

**BOROUGH OF CALDWELL
COUNCIL CONFERENCE/BUSINESS MEETING
ORGANIZATION MEETING – January 1, 2020**

The council Business meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Caldwell was called to order in the Council Chambers at 12:00PM

Mayor Kelley welcomed Governor Codey, Mila Jasey, John McKeon, Christopher Durkin, Lenny Luciano and Mayor Susan Gartland.

OATH OF OFFICE:

- **Councilwoman Frances DePalma-Iozzi by Assemblywoman Mila M. Jasey**
- **Councilman Jeffrey Gates by Assemblyman John F. McKeon**
- **Andrew Pollara, Fire Chief by Christopher J. Durkin**

PRESENT: Mayor Kelley, Councilman Rodgers, Councilman Lace, Councilman Cole, Councilwoman Schmidt, Councilwoman DePalma-Iozzi and Councilman Gates

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy Clerk, Lisa O'Neill, Borough Administrator, Thomas Banker, and Borough Attorney, Vince Nuzzi

Adequate notice of this Council Business/Conference meeting was given on January 1, 2020. Notice was posted on the bulletin board on the first floor of the Borough Hall, One Provost Square, Caldwell, New Jersey. Official newspapers of the Borough were notified of this meeting by mail. Notice was posted and all persons requesting notice were sent same.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Election of Council President

Councilman Rodgers made a motion to nominate Councilwoman Schmidt as Council President, 2nd by Councilman Cole. All in favor.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Kelley

Again, thank you for being here with us today for our 2020 reorganization meeting.

And what an exciting 2020 it will be especially with the addition of Councilwoman DePalma-Iozzi and Councilman Gates.

I want to take the opportunity today to share what our governing body worked on in 2019, for the taxpayers of Caldwell. But first I need to recognize the members of our governing body.

In 2019 we had a wonderful team to work with.

To begin with there are two that finished their service to Caldwell:

Councilman Tom O'Donnell

Councilman Pat Cappozoli

We thank both of them for all they did for the borough of Caldwell

Our 2019 Council President, Frank Rodgers, a good friend who is the reason I first got involved with the council. So blame him. Frank is fair, level headed and extremely thoughtful. Plus everyone knows Frank and his family, and you know he is dependable and trustworthy. Thank you Frank.

Next is our new Council President for 2020, Christine Schmidt. What can I say about this incredible talent and gift to Caldwell. Ask any borough employee. She is a presence at the borough hall and around town, and has truly made the job a pleasure for all of us. Thank you Christine. You are a natural and I'm so glad you willingly embraced the position of council president.

Councilman Henderson Cole. Passionate is an understatement when describing Henderson. The desire on his part to reach out to Caldwell University began immediately when he started his first year on the council and he led us in 2019 to grow the relationship which included holding a council meeting on the campus in addition to several other initiatives. We all enjoy working with Henderson and are so glad he is considering another campaign for council. Spoiler alert. Sorry!

Councilman Jonathan Lace. Jonathan keeps us all on our toes. Whether it is parliamentary procedures, or the borough code (including a thorough understanding of the Master Plan), Jonathan is diligent, responsible and follows his principles no matter

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where they lead him. Jonathan, you make us question ourselves. You challenge us. The taxpayers and residents of Caldwell should be proud. Thank you.

In addition to the governing body, the council had the good fortune of working with an incredible professional in our Borough Attorney Vince Nuzzi. His career is quite impressive and has been put to the test with some of the litigation the borough has been faced with plus whenever a councilmember sends him questions regarding the code, looking for clarification. Glad that you have patience Vince and thank you for your services.

Tom Banker. What can I say about this rare individual who happens to live in West Caldwell. He came to us in January of this year and we won him over with the team I just got through describing. It required several meetings but the chemistry works and we've been holding our breath ever since. You see, Tom Banker is second to none in municipal government in the State of New Jersey. His resume is quite incredible and in fact I read it during one of our meetings because I felt the public needed to understand the caliber of talent that Caldwell has been graced with. Tom can be quite the talker (understatement) and professorial which can be attributed to 25 years as a professor at Columbia University and 14 years at Rutgers. So although he will joke about his public speaking skills, we have all been exposed to his gift of the spoken word. When I campaigned a year ago, I told several of my colleagues that I would run a very short and efficient council meeting. I had not met Tom Banker. We have marathon council meetings now. Don't get me wrong. Tom imparts his knowledge and educates/shares for all of the governing body. His experience is not textbook but 40 years of practical experience which we are taking advantage of. A large part of the success of 2019 for this governing body can be attributed to Tom Banker. As elected officials you bring your skills and talents, but need to have an expert in State of new Jersey municipal government. We believe we have that expert. Thank you Tom.

That brings us to Lisa O'Neil our deputy borough clerk. She is the glue that keeps all of us together. This woman has seen a number of elected officials and professionals come and go. She tolerates us, helps us, advises us and is the "go to" for not just the council but all of the borough employees. Lisa. Thank you.

In 2019 and for 2020 these are some of the highlights I would like to share:

Caldwell University. How can we improve the relationship was the question. We held several meetings to explore how the borough and the university could leverage each other's strengths and overcome some of the walls that have divided us. The borough want the student's to feel welcome and to visit our downtown to shop and dine and become more of the fabric of our community. The university has welcomed the new relationship. For us, we believe that if Caldwell should or could have a reputation of being a college town, then it would be positive in terms of name recognition and attracting new residents and visitors to our downtown. We held a council meeting on campus and brought law enforcement with us so there could be public dialogue and self-awareness of both strengths and weaknesses in our history and future together. On Pride Day we invited members of the Caldwell University community to join us at our council meeting and it was a memorable event. We are looking forward to an exciting 2020 and Councilman Lace will be leading us in many exciting new opportunities with the University.

Self-sustaining utilities. This concept is one that Tom has guided us towards and incorporated into a couple of existing self-sustaining utilities (Water and Sewer) and also for a couple of new ones. The water utility is stable except for rising rates which we intend on addressing in 2020, plus the ongoing need to address infrastructure issues for water. The Sewer utility is a different story. Previous administration decisions created a disconnect between the operator of the treatment system and the collection system. We have remedied this by putting Mott McDonald in charge of both. We have chosen to approach maintenance and capital requirements more aggressively. We believe this to be prudent, in order to preserve the investment made over the years and to also be ready for the current and future demands that will be put on the treatment system. We are under a New Jersey DEP 3 year program requiring extensive reporting due to our treatment plant in 2018 exceeding the permitted capacity flow. Our treatment system has been impacted by I&I (infiltration and intrusion) from the collection systems of the sewer community towns. Essentially we are treating water and see the increased flow on rain events. With Mott's services following a 2019 I&I study we have better information and direction for each town's collection systems but are studying capital investments at the treatment plant that will increase capacity for current and future needs out beyond 10 years. Another significant event related to the Sewer Utility is that Caldwell has transitioned at 2019 year end, to a sewer billing system for the Caldwell users which will essentially bill customers based upon their usage. A resident will no longer pay for their share of the sewer collection system and treatment system in part of their property taxes and instead will pay their share of sewer charges with their water bill each quarter beginning in the first quarter of 2020. This billing switch also affords the borough to bill the nonprofits within our community for their usage. These nonprofits who do not pay property taxes were not being allocated their share of sewer charges. Although receiving a surcharge in prior years they now will be paying based on usage like the residents of Caldwell.

Another borough operation which we are converting to a self-sustaining utility is the Caldwell Community Center. The operations of the center will be funded by the revenues generated. The goal of the Community Center Utility is that taxpayer dollars will not be used for their operations. The director, Rosemarie Sutherland has embraced this concept and already is making decisions to achieve this goal. We intend on updating the community during the year with our progress and look forward to sharing the various revenue generating initiatives and cost cutting measures undertaken.

Parking Utility. A great deal of time has been spent by our borough administrator already on this new self-sustaining utility. Again, think in terms of taxpayer dollars not being spent on this utility. Evaluation of the current demand which takes into consideration existing businesses plus the new Grover House and Wilson and also the anticipated future demand driven from expected development following our adoption of the Redevelopment Plan for Caldwell which should happen in the

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February/March timeframe is providing the impetus for our Small Parking Garage. The Small lot is an ideal existing town owned property which is underutilized for the ideal dimensions and location. We recently passed the resolution for the engagement of a firm to deliver architectural and engineering design plans for the construction of a 500 car parking garage. Our goal is to break ground in late spring early summer with a 12 month construction period. Anticipated opening in June '21. We chose to defer action on the Community center parking deck for the time being.

Redevelopment Plan. Taking advantage of the State of NJ legislation related to declaring a municipality an area in need of rehabilitation, we are next going to utilize the powers of a redevelopment plan for zoning and planning. The expected outcome is acquisition and development by current property owners and also new investment into these zones that are identified in the redevelopment plan. Caldwell is using Topology for the planning services.

Police shared services. In 2019, Caldwell and West Caldwell worked with the State of New Jersey experts on police shared services to analyze and produce for each town their policing needs. A number of criteria are measured in this analysis, such as population, street miles within the towns, and historical crime reporting(both quantity and types). The results of this study has been very beneficial in our discussions for sharing of police services as well as for independent operations until we get there. In other words we are changing our operations to reduce our headcount (ie labor costs) and utilizing scheduling changes. We are moving towards the numbers defined by the State of New Jersey experts. The borough should see police cost reductions by 2021. Unfortunately in our budget last year we saw a \$ 300,000 increase in overall police costs which drove the municipal tax increase. As just explained, that trend is already headed in the opposite direction. Will Caldwell and West Caldwell sign an agreement for Police Shared services in 2020? I don't have the answer. We are doing our part to be in a great position for either option: Police Shared Services with West Caldwell, or continuing to operate as an independent Caldwell Police department. Mayor Tempesta and I spoke on this topic within the last 2 weeks and the expectation is that a decision one way or the other will be made by March 31st. The borough has an outstanding leader in Chief James Bongiorno. I have a great deal of respect and admiration for this man who does not have an easy job. He is the consummate professional who inspires and motivates the men and women of the Caldwell police department. I am proud to call him a friend and the Caldwell Chief of Police. Thank you Chief.

Affordable Housing. This is a very hot topic in New Jersey. Our administration inherited a negotiated settlement. The court is expecting our plan which meets the terms of the settlement. Tom Banker working with an expert attorney in affordable housing are close to presenting to the governing body and then the court in January or February. More to come on this. Clearly, the benefits of the earlier mentioned Redevelopment Plan should deliver additional housing units that satisfy and meet our overall Affordable Housing requirements beyond the negotiated settlement numbers.

A couple of items the borough is currently pursuing are the relocation of our borough hall facilities. We are actively engaged with GSA for the acquisition of the 14 Park location, which is where the current Caldwell food pantry is located, plus we are speaking with the U.S. Post office (as recently as yesterday afternoon) for the purpose of either a swap and/or acquisition of the Caldwell Post Office building at 10 Park Avenue.

We intend on communicating by newsletter in 2020 with a goal of quarterly distribution. In addition, there is general consensus that we need to hold a town hall meeting to allow for the presentation of the new parking utility actions and also the results from the adoption of the redevelopment plan.

This first year has been quite enlightening. As you can tell, we had a very capable and dedicated team in 2019 and with the addition of Council woman Depalma-Iozzi and Councilman Gates we will be a very effective governing body.

I recognize the length of my comments and thank you for your attention.

Next, I'd like to turn the comments section of our meeting over to our New 2020 Council President Christine Schmidt.

Council President Schmidt

Thank you so much for elevating me to the position of Council President. The honor is even greater coming after Councilman Rodgers for whom I have the greatest respect. He has brought of level of experience, insight, and ethics to the position. I'll do my best to serve following his example. Thank you Frank.

This has been an exciting year for me. As our Mayor stated, we have worked hard and accomplished much, My work has focused on our Community Center, the library, communications, Caldwell University, and our downtown. I've attended more meetings than I can count. In all my work in the Borough, there is one common thread; our Borough's greatest resource is the many people who work tirelessly for our community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers who give their time and energy on our many Boards and Commissions. In addition, I'd like to thank Bob Colaizzo for volunteering his time not only on our Boards, but he also handles the audio & video transmissions of all our meetings. If you are a Board member, please stand up so we can recognize you.

New to this administration has been the concept of office hours which began with Councilman Lace at Rockin' Joes on Saturday mornings. I took up that tradition as well and had mine in the Mayor's office three days a week. I guess our coffee isn't as good, so not many residents have been coming to these hours, but there has been an important and unexpected benefit. It has given me the opportunity to work closely with the professionals who keep the Borough working every day. It has been critical to help the Mayor and Council understand the challenges the Borough faces on a day-to-day basis.

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I'd like to take this opportunity to honor some of the key people who work for the Borough. They are our professional staff who - regardless of the changes of the governing body - show up every day for Caldwell bringing professionalism, consistency and experience to the work of municipal government, Please come forward to be recognized as I call your name

*Deputy Clerk Lisa O'Neill
DPW Director Mario Bifalco
Police Chief James Bongiorno & Sgt Pellegrino
Human Services Director & Grover Cleveland Senior Services Director Maria Burak
CCC Director Rosemarie Sutherlin and Assistant Director Shannon Corinne
Fire Chief Andrew Pollara
OEM and Fire Safety Officer Mark Giuliano
Construction & Zoning Official Paul Milani
Acting Library Director Annette Sellars
Tax Collector Brad Taylor who today is taking the place of our wonderful Idamae Renne*

Finally on this day of reorganization, I'd like to speak for a moment about change. The Greek philosopher Heraclitus said that the only constant in life is change

As much as our staff provides consistency, the work of municipal government is all about change as we work to improve our community, There are always conflicting views - especially when making change. Is change good or is it bad? Shall Caldwell change, or stay the same? Change is sometimes such a slow process that we do not see it. Caldwell is not the same as it was 100 years ago, nor will it be the same in 100 years.

We have just sworn in two highly capable people and as they join us on the Dais, things will certainly not stay the same. Their lives will change as they assume the commitment with which voters of Caldwell have entrusted them. They will be asked to make important decisions that are before us to make real change, revitalize our downtown and improve our quality of life. Our work will change as they bring their own unique voices and perspectives to the Borough Council. Welcome Jeff Gates and Fran DePalma-Iozzi.

Councilwoman DePalma-Iozzi

*I am honored to have been elected to this council, whose present members have shown diligence and care for the Borough of Caldwell and I will do my best to represent our citizens.
I am honored that Jeff and I have both Mila Jasey and John McKeon, our newly re-elected assembly members, to swear us in. Thank you to everyone who worked for us, supported us, and voted for us. I hope to do you proud.*

Councilman Gates

"Thank you to everyone who came today, as it means a lot to have this much support from family, friends, and the local community. Thank you to my wife Lisa for the encouragement and positive attitude, and to my parents for instilling in me the importance of giving back to the community. Upon being sworn in I am the 3rd generation in a row to hold municipal office here in NJ.

When I first decided to run I felt I had a unique perspective to offer on the council, as a recent tenant and new homeowner looking for the long term outlook of Caldwell. Over the next 3 years I plan to use those perspectives in guiding my decisions, which will also be effected by my appreciation for the history of Caldwell combined with a vision for the future.

There are a number of issues facing us that will require big decisions and steady leadership to maintain the charm Caldwell has had for the last century as we upgrade our infrastructure and prepare for the next century. Between the sanitary sewer system, parking deck, stormwater management, municipal building, and fulfilling of our affordable housing obligations, we will need plans in place to correct the problems and address these issues. One of my goals is to help lay out 1-5-10-20 year plans to address our infrastructure needs. All of these issues will help those who reside in town, as well as the businesses which are vital to the success of our downtown.

Where possible, I plan to support environmentally friendly policies and infrastructure. It is our responsibility to hand the planet off to future generations in the best conditions possible, and common sense green initiatives help in that regard.

With all the issues we face, it is important to recognize where we currently stand and determine the options we have, so we can make the best choices to move forwards. It is normal in a Democracy to have differing perspectives, but we can do so with civility. I will be holding office hours to make myself available for all constituents, whether they agree or disagree with me, to feel comfortable reaching out to discuss issues. I believe doing so will help bring a better, more respectable form of politics and accountability to Caldwell. Bringing people and ideas together is the best way to lay the foundation for securing our future, which was our campaign slogan.

Lisa and I fell in love with Caldwell because of its uniqueness, and plan to be here for decades to come. There are not many North Jersey towns with a walkable downtown that still have a small town feel. There is a lot of history for a town of this size, and I hope to embrace that history while working towards Securing Our Future. Thank you. "

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Councilman Lace

Thank you, Mayor. Happy New Year and welcome to everyone who came out today to witness local government in action in Caldwell. We gather at the beginning of every year to re-organize the Borough Council to include the results of the latest elections. This year, Councilman Jeff Gates and Councilwoman Fran DePalma-Iozzi have joined us. Jeff and Fran: I want to express my warmest welcome to you both, and my eagerness to work with you throughout the year. I remember how absolutely thrilled I was when I learned that both of you had decided to run for the Borough Council, which at one point included a fair amount of loud WooHoo!-ing on the phone in my car. You both maintained your pledge to run a campaign that was focused on policy, even when you were offered opportunities to lower the bar. You both exemplify what it means for every citizen to fulfill what President Grover Cleveland called the obligations of “good citizenship.” On the Dais today, we have 7 individuals who are both colleagues and dear friends; a truly grassroots group of people who have debated with and supported each other, both in private and in public. It is an historic day.

Our contact information, availability, and any office hours along with other important information for residents will be posted on the Borough’s new website, which is now ADA compliant, easier to navigate, and mobile-friendly. I want to invite everyone to please reach out and take advantage of these opportunities. As always, we encourage public input at our other 20 scheduled meetings for the rest of this year and via the Borough’s official channels.

Every year brings with it new challenges, and 2020 is no different. Mayor Kelley has already mentioned a few of these. Jeff and Fran are both committed to ensuring that these and all of our decisions are made with a responsive ear to public input and with the long-term best interests of Caldwell in mind. We all hold as sacred the democratic process of informed, public debate in policy-making because we all know that the procedure we follow is just as important as the votes which we cast.

At a time when public trust has been weakened in other levels of government, here at the local level is where it can be renewed. Alexis DE Tocqueville wrote:

Local assemblies of the people constitute the strength of free nations. Municipal institutions are to liberty what primary schools are to science: they bring it within the people’s reach, and teach them how to use and enjoy it. A nation may establish a system of free government, but without the spirit of municipal institutions, it cannot have the spirit of liberty.

May that spirit always guide our deliberations, inform our outreach, and inspire our decisions in Caldwell.

Councilman Rodgers

Welcome to Fran and Jeff. You can have all the talent in the world but if you don’t work together as a team and he is confident that we will work well together throughout the coming year and in doing so we will be able to accomplish a lot. His only advice to the two new Council members is when you walk into the Council Chambers leave your ego at the door and remember we do what’s best for the Borough of Caldwell.

Councilman Cole

As we begin 2020 we are all aware that Caldwell and the Council will have challenges and opportunities. However, I am very optimistic this New Year and confident that the Borough has many capable people in place. I and the Mayor and Council need to focus on which of these challenges and opportunities are the most important and most time critical. We need to objectively review the items and get input from many sources then we need to act decisively with confidence and follow up with energy and close attention to detail through the completion.

I am appreciative with the participation of many Caldwell residents at our Council meetings and also via email and formal conversations. I’m convinced that democracy works best at this level and he encourages all to be engaged.

Finally, as I have said many times my goal is for Caldwell to have the highest voter turnout in the County. I look forward to 2020 and I expect that Caldwell will be an even better place to live, to work, and to raise a family. Thank you very much.

2020 Council Committee Appointments/Liaisons

Council Committee	Chairman	Councilman	Areas of Responsibility
Community Center	Schmidt	Cole	Community Center
Finance	Cole	Gates	Finance / Budget / Banking / Administration / Capital Tax Collection / Annual Audit / Corrective Action Plan

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Shared Service / Recreation	Lace	Rodgers	Senior Transportation / Board of Education West Caldwell Shared Service Committee
Personnel	DePalma-Iozzi	Schmidt	Personnel Policies / Employee Handbook Benefits / Pension / Medical
Public Safety	Rodgers	DePalma-Iozzi	Police Department / Fire Department Emergency Management / Municipal Court
Public Works / Utilities	Gates	Lace	Streets & Roads / Building & Grounds / Engineering Utilities / Construction / Sewer & Water
Communcations	Lace	Schmidt	Manage Social Media and broadcasts as well as to oversee other initiatives

Note: Mayor Kelley is the 3rd member of each committee.

2020 COUNCIL LIAISONS

Board / Committee	Liaison
Board of Education	Rodgers
Board of Health	Cole
Camp Wyanokie	Lace
Environmental Commission	DePalma-Iozzi
Library Board of Trustees	Schmidt
Human Services	Cole
Historic Commission	DePalma-Iozzi
Planning Board	Rodgers
Caldwell University	Lace
Rent Board	Gates
Downtown	Schmidt

2020 ANNUAL MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Mayor John Kelley

- **Mayor’s Advisory Council on Senior Services**
Mary Beth Kane
Grace Kerrigan
Tracy Voca
Steve Modica
Councilwoman Schmidt
- **Official Borough Photographers**
Janet Markman
- **Borough Arborist**
John Linson
- **New Jersey Council Motion Picture Development**
Councilman Gates
- **Liaison to the Grover Cleveland Birthplace**
Councilman Lace

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- **Senior Citizen Transportation Committee – Mayor, Consent of the Council.**

Mr. Greg Cowell
Mr. David Whetton
Mr. Peter Pirrello
Councilman Lace

- **Tree Removal Committee - Mayor, Consent of the Council.**

Mr. Edward Broheimer
Gavin McCabe
Mr. Al Ferrentino
Mr. Thomas Banker
Councilman Cole

2020 BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

- **Resolution 1-1: Planning Board - Appointment by Mayor**

Peter Mescia	Class I Member	term expiration 12/31/2020
Nathan Gardner	Class IV Member	term expiration 12/31/2023
Sean McGowan	Class IV Member	term expiration 12/31/2023
Councilman Rodgers	Class III Member	term expiration 12/31/2020
Sally Santiago	Alternate #1	term expiration 12/31/2021
Peter N. Byrne	Alternate #2	term expiration 12/31/2020

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Cole. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

- **Resolution 1-2: Library Board of Trustees - Mayor, Consent of the Council**

Councilwoman Schmidt	Council Representative	term expiration 12/31/2020
Robyn Stevens	Vice President & Secretary	term expiration 12/31/2023
Susan Panzano	Trustee	term expiration 12/31/2023

Moved by Council President Schmidt seconded by Councilman Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

- **Resolution 1-3: Board of Health - Mayor, Consent of the Council**

Councilman Cole	Council Representative	term expiration 12/31/2020
Annmarie Snedeker	Member	term expiration 12/31/2023

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

- **Resolution 1-4: Local Assistance Board - Mayor, Consent of the Council**

Councilman Cole	Council Representative	term expiration 12/31/2020
June Cowell	One-Year Term	term expiration 12/31/2020
Santa Rock	One-Year Term	term expiration 12/31/2020
Rebecca Glass	One-Year Term	term expiration 12/31/2020
Lisa Kerrigan	One-Year Term	term expiration 12/31/2020
Maria Burak	Coordinator/Secretary	term expiration 12/31/2020

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

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• **Resolution 1-5: Rent Review Board - Mayor, Consent of the Council**

Councilman Gates	Council Representative	term expiration 12/31/2020
Joe Kostecka	Tenant Member	term expiration 12/31/2021
Sean McGowan	Attorney	term expiration 12/31/2020

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

• **Resolution 1-6: Environmental Commission – Appointment by Mayor**

Councilwoman DePalma-Iozzi	Council Representative	term expiration 12/31/2020
Gavin McCabe	Three-Year Term	term expiration 12/31/2023
Phoebe J. Epstein	Three-Year Term	term expiration 12/31/2023
Sister Jeanne Goyette, OP	Three-Year Term	term expiration 12/31/2023

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

• **Resolution 1-7: Historic Preservation Committee – Mayor, Consent of the Council**

Councilwoman DePalma-Iozzi	Council Representative	term expiration 12/31/2020
Frank Godlewski	Class A Member	term expiration 12/31/2023
Meryl Gallagher King	Class C – Alternate Member	term expiration 12/31/2023

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilwoman Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

• **Resolution 1-8: Zoning Board Of Adjustment –Mayor, Consent of the Council**

Barbara Buechner	Member	term expiration 12/31/2023
Kamil Halal	Alternate #2 - Member	term expiration 12/31/2020

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

2019 PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

• **Resolution 1-9: Municipal Attorney**
Vincent J. Nuzzi, Esq.

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

• **Resolution 1-10: Borough Auditors**
Nisivoccia LLP

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

• **Resolution 1-11: Financial Management**
Battaglia Associates

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

• **Resolution 1-12: Public Defender**
James V. Pomaco, Esq.

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

• **Resolution 1-13: Borough Prosecutor:**

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Vincent J. Failla, Esq.

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

- **Resolution 1-14: Rent Board Attorney**
Sean McGowan, Esq.

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

- **Resolution 1-15: Fire Official**
Mark Guiliano

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

- **Resolution 1-16: Zoning Official**
Paul Milani

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilwoman DePalma-Iozzi. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

- **Resolution 1-17: Special Counsel for Affordable Housing**
Jeffrey R. Surenian & Associates, LLC.

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020.

RESOLUTIONS – Consent Agenda

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Council request specific items to be removed for separate action.

- Resolution 1-18: Authorizing the Appointment Of John Hamer As The Licensed Water Operator For The Borough Of Caldwell Effective January 1, 2020 With An Annual Salary Of \$10,200
- Resolution 1-19: Authorizing the Appointment of Francine T. Paserchia as the Qualified Purchasing Agent
- Resolution 1-20: Authorizing Appointment of Committee Members for the Community Development Block Grant Program for the Year 2020
- Resolution 1-21: Authorizing the Appointment of the Caldwell Volunteer Fire Department Officers for Year 2020
- Resolution 1-22: Authorizing the Appointment of Sewer Commissioners for the Borough of Caldwell for the Calendar Year 2020
- Resolution 1-23: Designating the Official Depositories of the Borough for the Year 2020
- Resolution 1-24: Designating Official Holidays in Year 2020
- Resolution 1-25: Authorizing Annual Schedule of Regular Council Business Meetings for the Calendar Year 2020
- Resolution 1-26: Designating Official Newspapers of the Borough of Caldwell for Year 2020

**BOROUGH OF CALDWELL
COUNCIL CONFERENCE/BUSINESS MEETING
ORGANIZATION MEETING – January 1, 2020**

- Resolution 1-27: Designating Times, Dates and Conduct of Meetings for the Year 2020
- Resolution 1-28: Authorizing Adoption of Temporary Budget for the Year 2020
- Resolution 1-29: Authorizing Interest for Non-Payment of Taxes or Assessments 2020
- Resolution 1-30: Resolution Adopting the Cash Management Plan of the Borough of Caldwell County of Essex for 2020
- Resolution 1-31: Approving a Tow Operator’s License AJACO Towing, Inc. in Accordance with the Provisions Of Borough Ordinance 1201-09
- Resolution 1-32: Approving a Tow Operator’s License C & L Towing Service in Accordance with the Provisions Of Borough Ordinance 1201-09
- Resolution 1-33: Approving a Tow Operator’s License Criger Auto Body in Accordance with the Provisions of Borough Ordinance 1201-09
- Resolution 1-34: Approving a Tow Operator’s License J & M Towing in Accordance with the Provisions of Borough Ordinance 1201-09
- Resolution 1-35: Approving a Tow Operator’s License Camp Auto and Truck Parts in Accordance with the Provisions of Borough Ordinance 1201-09

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilwoman Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolution approved 01/01/2020

There being no additional business to be conducted a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council President Rodgers, seconded by Councilman Lace unanimously affirmed by all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 1:04PM.

Prepared by: _____
Lisa O’Neill, Deputy Borough Clerk

DATE