

COUNCIL MEETING

January 2, 2018

Attendees: Beverly Wolfe, Council President; Barbara Heffelfinger, Vice President; Rich Flanagan, John Stratz, Louise Dicken, Laura Germain, Borough Council; Bob Winkler, Mayor; and Ben Hauser for Solicitor Dave Truelove.

Mayor Bob Winkler was sworn in at 7:15 p.m. by Judge Daniel Baronosky.

Mayor Winkler swore in newly elected officials, Louise Dicken, Laura Germain, John Stratz, Beverly Wolfe, Donna Caracappa, and Carla Winkler.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bob Winkler at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor took a nomination for President of Council. Rich Flanagan nominated Beverly Wolfe. Seconded by John Stratz. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan yes, Kali Sodano no, Louise Dicken yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. Motion carried 6 ayes, 1 no.

Motion by John Stratz to appoint Barbara Heffelfinger Vice President. Seconded by Louise Dicken. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan yes, Kali Sodano no, Louise Dicken yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. Motion carried 6 ayes, 1 no.

Motion by Louise Dicken to appoint Kali Sodano as President Pro Tem. Seconded by Laura Germain. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan yes, Kali Sodano yes, Louise Dicken yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO APPOINT MARIE SEROTA AS BOROUGH COUNCIL SECRETARY. SECONDED BY LOUISE DICKEN. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan yes, Kali Sodano yes, Louise Dicken yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY JOHN STRATZ TO APPOINT BARBARA HEFFELFINGER AS ASSISTANT BOROUGH SECRETARY. SECONDED BY KALI SODANO. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan yes, Kali Sodano yes, Louise Dicken yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO APPOINT DAVE TRUELOVE WITH HILL WALLACK LLP AS BOROUGH SOLICITOR. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan no, Kali Sodano no, Louise Dicken yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. Motion carried 5 ayes, 2 nos.

MOTION BY LOUISE DICKEN TO APPOINT VALUE ENGINEERING AS BOROUGH ENGINEER. SECONDED BY LAURA GERMAIN. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan no, Kali Sodano no, Louise Dicken yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. Motion carried 5 ayes, 2 nos.

Kali Sodano requested rates and information on both of the professionals, solicitor and engineer, before the motions were made because she and Councilman Rich Flanagan did not have it.

MOTION BY KALI SODANO TO APPOINT FRED EBERT OF EBERT ENGINEERING AS SEWER ENGINEER. SECONDED BY RICH FLANAGAN. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan yes, Kali Sodano yes, Louise Dicken no, Beverly Wolfe no, Barbara Heffelfinger no, Laura Germain no, John Stratz no. Motion failed 5 ayes, 2 nos.

MOTION BY LAURA GERMAIN TO APPOINT VALUE ENGINEERING. SECONDED BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER. The roll call vote was: Rich Flanagan no, Kali Sodano no, Louise Dicken yes, Beverly Wolfe yes, Barbara Heffelfinger yes, Laura Germain yes, John Stratz yes. Motion carried 5 ayes, 2 nos.

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO APPOINT BEE BERGVALL AS CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT. SECONDED BY LAURA GERMAIN. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY LOUISE DICKEN TO APPOINT BROWN & BROWN OF LEHIGH VALLEY AS INSURANCE BROKER. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO APPOINT ARLENE HARMS TO THE VACANCY BOARD. SECONDED BY LOUISE DICKEN. The vote was 5 ayes, 2 nos (Kali Sodano and Rich Flanagan). Motion carried.

Beverly Wolfe tabled assignments to special boards and committees until the January 16th work session.

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO APPOINT PENNONI ASSOCIATES AS BOROUGH PLANNER. SECONDED BY LAURA GERMAIN. The vote was 5 ayes, 2 nos (Kali Sodano and Rich Flanagan). Motion carried.

MOTION BY RICH FLANAGAN TO APPOINT FRED ITALIA AS ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. SECONDED BY KALI SODANO. Laura Germain asked what his rates were.

MOTION BY LAURA GERMAIN TO TABLE THE MOTION TO APPOINT FRED ITALIA AS ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER UNTIL FURTHER INFORMATION IS RECEIVED. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO APPOINT MARIE SEROTA AS OPEN RECORDS OFFICER. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. All ayes, carried.

Public Comment (specific to agenda items)

Mike Sodano, 324 W. Woodland Avenue, would like to see solicitor's rates

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS:

- a. Approval of Minutes: December 4, 2017 Council Meeting
- b. Approval of Minutes: December 6, 2017 Budget Work Session
- c. Approval of Minutes: December 18, 2017 Work Session
- d. Approval of Minutes: December 28, 2017 Special Meeting

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| e. Reading and approval of Bills | |
| General Fund | \$23,271.12 |
| Fire Tax Fund | \$ 127.60 |
| Refuse Fund | \$14,735.99 |
| Sewer Fund | \$29,804.41 |
| Liquid Fuel Fund | \$ 2,013.31 |
| Capital Reserve Fund | \$ 922.35 |
| Escrow | \$ 352.50 |

Payroll

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| General Fund | \$27,298.60 |
| Sewer Fund | \$ 2,744.36 |
| Refuse Fund | <u>\$ 591.09</u> |
| Total | \$30,634.05 |

Escrow Bills:

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| Verrichia: | |
| Eastburn & Gray PC | \$ 175.00 |
| Gilmore & Associates, Inc. | \$ 27.50 |
| Mill Creek 2: | |
| Gilmore & Associates, Inc. | \$ 150.00 |

SECONDED BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER. The vote was 5 ayes, 2 abstentions (Louise Dicken and Laura Germain) Motion carried.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Winkler read his report, which is attached.

Police Department Report – Officer in Charge, Sean Perry read the report, which is on file in the secretary's office.

Code Enforcement Report – Mayor Winkler read the report, which is on file in the secretary's office.

Unfinished Business

Kali Sodano suggested making the board and commission appointments tonight instead of waiting until the work session on January 16th.

MOTION BY KALI SODANO TO REAPPOINT GEORGE KRUSHAUSKAS TO THE ZONING HEARING BOARD. SECONDED BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER. All ayes, carried.

MOITON BY RICH FLANAGAN TO REAPPOINT GARY NICKERSON TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION. SECONDED BY BARBARA Heffelfinger. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY KALI SODANO TO REAPPOINT BARBARA MAY TO THE RECREATION BOARD. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY RICH FLANAGAN TO REAPPOINT MIKE SODANO TO THE FINANCE AND LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE. SECONDED BY KALI SODANO. The vote was 6 ayes, 1 no (Barbara Heffelfinger). Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mike Sodano, 324 W. Woodland Avenue, street light repair needed at Woodland and Fairview Avenues

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:05 P.M.
SECONDED BY RICH FLANAGAN. All ayes, carried.

Submitted by: _____
Marie Serota, Secretary/Treasurer