

MINUTES

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY

Reorganization Meeting

January 8, 2026

The Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Adjustment was called to order at 7:00 PM.

It was confirmed that the meeting was being held in conformance with all regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice of this meeting has been posted on the Township website and sent to the newspaper of record. The Agenda has been posted on the Township website and bulletin board at the Municipal Building at least forty-eight hours prior to the meeting. The Agenda items will not necessarily be heard in the order listed and the meeting will not continue substantially past 10:30 PM.

Oath of Public Officers – Newly Appointed Members

The oath of office was administered to the following members by Malcolm Thorpe, Esq. prior to the start of the meeting.

Robert Delia – 4-year term to end 12/31/2029

William F. Smith, Jr. – Alternate #2 – 2-year term to end 12/31/2027

Roll Call:

Members present were Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Coviello, Mr. Delia, Mr. Ringwood, Mr. Sylvester, Ms. West-Augustin, Mr. Deegan, and Mr. Smith. Malcolm Thorpe, Esq., Board Attorney, was also present.

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Election of Board Chairman

Mr. Sullivan was nominated to serve as Board Chairman on the motion of Mr. Sylvester, seconded by Mr. Ringwood. There were no other nominations and Mr. Sullivan was elected Board Chairman by roll call vote 7-0.

Election of Board Vice Chairman

Mr. Coviello was nominated to serve as Board Vice Chairman on the motion of Mr. Ringwood, seconded by Mr. Deegan. There were no other nominations and Mr. Coviello was elected Board Vice Chairman by roll call vote 7 – 0.

Designation and Adoption of Resolutions

The following designations were made and the resolutions memorializing those designations were adopted on the motion of Mr. Delia, seconded by Mr. Coviello and carried by unanimous roll call vote 7 – 0.

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Official Newspapers – The Courier News and the Star Ledger

Secretarial Services – Regina Giardina

Board Secretary – Connie Valenti

Escrow Official – Connie Valenti

Bylaws for 2026

Board Attorney – Amanda Wolfe of the firm, Dempsey, Dempsey & Sheehan

Open to Public

The hearing was opened to the public. There were no members of the public who had comments or questions.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Deegan, seconded by Mr. Smith, to adjourn the meeting. The voice vote was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Connie Valenti, Secretary