

MILFORD CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
May 6, 2019

The Annual Organizational Meeting of Milford City Council was held Monday, May 6, 2019 in the Joseph Ronnie Rogers Council Chambers of Milford City Hall at 201 South Walnut Street, Milford, Delaware.

PRESIDING: Mayor Archie Campbell

IN ATTENDANCE: Councilpersons Mike Boyle, Lisa Ingram Peel, Todd Culotta, Owen Brooks Jr., Douglas Morrow, Jason James Sr. and Katrina Wilson

STAFF: City Manager Eric Norenberg, Police Chief Kenneth Brown and City Clerk Terri Hudson

COUNSEL: Solicitor David Rutt, Esquire

Mayor Campbell called the Annual Organization Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

The invocation, given by Councilmember Wilson, followed the Pledge of Allegiance.

CERTIFICATION BY BOARD OF ELECTION

City Manager Norenberg referenced the Certification Letter included in the May 6, 2019 Council packet, submitted by the 2019 City of Milford of Elections stating as follows:

*Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council:*

*As members of the City of Milford Board of Election and in accordance with 15 Del. C. §7558(d), we hereby certify the results of the April 27, 2019 Annual Election, in which one office were contested, to be as follows:*

<i>Total Votes Cast for Ward One Council Seat:</i>	<i>279</i>
<i>Daniel Marabello</i>	<i>181</i>
<i>Samuel Passwaters III</i>	<i>98</i>

*Following a review and recalculation of absentee and machine votes, Daniel Marabello has been officially declared the winner of the Ward One Council election.*

*There being only one candidate for each Office of Councilperson in Wards Two, Three and Four, the Election Board of the City of Milford hereby declares the following candidates elected for a two-year term beginning May 6, 2019:*

*F. Todd Culotta - Ward Two  
Douglas E. Morrow - Ward Three  
Jason L. James Sr. - Ward Four*

*Above three candidates are entitled to assume office without a formal election pursuant to 15 Del. C. §7555(j).*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*City of Milford Board of Elections  
s/Board Member Karen Boone  
s/Board Member Joanne Leuthauser  
s/Board Member Katrina White*

## ELECTION REPORT

City Manager Eric Norenberg then read the 2019 City of Milford Election results into record:

*On behalf of the Board of Elections for the City of Milford, I am reporting the certified results of the April 27, 2019 City of Milford Annual Election to be as follows:*

*With only one contested City Council race in the First Ward, a total of 279 persons voted, with Daniel Marabello receiving 181 votes and Samuel Passwaters receiving 98 votes.*

*After certifying the results of the Annual Election, the Election Board officially declared Daniel Marabello the winner. Councilman Elect Marabello's two-year term will commence the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019, following the administration of the Oath of Office by the Honorable Jeffrey J. Clark.*

*Given:*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Councilperson F. Todd Culotta,*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Councilperson Douglas S. Morrow*

*and*

*4<sup>th</sup> Ward Councilperson Jason James Sr.*

*each ran unopposed, an Election for those Offices was not required (pursuant to 15 Del. C. §7555(j)). Each office carries a two-year term beginning the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019.*

Mr. Brooks moved to accept the 2019 Election Report, seconded by Mr. Morrow. Motion carried with no one opposed.

## OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Campbell announced the Honorable Jeffrey J. Clarke of the Delaware Superior Court, was in attendance to administer the Oath of Office to the re-elected and newly elected members of City Council:

1<sup>st</sup> Ward Councilmember Daniel Marabello

2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Councilmember F. Todd Culotta

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Councilmember Douglas E. Morrow

4<sup>th</sup> Ward Councilmember Jason L. James Sr.

Each Councilmember, accompanied by family member(s), was individually administered the Oath of Office by Judge Clarke.

VICE MAYOR NOMINATION & ELECTION

Mayor Campbell then opened the floor to nominations for Vice Mayor.

Councilman Brooks moved to nominate Councilman Douglas Morrow to serve as Vice Mayor for a one-year term, seconded by Councilman James. Motion carried (no additional nominations made).

CITY SOLICITOR APPOINTMENT

On motion of Councilman Boyle, seconded by Councilman James, David Rutt was reappointed Solicitor for the City of Milford with all present voting in favor and no one opposed.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Campbell announced the following Committee Assignments beginning May 2019:

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIR</u>	<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>MEETS</u>
Annexation	Owen Brooks	Dan Marabello, Todd Culotta, Doug Morrow	As needed
Community & Economic Development	Mike Boyle	Lisa Peel, Todd Culotta, Katrina Wilson	5:30 p.m. Every other Second Monday- (Odd Months) January, March, May, July, September, November
Finance & Public Works	Jason James	Dan Marabello, Lisa Peel, Doug Morrow	5:30 p.m. Every other Second Monday- (Even Months) February, April, June, August, October, December
Police	Katrina Wilson	Mike Boyle, Lisa Peel, Jason James	5:30 p.m. Every other Fourth Monday- (Even Months) February, April, June, August, October
Milford Cemetery Board		Owen Brooks	8:30 a.m.; Quarterly- January, April, July, October

Kent Economic Partnership		Mike Boyle	Every other month or as scheduled
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Councilmember Wilson moved to endorse the appointments, seconded by Councilmember James. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Ms. Wilson moved to adjourn the Annual Organizational Meeting, seconded by Mr. Morrow. Motion carried.

The Annual Organizational Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri K. Hudson, MMC  
City Clerk/Recorder