

**BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH
CHARTER STUDY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 10, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.**

A Meeting of the Charter Study Commission of the Borough of Bradley Beach was held in the Meeting Room, 701 Main Street, Bradley Beach, New Jersey on the above date and time.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Kostyz opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

Sunshine Law was read.

ROLL CALL AT 6:00 P.M.

Present at the December 10, 2024 Meeting:

Commission Members: Mr. Coan, Ms. Davidson, Mr. Greenberg, Mr. Kaplan, and Ms. Maslanka Duffy
Municipal Clerk, Erica Kostyz

Public Comments Agenda Items:

Ben Forest, resident of Red Bank, N.J., congratulated the Commission members and spoke highly of his experiences on the Red Bank Charter Study Commission that studied their form of government in 2022.

Nancy Facey-Blackwood, resident of Red Bank, N.J., congratulated the Commission members and also spoke highly of her experiences on the Red Bank Charter Study Commission that studied their form of government in 2022.

Paul Neshamkin, 411 ½ LaReine Avenue, congratulated the Commission members and as President of the Bradley Beach Historical Society offered his assistance with Bradley Beach Charter Study Commission history.

Oaths of Office: administered by Ms. Kostyz to the following Commission members:

Thomas J. Coan
Tracie Davidson
Donald Greenberg
Refet Kaplan
Linda Maslanka Duffy

Each member of the Commission gave a brief biography of their history and connection to Bradley Beach.

RESOLUTIONS:

2024-1 A Resolution setting the regular meeting schedule for the Bradley Beach Charter Study Commission.

Please note it was first decided by this Commission to conduct two meetings monthly on the first Thursday and third Wednesday of each month from January to August. It was later discovered after this meeting that the schedule selected in the meeting conflicted with another Committee's monthly meetings. Ms. Kostyz spoke directly via telephone with each member separately that evening and received the consent from each member to change the meeting schedule to every second and fourth Monday from January to August.

ON MOTION by Coan/Maslanka Duffy to adopt Resolution 2024-1.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Coan, Davidson, Greenberg, Kaplan, Maslanka Duffy
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ADOPTED

2024-2 A Resolution of the Bradley Beach Charter Study Commission requesting budget and expense allocations from the Borough.

The Commission decided on the following amounts for budget expenses for a total not to exceed \$50,000.00:

**General Counsel Services - \$40,000.00
Part-Time Secretary Services - \$7,000.00
Programming & Materials - \$3,000.00**

Ms. Kostyz stated she was conducting the first meeting as a courtesy and would be unable to do this during the period of this Commission's study. Ms. Kostyz stated the Commission would need to select another person to perform the secretarial duties for this Commission.

ON MOTION by Greenberg/Kaplan to adopt Resolution 2024-2.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Coan, Davidson, Greenberg, Kaplan, Maslanka Duffy
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ADOPTED

2024-3 A Resolution requesting that the Borough of Bradley Beach advertise a Request for Qualifications for General Counsel Legal Services for the Bradley Beach Charter Study Commission.

ON MOTION by Kaplan/Maslanka-Duffy to adopt Resolution 2024-3.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Coan, Davidson, Greenberg, Kaplan, Maslanka-Duffy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ADOPTED

Commissioner Greenberg requested future Agendas include a second set of public comments.

The Commissioners discussed and decided the Organization to be as follows:

Chair: Refet Kaplan

Vice-Chair: Donald Greenberg

Treasurer: Thomas J. Coan

Secretary: To be determined

Discussions ensued between the Commission Members and Mr. Forest and Ms. Facey-Blackwood regarding meeting procedures, interviews with residents, departments and public officials, communications to include emails and social media.

Coan/Greenberg made a motion to open a second public comment session. All members were in favor.

Public Comments:

James Shissias, 112 Fourth Avenue, inquired about the margin of approval for a change of government for Red Bank.

Mr. Forest and Ms. Facey-Blackwood addressed this inquiry.

Barb Kenny, 216 Brinley Avenue, thanked the Commission members.

Jane DeNoble, 612 Third Avenue, stated she is appreciative of the Commission members.

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION by Maslanka-Duffy/Greenberg to adjourn the Meeting at 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Coan, Davidson, Greenberg, Kaplan, Maslanka-Duffy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

THE COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.

Erica Kostyz, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk