

BURNSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
Special Organizational Meeting
Monday, December 2, 2013

The Town Council, with members Mayor Danny McIntosh, Ruth Banks, Judy Buchanan, Ron Powell, and Bill Wheeler present, held a special meeting on Monday, December 2, 2013, at the Town Hall. Also in attendance were Mayor-elect Theresa Coletta; town staff members Brian Buchanan, Leslie Crowder, Anthony Hensley, Jeanne Martin, and George Nero, and many visitors, including the Honorable F. Warren Hughes, District Court Judge; Tammy McEntyre, Yancey County Clerk of Court; and Planning Board Chairman Dean Gates. Mayor McIntosh, who presided, called the meeting to order, stating that the purpose of the meeting was to organize the Town Council subsequent to the municipality's recent election.

- Oaths of Office for Councilors-Elect - The Honorable F. Warren Hughes administered oaths of office to newly-elected Mayor Theresa Coletta and re-elected Town Councilors Ruth Banks and Ron Powell. After being sworn in, Mayor Coletta and Councilors Ruth Banks and Ron Powell were seated with Council members Judy Buchanan and Bill Wheeler. Mayor Coletta thanked former Mayor McIntosh for his eight years of service to the Town of Burnsville. Councilor Judy Buchanan also thanked Mayor McIntosh and presented him with a small commemorative gift.
- Election of Mayor pro tempore – Judy Buchanan made a motion to appoint Ron Powell as Mayor pro tempore. Ruth Banks seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
- Establishment of Regular Meeting Schedule – By consensus, it was agreed to adhere to the current schedule for regular meetings, which are held the first Thursday of each month in the upstairs boardroom at the Town Hall, at 6:00 p.m.
- Banking Authority – Ron Powell made a motion to authorize banking authority to Mayor Theresa Coletta, Town Clerk Jeanne Martin, and Finance Officer Leslie Crowder. Ruth Banks seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
- Ron Powell made a motion to recess the meeting to hold a reception in honor of the newly seated Town Council; Council will reconvene at 7 p.m. at the Fire Department on North Main Street. Motion carried.

At 7:00 p.m. on December 2, 2014, Council reconvened its Special Meeting at the Fire Department located on North Main Street. In attendance were Mayor Theresa Coletta, Councilors Ruth Banks, Judy Buchanan, Ron Powell, and Bill Wheeler. Also attending were Town Clerk Jeanne Martin, Fire Chief Niles Howell, and many members of the Burnsville Fire Department. Mayor Coletta announced that Council was interested in touring the department. She asked department members to point out any and all concerns so Council could better meet the needs of the fire department. Council then toured the building with department members.

After the tour, the Mayor and Councilors individually expressed their appreciation for the firefighters' service and acknowledged their concern over the needs of the department. Individually they pledged to work together to prioritize the needs and reach some solutions.

The Mayor asked that someone regularly attend Town Council meetings in order to represent the Fire Department.

There being no further business, Bill Wheeler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ron Powell seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.



Jeanne Martin, Town Clerk



Theresa Coletta, Mayor