

**MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF DOVER
MINUTES OF THE REORGANIZATION MEETING FOR JANUARY 1, 2014**

The Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held in council chambers, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover, New Jersey.

Mayor Dodd called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

Judge Maenza administered the Oaths of Offices to:

Alderwoman Noriega while her husband Agustin held the bible.
Alderwoman Romaine while her sister Karin held the bible.
Alderman Visioli while his wife Rae Ann and son James held the bible.
Alderman Rutan while his wife Kathryn held the bible.

Mayor Dodd recognized dignitaries in the audience including Senator Anthony Bucco, Assemblyman Anthony Bucco, Douglas Cabana, Freeholder, and Gerald Kelly and Robert Cascone, Public Defenders, Mike Obremski, JCP&L Representative.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops past and present.

Invocation was given by Reverend Darcy Quiles.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Close, Attorney Downs and Clerk Verga

Clerk Verga stated this meeting is in compliance with the open public meetings act.

Kathy Gratacos sang God Bless America and America the Beautiful

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Special Recognition

Stanley Schoonmaker – Proclamation for a Lifetime Achievement Award
Thomas Toohey – Plaque for 50 years of service in the Town of Dover Volunteer Fire Department
Donald Schwartz – Plaque for 50 years of service in the Town of Dover Volunteer Fire Department
Jon Filosa was presented with the Past Fire Chief's Badge

RESOLUTIONS to be presented by ALDERMAN VISIOLI

**RESOLUTION NO. 01-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT
FOR MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Dover has a need to acquire Legal Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

RESOLUTION NO. 03-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF
DOVER APPOINTING CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER AND PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE
JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT OF DOVER

WHEREAS, the Town of Dover of the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, has established a Joint Municipal Court serving the Town of Dover, Township of Mine Hill, Borough of Mt. Arlington, Borough of Rockaway, Borough of Wharton and Borough of Victory Gardens under a Shared Services Agreement with the Town of Dover as lead agency; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Dover has a need to acquire Legal Services for the Joint Municipal Court as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5

WHEREAS, the CFO has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisitions will exceed \$17,500 and that the funds are available for this award pursuant to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Kelly, Esq. and Robert Cascone, Esq. have completed and submitted Business Entity Disclosure Certifications which certifies that they have not made any reportable contributions to a political candidate or committee in the Town of Dover with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and that the contract will prohibit, Gerald Kelly, Esq. and Robert Cascone, Esq. from making any reportable contributions through for the term of the contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a contract as described herein; and

- A. Gerald Kelly, Esq. to be appointed as Chief Public Defender of the Joint Court of Dover, serving the Town of Dover, Township of Mine Hill, Borough of Mt. Arlington, Borough of Rockaway, Borough of Wharton and Borough of Victory Gardens at a salary of \$23,031 retainer for year 2014, plus \$500 per extra session; and
- B. Robert Cascone, Esq. to be appointed Public Defender of the Joint Court of Dover, serving the Town of Dover, Township of Mine Hill, Borough of Mt. Arlington, Borough of Rockaway, Borough of Wharton and Borough of Victory Gardens at a salary of \$23,031 retainer for year 2014, plus \$500 per extra session; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the appointment of Chief Municipal Public Defender and Public Defender for the Joint Municipal Court is made without competitive bidding as it is a “professional service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, because attorneys are a recognized profession, licensed and regulated by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Township of Mine Hill, Borough of Mt. Arlington, Borough of Rockaway, Borough of Wharton and Borough of Victory Gardens which are hereby being requested to consider adoption of a similar resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of said resolution by the Town of Dover, Township of Mine Hill, Borough of Mt. Arlington, Borough of Rockaway, Borough of Wharton and Borough of Victory Gardens, a copy of said Resolutions shall be forwarded to the Honorable Thomas L. Weisenbeck, Assignment Judge Superior Court and the Honorable Gerard Smith, Judge of the Joint Court of Dover.

Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

Clerk Verga gave the oath of office to both Gerald Kelly and Robert Cascone.

RESOLUTION NO. 04-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN
OF DOVER AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN
CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL MUNICIPAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Town of Dover, hereinafter “Dover,” has need to acquire special legal services as a Non-Fair and Open Contract; and

WHEREAS, this award is an exception to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 which may be awarded without bid as a “professional service”; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the special legal counsel is limited to providing legal services for any labor related matters, such as contract negotiations, personnel issues as assigned; and

WHEREAS, special counsel is to receive the same hourly rate as the town attorney, which is \$165.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has certified that funds are available for this award; and

WHEREAS, Matthew J. Giacobbe, Esq. has submitted a Business Disclosure Entity Certification;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Matthew J. Giacobbe, Esq. is hereby appointed as special counsel for the limited purposes of providing legal services regarding personnel matters as well as contract negotiations as assigned.
2. The special counsel shall enter into a written contract incorporating the within terms and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute such contract.

Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

RESOLUTIONS to be presented by ALDERMAN PICCIALLO

RESOLUTION NO. 05-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER,
COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
APPOINTING MARIA SANTANA AS DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Deputy Municipal Clerk for the Town of Dover; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-135 provides for the appointment of a Deputy Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, she has received her Registered Municipal Clerk's certification;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that Maria Santana be and is hereby appointed Deputy Municipal Clerk for a term of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Salary be provided for in the necessary Salary Ordinance of the Town of Dover.

Alderman Picciallo has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderwoman Romaine and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER,
COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
APPOINTING ANDREA CORONEOS AS TAX COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Municipal Tax Collector for the Town of Dover; and

WHEREAS, Andrea Coroneos is a certified Tax Collector of the State of New Jersey and is willing to perform the functions of tax collector; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that Andrea Coroneos be and is hereby appointed Tax Collector for the Town of Dover as follows:

1. Andrea Coroneos is hereby appointed Tax Collector for the Town of Dover.
2. The salary will be consistent with the salary ordinance.
3. The appointment of a (4) year term commences on January 1, 2014 as consistent with New Jersey Statute.

RESOLUTIONS to be presented by ALDERWOMAN ROMAINE

RESOLUTION NO. 09-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER
APPOINTING INSURANCE CARRIERS FOR THE TOWN OF DOVER

WHEREAS, there exists a need for various insurance coverage's for the Town of Dover; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, in the County of Morris, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey as follows:

1. **THE TOWN OF DOVER** shall participate in the Morris County Joint Insurance Fund for the following items:
 - (a) comprehensive property and liability;
 - (b) automobile liability and property damage;
 - (c) workmen's compensation;
 - (d) boiler and machinery; and
 - (e) excess liability (umbrella)
 - (f) police professional liability
 - (g) public official liability
 - (h) environmental liability
 - (i) employment practices liability

This coverage shall be for the Town of Dover and Dover Water Commission.

2. **BENSON THOMPSON AGENCY, INC. AND HENRY O. BAKER INSURANCE, INC.** is hereby appointed as insurance agent to obtain additional coverage as necessary for the Town of Dover during the year 2014.
3. The appointment to act as insurance agents for the Town of Dover are made without competitive bidding as it is an exception under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law.
4. A copy of this resolution shall be published in the newspaper designated as the Town of Dover official newspaper for the publishing of notices and shall be available at Town Hall.
5. This appointment shall be for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014.

Alderman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Visioli and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DOVER WAIVING THE APPOINTMENT OF A RISK
MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT/INSURANCE PRODUCER AND INDEMNIFYING AND HOLDING
HARMLESS THE MUNICIPAL EXCESS LIABILITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND AS A
RESULT OF ANY CLAIMS ARISING FROM SAID ACTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Dover is a member of the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund, (hereinafter known as the MEL), a public entity established under Public Law 1983, c.372 of Title

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover that there be and is hereby appropriated as follows:

CURRENT FUND	5,192,087.00
WATER UTILITY	621,005.00
PARKING UTILITY	72,588.00

as temporary appropriations for the year 2014

<u>FCOA</u>	<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		
20-100	Administrative & Executive	Salaries & Wages	65,000.00
		Other Expenses	25,000.00
20-110	Mayor & Board of Aldermen	Salaries & Wages	20,000.00
		Other Expenses	10,000.00
20-125	Town Clerk	Salaries & Wages	37,000.00
		Other Expenses	5,000.00
20-130	Financial Administration	Salaries & Wages	42,000.00
		Other Expenses	8,570.00
20-135	Annual Audit	Other Expenses	20,000.00
20-145	Collection of Taxes	Salaries & Wages	30,000.00
		Other Expenses	3,000.00
20-150	Assessment of Taxes	Salaries & Wages	19,400.00
		Other Expenses	7,000.00
20-155	Legal Services & Costs	Other Expenses	40,000.00
20-165	Engineering Services	Salaries & Wages	34,300.00
		Other Expenses	8,000.00
20-167	Planning Consultant	Other Expenses	-
20-175	Historic Preservation	Salaries & Wages	1,302.00
		Other Expenses	2,000.00
21-180	Planning Board	Salaries & Wages	1,370.00
		Other Expenses	3,000.00
21-185	Board of Adjustment	Salaries & Wages	1,370.00
		Other Expenses	3,000.00
22-195	Construction	Salaries & Wages	28,500.00
		Other Expenses	5,000.00
22-200	Code Enforcement	Salaries & Wages	72,000.00
		Other Expenses	2,500.00
23-210	Other Insurance		130,000.00
23-215	Workers Compensation		130,000.00
23-220	Group Insurance		900,000.00
25-240	Police	Salaries & Wages	950,000.00
		Other Expenses	50,000.00
25-250	Police Dispatch/911	Other Expenses	308,000.00
25-252	Office of Emergency Mgmt.	Salaries & Wages	-
		Other Expenses	1,000.00
25-265	Fire	Salaries & Wages	100,000.00
		Other Expenses	20,000.00
25-266	Uniform Fire Safety Act	Salaries & Wages	22,700.00
		Other Expenses	1,700.00
25-275	Municipal Prosecutor	Salaries & Wages	21,000.00
26-290	Streets & Roads	Salaries & Wages	160,000.00
		Other Expenses	20,000.00
26-292	Snow & Ice Removal	Salaries & Wages	20,000.00

		Other Expenses	50,000.00
26-295	Solid Waste & Recycling	Salaries & Wages	13,170.00
		Other Expenses	350,000.00
26-300	Sewer	Salaries & Wages	46,500.00
		Other Expenses	3,000.00
26-310	Public Buildings & Grounds	Salaries & Wages	16,000.00
		Other Expenses	15,000.00
27-330	Health	Salaries & Wages	18,000.00
		Other Expenses	30,000.00
27-347	Sr. Citizen Services	Salaries & Wages	8,500.00
		Other Expenses	5,000.00
28-370	Parks & Playgrounds	Salaries & Wages	10,500.00
		Other Expenses	7,000.00
28-375	Shade Tree	Other Expenses	10,000.00
29-390	Maintenance of Free Public Library	Salaries & Wages	21,500.00
		Other Expenses	100,000.00
30-419	Lease Agreement	Other Expenses	
31-430	Utilities & Bulk Purchases	Other Expenses	450,000.00
37-480	Judgements		
42-490	ILSA - Municipal Court		
42-330	ILSA - Mt Olive Twsp Health Services		11,200.00
43-490	Municipal Court	Salaries & Wages	111,000.00
		Other Expenses	15,000.00
43-495	Public Defender	Other Expenses	12,000.00
	<u>STATUTORY EXPENDITURES</u>		
36-471	Public Employees Retirement System		363,000.00
36-474	Consolidated Police & Firemen's Pension Fund		12,100.00
36-475	Police & Firemen's Retirement System		
36-472	Social Security/medicare		90,000.00
36-477	DCRP		
	<u>OTHER OPERATIONS</u>		
	Municipal Alliance Grant/Local		1,000.00
	Municipal Alliance Grant/County		3,000.00
	Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over		4,400.00
		SUB TOTAL	5,105,582.00
45-920	Debt Service - Payment of Bonds	Principal	-
45-930		Interest	86,505.00
45-935	Debt Service - Interest on Notes	Interest	-
	TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS		5,192,087.00
	<u>WATER UTILITY</u>		
55-500		Salaries & Wages	121,378.00
55-500		Other Expenses	356,602.00

55-508		Social Security	9,180.00
55-511		Capital Imp Fund	-
55-540		PERS	60,116.00
		SUB TOTAL	547,276.00

55-520	Debt Service - Payment of Bonds	Principal	
55-522		Interest	58,616.00
55-524	NJEIT		15,113.00
	TOTAL WATER APPROPRIATIONS		621,005.00

PARKING UTILITY

55-500		Salaries & Wages	22,000.00
55-500		Other Expenses	29,185.00
55-503		Social Security	1,680.00
55-540		PERS	8,700.00
		SUB TOTAL	61,565.00

55-520	Debt Service - Payment of Bonds		
55-522	Debt Service - Interest on Bonds	Interest	11,023.00

TOTAL PARKING APPROPRIATIONS 72,588.00

Alderswoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Visioli and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
 Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

RESOLUTIONS to be presented by ALDERWOMAN BLACKMAN

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-2014
 RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER
 DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES FOR THE TOWN OF DOVER**

WHEREAS, Revised Statute 40A:5-14 of the State of New Jersey provides that the Governing Body of every municipality shall designate the depository or depositories wherein all public monies and other funds of the municipality shall be kept.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover that the following financial institution is designated as the depository wherein all such public monies and fund shall be deposited to the credit of the Town of Dover and the custodian shall be the Town Treasurer for the year commencing January 1, 2014:

Provident Bank

Alderwoman Blackman has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Rutan and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER
DESIGNATING MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR 2014**

BE IT RESOLVED that the regular public caucus meetings of the Mayor and Board of Alderman shall be held at 7:00 p.m.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the regular public meetings of the Mayor and Board of Alderman shall be held immediately following the conclusion of the caucus meetings at the Dover Town Hall on the second and fourth **TUESDAY** of each month (*except as otherwise noted) namely:

JANUARY	14	&	28
FEBRUARY	11	&	25
MARCH	11	&	25
APRIL	8	&	22
MAY	13	&	27
JUNE	10	&	24
JULY	8	&	22
AUGUST	12	&	26
SEPTEMBER	9	&	23
OCTOBER	14	&	28
NOVEMBER	10*	&	25
DECEMBER	16*		

REORGANIZATION JANUARY 1, 2015 - 12 NOON

Alderwoman Blackman has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Rutan and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN ACTING AS THE
REDEVELOPMENT ENTITY OF THE TOWN OF DOVER DESIGNATING MEETING DATES FOR
THE REDEVELOPMENT ENTITY FOR THE YEAR 2014**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen acting as the Redevelopment Entity of the Town of Dover that the Redevelopment Entity meetings for the Town of Dover for the year 2014 shall be held immediately following the conclusion of the caucus meetings at the Dover Town Hall on the second and fourth **TUESDAY** of each month (*except as otherwise noted) namely:

JANUARY 14 & 28
 FEBRUARY 11 & 25
 MARCH 11 & 25
 APRIL 8 & 22
 MAY 13 & 27
 JUNE 10 & 24
 JULY 8 & 22
 AUGUST 12 & 26
 SEPTEMBER 9 & 23
 OCTOBER 14 & 28
 NOVEMBER 10* & 25
 DECEMBER 16*

REORGANIZATION JANUARY 1, 2015 - 12 NOON

Alderman Blackman has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Rutan and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
 Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

RESOLUTION NO. 16-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER
APPOINTING SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE TOWN OF DOVER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover that the following be and hereby are appointed **SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS** for the Town of Dover for a term of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014.

CLASS I: Joan Smith	CLASS II: James Rice
Laura C. Covine	William J. Fichter
Christian Seugling	Gregory Lis
	Charles J. Campbell Sr.

Alderman Blackman has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Rutan and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
 Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

RESOLUTIONS to be presented by ALDERMAN RUTAN

RESOLUTION NO. 17-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER
APPOINTING CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE TOWN OF DOVER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover that the following be and hereby are appointed **CROSSING GUARDS** for the Town of Dover for a term of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN
OF DOVER APPOINTING ANDREW DUJACK TO THE ROCKAWAY RIVER
WATERSHED CABINET FOR THE TOWN OF DOVER**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Town of Dover, County of Morris, NJ that **Andrew DuJack** hereby is appointed as a representative to the **Rockaway River Watershed Cabinet** for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2014.

Alderwoman Noriega has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-2014
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER
FORMALIZING A TEN DAY GRACE PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF TAXES
FOR THE TOWN OF DOVER**

WHEREAS, property tax payments are required to be made on the first of the month in February, May, August and November of each year; and

WHEREAS, the Town has enacted a provision for interest payments and late payments; and

WHEREAS, the law allows for a ten (10) day grace period from the first of the month within which time payment will not be deemed late and no interest charged; and

WHEREAS, if payment is made after the ten (10) day grace period interest runs from the first of the month, not the tenth (10th) of the month.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover as follows:

1. The Town of Dover adopted the ten (10) day grace period for the payment of taxes as described above.
2. The Tax Collector is authorized to accept the payment of taxes without any interest within such ten (10) day period.

Alderwoman Noriega has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

*Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, Yzarnotegui, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd
Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None*

- We extensively renovated our athletic fields, volleyball courts, basketball courts at both Crescent Field & Water Works Park
- We implemented a cost savings program to fund new playground equipment at JFK and Waterworks Park
- Public servants and our professional staff worked very hard to win a competitive grant from Major League Baseball to completely renovate the aging King Field Baseball Complex, which had not had any major rejuvenation since its initial installation in 1964. The grant, which was supplemented by bond funds, reduced our costs by more significantly on the project for an enormous return on our investment and will allow us to provide playing fields that are a source of pride for all of us.
- Dover High School earned the distinction of becoming a Blue Ribbon School, which is a great honor in the field of education
- Alderman Picciallo worked with Assemblyman Bucco and Senator Bucco to rename the new Route 46 Bridge in Honor of Officer DeShazo, the first Dover Police officer who lost his life in service to this community.
- Along with Alderman Rutan, I personally oversaw the renovation of our Public Works Recycling Facility, which is now a more fitting place for residents to interact with Town employees with expanded operating hours to best serve our community.
- We recently made a major upgrade to Town Hall by installing new doors, which consistent with my philosophy, maintains the original historical appearance of the building.
- In keeping with my Comprehensive Plan for Economic Redevelopment, Berkley College recently came to Town after merging with the Dover Business College. While I am saddened to see the name Dover removed from the name, the Berkley brand is well-known and we are very happy to have them in our Town as member of our educational and business communities.
- Alderwoman Noriega introduced an Ordinance to move a stop sign in the First Ward to improve safety on the public roadway.
- I am very proud about the resurgence of Boy Scout Troop 64 and especially proud of our 1st Eagle Scout, Jeffery Miller whose project made much needed improvements Orchard Street Cemetery.
- Alderwoman Blackman continued to lead family oriented activities of our movie nights in JFK Park and our Trunk or Treat Halloween Program despite dealing with the loss of her beloved husband, Nathaniel, who was a gentleman, a supporter of his wife, and a much respected community member in his own right.
- Dover also welcomes a several new businesses to our community, Lazy Boy Furniture Store, Rent All Center, and new restaurant, Table 42, to our business community.

In 2014 the momentum shall continue in the following ways:

- Redevelopment will be on the forefront. We are currently working with developers for new exciting redevelopment in 2014 in several areas throughout Town. Requests For Proposals will be sent out in January to market all our municipal parking lots and town owned land. Well-planned redevelopment that is compliant with the vision for our community as established in our Form-Based Code is the key to the continued revitalization of our business district and our economic prosperity.
- Plans are set to create and implement an initiative to enforce commercial vehicle equipment and weight regulations on trucks operating in the town, which will decrease noise and wear and tear on our public roadways
- Without delay, we will increase the police department manpower by at least ten percent, with interviews beginning this month.
- I am prepared to recommend an initiative designed to protect the children of the Town from violent predators, which you will hear about in the forthcoming weeks
- I intend to recommend off street parking to our community during snow events
- We will complete the renovations to our beautiful Town Library building, which we anticipate will be ready for public use in late January

- As promised, we will continue the review and revision of the Town policies, procedures, practices, and programs and make necessary changes
- In my commitment to shared services, I will continue to seek out opportunities for offering enhanced services and reduced costs with surrounding municipalities
- I will recommend to add additional staff to our Code Enforcement Department and take this Department to the next level
- As promised, I will continue to expand upon the implementation of my bedrock philosophies of transparency and information sharing, by installing a new permanent variable message board at JFK Park that will aesthetically complement the historic nature of that area.
- JFK and Hurd Park will both undergo much-needed cosmetic and structural enhancements including the renovation of the well-known Pavilion with all of its beloved historical elements.
- The historical and famous “Dogs of Dover” will undergo a much-needed renovation this year as we continue to demonstrate respect for our past by preserving it for our future.

As we say good-bye to 2013, with its joys, accomplishments, and sorrows, I am reminded of the words of both Tennyson and Lincoln. Alfred Lord Tennyson said, “Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come, whispering 'it will be happier...'” And Lincoln wrote, “Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any other.” There is much to say about each of these thoughtful bits of wisdom and we can each learn something from them.

While serving as your Mayor, I have learned many things, not the least of which is that service is a privilege, our community is a blessing, and that I remain honored and humbled by your faith and trust in me to lead our community.

May God bless you and keep you. May God bless America. May God bless Dover and all who live here!

Happy New Year!

MAYOR’S APPOINTMENTS

RECREATION COMMISSION:

Maribel Garland – 5 year term exp. 12/31/18

PLANNING BOARD:

Paul McGrath – Class IV Member 4 year term exp. 12/31/17

William Gilbert – Class IV Member 4 year term exp. 12/31/17

William Isselin – Class II Member – 1 year term exp. 12/31/14

Dave Lenox – Alternate I – 2year term exp. 12/31/15

Mayor’s Representative – Alderwoman Cindy Romaine – 1 year term exp. 12/31/14

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Richard Gratacos – Class C Member – 4 year term exp. 12/31/17

Rafael Rivera – Alternate I Member – 2 year term exp. 12/31/15

WATER COMMISSION

John Holinko – 3 year term exp. 12/31/16

LIBRARY

Carol Walker – 5 year term exp. 12/31/18

SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Alderman Blackman, Chairman

Alderman MacDonald

