

A meeting of the Executive Board of the TCTANJ was held on Thursday, January 11, 2024 at the Clarion Hotel & Conference Center, Toms River. President Effie Pressley called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. Eugenia Poulos did the flag salute and invocation. Sonia Schulman did a roll call and a quorum check, and we had enough votes for a quorum.

<b>Executive Board:</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>	<b>Voting Member</b>
President	Effie Pressley	P	Y
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Paul Lesniak	P	Y
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Maureen Cosgrove	P	Y
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Elizabeth Villano	P	Y
Treasurer	Chris Assenheimer	P	Y
Assistant Treasurer	Jodi DeMaio	P	Y
Corresponding Secretary	Louis Palazzo	P	Y
Recording Secretary	Sonia Schulman	P	Y
Sergeant-at Arms	Paula Ferreira	A	Y
Chaplain/Good & Welfare	Eugenia Poulos	P	Y
Legal Counsel	Keith Bonchi	P	Y
Consultant	Vincent Belluscio	P	N
Membership Services Director	Rita Carr	P	N
Interim Executive Director	Margaret Saharic	P	N

<b>Regional Representatives:</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>	<b>Voting Member</b>
Regional Rep – Region #1	Trisha Greco	P	Y
Regional Rep – Region #2	Terrance Whelan	A	Y
Regional Rep – Region #3	Constance Ludden	P	Y
Regional Rep – Region #4	Andrea Gaskill	P	Y
Regional Rep – Region #5	Mark Godfrey	P	Y
Regional Rep – Region #6	Renee DeSalvo	P	Y

<b>County Presidents</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>	<b>Voting Member</b>
County President – Atlantic	Jessica Snyder	A	Y
County President – Bergen	Conchita Parker	A	Y
County President – Burlington	Julia Edmondson	A	Y
County President – Camden, Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem	William Pine	A	Y
County President – Cape May	Eleanor Cifaloglio	A	Y
County President – Hudson, Essex, Union, Passaic	Annmarie Corbitt- <b>Stacey Carron</b>	P	Y
County President – Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon, Mercer	Abe Conesa	P	Y
County President – Monmouth/Ocean	Colleen Lapp	P	Y
County President – Morris	Mary Ann Murphy	A	Y
County President – Sussex/Warren	Christine M. Rolef	A	Y

<b>Past Presidents:</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>	<b>Voting Member</b>
2022 -2021	Carl Dileo	P	Y
2019-2020	Linda Canavan	P	Y
2017-2018	Michele Adams	A	N
2015-2016	Kammie Verdolina	P	Y
2013-2014	Jo Anne Lambusta	A	N
2011-2012	Mary L. Testori	P	N
2010-2011	Ron Zilinski	A	N
2006-2007	Randy Bahr	A	N
2005	Adeline Schmidt	A	N
2001	Gerald Vitarello	A	N
1998	Josephine Prisco	A	N

<b><u>Liaisons:</u></b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>	<b>Voting Member</b>
Division of Local Gov. Services	Fran Iliadis	P	N
Associate Business Members	Stacy Hunt	A	N
Center for Gov. Services	Pam Morley- Chappelle	A	N

GFOA	John Antonides	A	N
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Atlantic City Conference	Eugenia Poulos/Angel Albanese	P	
Newsletter	Paula Ferreira	P	
PERS	John Antonides	A	
Saul Wittes Seminar	Constance Ludden /Abe Conesa	p	

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** Amendment to the minutes correcting president of ABM of Stacy Hunt of Munipay. The minutes from the December 7, 2023 meeting was approved on a motion from Carl Dileo, seconded by Maureen Cosgrove.

**Treasurer’s Report – Chris Assenheimer:** Treasurer’s report was accepted as presented on a motion by Louis Palazzo, seconded by Maureen Cosgrove.

**Budget: Louis Palazzo –** The draft audit was signed by Vincent Belluscio and sent to the auditor. Lou stated he was awaiting a few 2023 expenditures and will review the budget for 2024 and will present his findings at the March meeting. Motion was made to continue to pay bills by Eugenia Poulos and seconded by Ableardo Conesa.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Paul Lesniak**

**Correspondence: - Louis Palazzo –** No Correspondence

**League Affiliate:** No report

**Legislative – Chris Assenheimer-** Legislative report will be emailed. The President, Effie Pressley, stated a Legislative Team has been established for Chair, Chris Assenheimer. Mary Testori volunteered to mentor the team. Effie also stated if you were one of the successful candidates chosen, you would be contacted soon for the details of the meetings and responsibilities.

**Resolution/By-laws – Carl Dileo –** Sending an amendment for the Electronic Voting by membership to Vincent Belluscio to add to website.

**Technical Review – Carl Dileo –** No report

**Spring Conference – Margaret Saharic-** Most of the sessions have been scheduled and waiting on the Director of the DLGS to respond. Committee is meeting next week to finish schedule and work on obtaining the credits. **Paul Lesniak** discussed changing to self-scanners to use what the League of Municipalities uses to record their members at their seminars.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Maureen Cosgrove**

**Atlantic City Conference – Eugenia Poulos** – Thanked Jodi DeMaio and her new co-chair, Angel. They are having a meeting in the spring with the League. She also asked for assistance and recommendations for speakers.

**ABM** – Constance Ludden – letters going out this week and she also stated she was looking forward to the new leadership with Stacy Hunt.

**Newsletter/Public Relations – Paula Ferreira** – Effie stated Chris Assenheimer did a good job with the Criterion Newsletter, he stayed within budget. Effie also stated that anyone who wished to submit an article must send it to both Paula and Chris on or before the deadline of March 1.

**PERS – John Antonides** – No report

**Scholarship – Maureen Cosgrove** – Rita emailed applications and currently have \$10,773.

**Archives, Records Management – Maureen Cosgrove** – No report – Just discussed the need to get rid of the black boxes used for storage.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President- Liz Villano**

**Calendar/Meetings/Facilities – Louis Palazzo** – No report – except the correction of the January meeting should state 1-11-24. The next meeting will be January 12, 2024 with lunch first and then the meeting. The meeting will be in person and in Zoom.

**Good & Welfare – Eugenia Poulos** – Mary Testori is recovering from knee surgery. On behalf of the organization, she wished her a speedy recovery. Two retirement plaques were requested for Amy Atkins and Susan Powers.

**Northeast Regional TCTA – Mary Testori** – The NERTCTA will be hosting a webinar in the middle of February. The NERTCTA 2024 conference will be held September 15-18 at the Public House Historic Inn and Lodge in Sturbridge, Massachusetts.

**CEU Chair – Vincent Belluscio** – Only activity is for the Atlantic City Conference

**Saul Wittes Seminar – Constance Ludden** – did not receive written report

**GFOA – John Antonides** – No report

**County President's Reports**

**Atlantic** – Renee DeSalvo- had a Christmas meeting and collected toys for Toys for Tots and the next meeting would be on March 27, 2024. Fran Iliadis will be the speaker.

**Bergen** – Linda Canavan – Meeting to be held on January 12 and in March.

**Burlington** – No report

**Camden/Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem** –Mark Godfrey – They will be having a reorganization meeting next week and their first meeting of the year will be in March.

**Essex/Hudson/Passaic/Union – Stacey Carron** – Meeting January 31<sup>st</sup> to set up meetings for the year. The first meeting will be in March.

**Middlesex/Somerset/Hunterdon/Mercer** – Abe Conesa

**Monmouth/Ocean – Colleen Lapp** – Meeting next Thursday and their first meeting scheduled for March 8, 2024.

**Morris** – No report.

**Sussex/Warren** – No report.

**Cape May County** – Meeting was on December 7.

**President's Report - Effie Pressley** – Discussed that the nominations for 2025 should commence. The President asked Carl Dileo and Linda Canavan to move forward along with the County Presidents and establish the nominating committee so they could report back to the Board at the March meeting for approval. Carl will be contacting inform the Board and County Presidents once a slate has been established. Effie asked Rita to forward the current list of County Presidents to Carl.

**Executive Director's Report – Margaret Saharic** -No report - stated will be working with Louis Palazzo about obtaining a credit card.

**Counsel's Report – Keith Bonchi**- Tyler bill to be introduced shortly. Stated that premium payments went down throughout the state after the Supreme Court decision. No municipality or third –party lien holder has been able to get Final Judgment since May 2023. Due to Tyler, Municipalities have to personally serve any foreclosures. This is very costly. The longer this continues, the more likely that lawsuits will be filed by lienholders. On December 2, 2023, the Appellate Division stated that Tyler applies to New Jersey; they also said that it was not retroactive. Four major title companies/insurance carriers are refusing to insure foreclosed properties. Also stated, that there are competing bills in the legislature. Sheriff sales, internet sales, no premiums and double bids go to a lottery, like in Florida are some examples. Municipalities are not able to stabilize their tax base if they cannot foreclose on properties.

**Membership Services Director – Rita Carr** - Membership applications were sent out. So far, we have received 22 payments for \$2,000. We only need \$78,000 more. Please send pictures of your municipality for Spring Conference to highlight your town.

**Division of Local Government Services** – No report

**Rutgers's Report – Pam Morley-Chappelle** – No report

**Old Business** – none

**New Business** – contract votes – professionals asked to leave room/ turn off zoom for the vote.

No Comments before votes

**Consultant Contract – 19 yes – 0 no**

**Webmaster Contract – 17 yes – 1 no**

**Interim Executive Director Contract- 21 yes – 0 no**

**TCTA Legal Counsel Contract- 16 yes - 0 no**

**Membership Services Contract- 19 yes – 0 no**

**Legislative & Mentoring Services- 19 yes – 0 no**

**Meeting adjourned at 2:10 P.M.**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Sonia Schulman**