



*WHEREAS, Judge Blum is a graduate of State University of New York at Binghamton and New York Law School; and*

*WHEREAS, Judge Blum was admitted to practice law in New York State Courts, 1963; United States District Court for Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, 1966; United States Court of Claims, 1967; United States Supreme Court, 1967; State and Federal Courts of New Jersey, 1969; National Panel of Arbitrators of American Arbitration Association, 1972; and*

*WHEREAS, Judge Blum began his career in law in 1962 working for Allstate Insurance Company and Public Service Mutual Insurance Company before starting his own general law practice; and*

*WHEREAS, in 1975 Judge Blum started his municipal career as Municipal Prosecutor for Hazlet Township and Attorney for the Hazlet Township Planning Board which grew to Hazlet Township Zoning Board of Adjustment Attorney and Rent Control Board Attorney; Manalapan Township Board of Health Attorney, Zoning Board of Adjustment Attorney and Public Defender; Union Beach Borough Planning Board Attorney; Aberdeen Township Zoning Board of Adjustment and Planning Board Attorney; Keansburg Borough Planning Board Attorney and starting in 1983 Municipal Court Judge for Hazlet Township, Union Beach Borough, Aberdeen Township, Keyport Borough, Freehold Borough; and*

*WHEREAS, Judge Blum's county career started in 1995 as the first Presiding Judge of the Municipal Courts of Monmouth Count and a Juvenile Referee of Superior Court, Family Division of Monmouth County; and*

*WHEREAS, Judge Blum has served this community well and has displayed the highest example of character, ethics, morals, and unselfish service over his years in Aberdeen Township; and*

*WHEREAS, Judge Blum will be kept busy in his retirement by his wife, two children, and three grandchildren.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVID G. SOBEL, MAYOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABERDEEN** do hereby proclaim, on behalf of the Township Council of the Township of Aberdeen and the citizens of Aberdeen Township, our gratitude to Judge Robert C. Blum for his years of service which have benefited our community and all of Monmouth County and express our most sincere wishes for a healthy and happy retirement.

There was a round of applause for Judge Blum.

#### **HEARING OF THE CITIZEN - Agenda Items Only**

Mayor Sobel asked anyone wishing to be heard on agenda items to come forward and state their name and address. There being no one present wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel declared the Hearing of the Citizens on agenda items closed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Councilman Drapkin made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda.

Seconded by Councilman Raymond.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Councilmen Drapkin, Perry, Raymond, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Gumbs and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None  
Abstain: None

**Consent Agenda:**

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-1: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby appoints a Bond Counsel for the year 2007.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-2: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby appoints a Municipal Prosecutor for the year 2007.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-3: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby appoints a Municipal Public Defender for the year 2007.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-4: BE IT RESOLVED that Thomas P. Fallon, Registered Municipal Accountant No. 465, is hereby appointed as Municipal Auditor for the year 2007.
5. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-5: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby appoints a Special Counsel on an as-needed basis for the year 2007.
6. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-6: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby appoints a Municipal Court Judge for a three year term.
7. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-7: BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments are hereby made to the Aberdeen Township Planning Board.
8. RESOLUTION NO.2007-8: BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments are hereby made to the Aberdeen Township Zoning Board.
9. RESOLUTION NO.2007-9: BE IT RESOLVED that the Courier and Asbury Park Press are hereby designated as the official newspapers of the Township of Aberdeen for the year 2007.
10. RESOLUTION NO.2007-10: BE IT RESOLVED that the following procedures for compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act are hereby adopted.
11. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-11: BE IT RESOLVED that the schedule of Council meetings for the year 2007 is hereby established.
12. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-12: BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is designated as the person who shall make official certificates of searches for municipal improvements.
13. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-13: BE IT RESOLVED that depositories, accounts custodian and authorized signatures are hereby designated for Township accounts.
14. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-14: BE IT RESOLVED that official depositories are hereby designated by this Rider.
15. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-15: BE IT RESOLVED that Columbia Savings Bank is designated as the depository for funds of the Municipal Court, and authorized signatures are hereby designated.
16. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-16: BE IT RESOLVED that the interest rate for delinquent taxes, assessments, municipal charges and water and sewer rents is hereby established.
17. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-17: BE IT RESOLVED that a fee of \$25 will be charged for each Redemption Certificate and a fee of \$100 will be charged for each duplicate Tax Sale Certificate.
18. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-18: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby permits the cancellation of property tax refunds or delinquent amounts when said amounts are \$10.00 or less.
19. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-19: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby authorizes a service

- charge of \$20.00 for insufficient funds fees.
20. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-20: BE IT RESOLVED that Stuart Brown is designated as the Monmouth County Community Development Representative for Aberdeen Township and Angela Morin is designated as Alternate for the year 2007.
  21. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-21: BE IT RESOLVED that recreation fees be fixed for the Township of Aberdeen recreation programs.
  22. RESOLUITON NO. 2007-22: BE IT RESOLVED that Holly Reycraft is hereby appointed as Township of Aberdeen Tax Assessor.
  23. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-23: BE IT RESOLVED that Maxine Rescorl is hereby appointed Deputy Municipal Clerk for the calendar year 2007.
  24. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-24: BE IT RESOLVED that Stuart Brown is authorized to execute all sewer and water utility state permit applications.
  25. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-25: BE IT RESOLVED that it hereby authorizes the Cash Management Plan for 2007.
  26. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-26: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council hereby approves the 2007 Temporary Budget.

#### **OATHS OF OFFICE**

Mayor Sobel and Deputy Mayor Gumbs administered the Oaths of Office to the following:

Scott J. Basen, Esq. - Township of Aberdeen Municipal Court Judge  
Holly Reycraft – Township of Aberdeen Tax Assessor  
Raymond W. Campbell – Township of Aberdeen Police Officer  
Brandon Brzezniak – Township of Aberdeen Police Officer

There was a round of applause for all.

#### **HEARING OF THE CITIZENS/CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS:**

Mayor Sobel asked any member of the public wishing to be heard to come forward and to state their name and address. There being no member of the public wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel declared the Hearing of the Citizens closed.

Councilman Raymond made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Vinci and unanimously concurred by Council.

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David G. Sobel, Mayor

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Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk