed with the other Council comments stating that it was an exciting year for us. He thanked Rich Wolbert and Bob Bancroft for making the process of choosing Professionals one that he could understand.

Mr. Lowden stated that as we start a new year, it's always better for Council to see things happening to feel better about the job we're doing. We continue to get help from the State this year via Transitional Aid. Financially, things are looking much better and, hopefully, several of our projects will see completion. We'll continue to move forward to accomplish even more. He stated that he is looking forward to working with everyone this year.

Administrator/Public Safety Director - Nothing additional at this time.

Professionals

Solicitor Guest thanked Council for the re-appointment this year and stated that he looks forward to working with everyone again.

Mr. Kirchner also thanked Council for re-appointing Environmental Resolutions this year.

Clerk - Nothing additional at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

***Please state your name and address clearly for the record.***

John Haaf voiced a "thank you" to all elected Officials, and to Rich and Donna and the Professionals who serve the City. He further stated that as Council will develop their Agenda for 2015, the following two points are on his agenda:

1. He noted that the Salary Resolution was on tonight's Agenda which is reviewed by the Finance Committee and the CFO and felt that the City should at least make a token donation to the Beverly Free Library. The City should support this institution and they're not.
2. There is a small but vocal minority in the City that wants to see a change in the way the Liquor Store is regulated in town at Five-Points. We can't have what goes on there on the opposite corner. Council has the power to change how they operate and they need to do something.

As there were no further comments, this portion of the meeting was closed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ~ No Executive Session.**

**Resolution 2015-\_\_\_\_\_ :**

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Beverly to hold Executive Session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, permitting the exclusion of the Public from a meeting in certain circumstances which the Governing Body deem now exist:

- Attorney Client Privilege**
- Contractual Matters**
- Current and/or Possible Litigation**
- Personnel Matters**
- Review of Executive Session Minutes**

**ACTION TAKEN AFTER EXECUTIVE:**       YES       NO       N/A

**ADJOURNMENT**

As there were no further comments, Motion to Adjourn at 7:55PM was made by Thibault; Second by Carlbon. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Donna F. Snyder, RMC/CMR/CPM

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Date

**APPROVED:**

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Randy H. Miller, Mayor

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Date