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A Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held May 7, 2012 and was called to order by Mayor John M. Krenzel at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Criminal Justice Building at 61 Main Street in South River, New Jersey with the following Council members in attendance:

Council members Farren, Guindi, Hutchison, Roselli, Trzeciak, Vaughn

Also attending this meeting were Andrew J. Salerno, Borough Administrator, and Gary M. Schwartz, Esq., Borough Attorney.

Opening Remarks, John M. Krenzel, Mayor

Mayor Krenzel stated that we are here to appoint a new Police Chief. He outlined Mr. Tinitigan's background and experience. He stated that given his background, educational experience and record, Mr. Tinitigan will be an asset to the South River Police Department, and this is why he is his nomination to the position.

Mayor Krenzel stated that before appointing him as Chief, it is time to say goodbye to former Chief John Bouthillette. Chief Bouthillette has served this town for many years with distinction. He has served South River honorably and we are grateful that he is here with us.

Retirement Badge Presentation

Acting Chief Tinitigan presented Chief Bouthillette with a retirement badge on behalf of a grateful Borough. He personally thanked him for his 26 years of services and commended him on all of his accomplishments.

Chief Bouthillette thanked his family and friends for their support over the years. He stated that he will always be a South River cop. This evening is not about him, it is about appointing Mark Tinitigan as Police Chief.

Resolution Appointing Chief of Police – Mark E. Tinitigan

The Clerk read the Resolution appointing Mark E. Tinitigan as Police Chief into the record.

RES: 2012-164

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Mark E. Tinitigan was sworn in as a Police Officer in the Borough of South River on March 17, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Mark E. Tinitigan, while serving as a member of the Borough of South River Police Department consecutively for the past fifteen (15) years was promoted through the rank to Sergeant, and Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Mark E. Tinitigan was named Acting Chief of Police in the Borough of South River on December 27, 2011; and

WHEREAS, because of his hard work, dedication and commitment to the residents of the Borough of South River, Mark E. Tinitigan has been chosen to be Police Chief in the Borough of South River.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Mark Erich Tinitigan as South River's Chief of Police.

Dated: May 7, 2012

/s/ John M. Krenzel
Mayor

/s/ John Trzeciak
Councilmember

/s/ Peter Guindi
Councilmember

ROLL CALL VOTE

YEAS: Farren, Guindi, Roselli, Trzeciak, Vaughn, Hutchison
NAYS: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Roselli

- Thanked Chief Bouthillette for his years of service.
- Congratulated Chief Tinitigan on his appointment; confident that Chief Tinitigan will do a good job

Councilman Guindi

- Commended Chief Bouthillette on his accomplishments
- Congratulated Chief Tinitigan and knows he will do a good job

Councilman Vaughn

- Commended Chief Bouthillette on his work with the Police Department
- Congratulated Chief Tinitigan and knows he will do a great job

Councilman Trzeciak

- Thanked Chief Bouthillette for his service to the Borough.
- Congratulated Chief Tinitigan; will do a good job

Councilwoman Farren

- Thanked Chief Bouthillette for his work; put in place a great team; will be missed
- Congratulated Chief Tinitigan; will be an honor to work with him

Councilman Hutchison

- Commended Chief Bouthillette on his 26 years of service; has been an honor working with him
- Congratulated Chief Tinitigan; looks forward to working with him

Mayor Krenzel

- Thank you to Chief Bouthillette
- Welcome and congratulations to Chief Tinitigan

Mayor Krenzel administered the Oath of Office to Mark E. Tinitigan, Chief of Police.

Remarks by Chief Mark E. Tinitigan

“I just want to say thank you to my family, friends, fellow Chiefs from Middlesex County and my new found friends from the FBI National Academy for being here this evening. This is a very important time in my career and I am thrilled that you are all here to share in this moment with me.

It truly is an honor and a privilege to be standing here as the Chief. It was an honor to become a South River Police Officer, 16 years ago and I never thought that this bouncer would ever become the 10th Police Chief in the history of this department.

To the men and women of my Department, I just want you to know that my heart and soul is with our agency so it is very special to me to be standing before you. But this isn't about me this is about US, working together to achieve goals both individual and as a department for the better of our town. I am taking over, in my eyes, one of the very best police departments and that is a credit to each and every one of you. We have an incredible group of people working for the dept, both sworn and civilian and I just want each one of you to know that you are the most valuable resource of this department and I look forward to leading you.

To the citizens of the Borough, I just want you to know that the partnership and bond that we have created with you is important to me and will remain so as long as I am Chief. I have grown to love this community and its citizens and truly enjoy the community policing aspects of my job.

To close this out, I would like to thank Mayor Krenzel and the Borough Council for their support and their confidence in me to lead this fine group of men and women.

I would also like to thank retired Chief John Bouthillette for his guidance and friendship. John has been so instrumental in my career from the moment I became a Police Officer. He was my Sgt. In the DB, my Lt., my DC, my Chief, my mentor but most of all, he is my friend. He has done so many great things for not only this department, but the community as well, and I know that I have some pretty big shoes to fill.

Lastly, I would like to thank my wife and two beautiful children for being so patient with me. The joke between my wife and some of her friends is that they always thought that she was a single mom because I was never around. I was either at work, studying or away at the National Academy but I want the 3 of you to know that I love you.

Again, I just want to thank everyone for coming. “

Benediction

Father Dave Garretson gave Benediction.

Adjournment

Councilman Roselli moved that this meeting be adjourned at 6:30 p.m.
Councilman Guindi seconded the motion. So carried.

Respectfully submitted on
May 25, 2012.

Patricia O'Connor, RMC
Borough Clerk

Approved at the regular meeting
held on May 29, 2012