

LAWRENCE PARK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

6:00 p.m.

January 2, 2024 (Reorganizational)

4230 Iroquois Avenue

In Attendance: Commissioner B. Rodemaker, Commissioner T. Buchleitner, Commissioner J. Golden, Commissioner T. Benovic, Commissioner D. Williams, Solicitor A. Martinucci, Police Chief J. Morell, Secretary C. Cunningham

~Commissioner Benovic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was performed. ~

Solicitor A. Martinucci administered the oath of office to Joe Golden, and Tom Buchleitner.

The Board Appointed Dale Williams to the vacant position on the board, Solicitor A. Martinucci administered the oath of office to Dale Williams.

- Commissioner T. Benovic asked for nominations for President of the Board. Commissioner T. Buchleitner nominated Commissioner B. Rodemaker, Commissioner D. Williams seconded the motion, second request for nominations-Commissioner Benovic nominated Joe Golden there was no second. With the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Benovic; “ney”; Commissioner Golden; “abstain”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Buchleitner “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker, “abstain”. With 2 in favor, and one opposed, Commissioner Rodemaker is President.
- Commissioner Rodemaker asked for nominations for Vice President of the Board. Commissioner Rodemaker nominated Commissioner Buchleitner, Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, second request for nominations-there was no second. With the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Golden; “abstain”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Buchleitner “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker, “abstain”. With 3 in favor, and two “abstained”, Commissioner Buchleitner is Vice President.

~Executive Session 6:05

~The Board re-convened at 6:12

Assignment of Departments:

Administration/Police/Fire – Commissioner Tom Buchleitner

Sewers – Commissioner Barry Rodemaker

Parks/Recreation– Commissioner Tammy Benovic

Streets/Sanitation – Commissioner Dale Williams

Buildings– Commissioner Joe Golden

Commissioner Buchleitner made a motion to re-appoint Joyce Spitznogle as Township Treasurer; Commissioner Benovic seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Commissioner Benovic made a motion to re-appoint Charles Clorley as Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer; Commissioner Golden seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Commissioner Buchleitner made a motion to re-appoint Charles Ramsey as EMC; Commissioner Williams seconded the motion; the motion carried

Commissioner Benovic made a motion to re-appoint Rick Garman to the Civil Service Board; Commissioner Buchleitner seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Visitors: Chris Buchleitner, Bill Dunbar, Rick Garman, Paula Cassady

Visitors signed in to speak: Bill Dunbar

Bill Dunbar asked why the Community at large was not informed to not vote for Sarah Trojak since she had resigned as Commissioner. The Board explained that they cannot make someone take their name off of the ballot. Secretary Cunningham explained that she had resigned as Commissioner for the remainder of 2023 and that Trojak had informed the Elections board too late to take her name off the ballot but had she changed her mind she had the opportunity to serve as a Commissioner for 2024-2027 period but Trojak informed the elections board that she declined the position, therefore leaving an empty seat on the Board.

Reports: N/A

Bills:

Commissioner J. Golden made a motion to pay bills as presented, Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Minutes:

Commissioner Golden made a motion to approve BOC Minutes from December 13, 2023, Commissioner Williams seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to approve BOC Minutes from December 27, 2023, Commissioner Benovic seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Old Business:

~ Commissioner Benovic thanked the Holiday Committee on December 23rd for Santa at the Gazebo. It was a great event and she is thankful for the volunteers.

New Business:

Commissioner Delegate Appointments:

- A. CZM – Delegate-Commissioner Benovic/Alternate – Commissioner Williams
- B. EACOG – Delegate – Commissioner Buchleitner/Alternates-Commissioner Golden & Cindy Jo Cunningham
- C. ECATO – Delegate –Commissioner Rodemaker/ Alternate- Cindy Jo Cunningham
- D. Erie County Planning – Delegate –Commissioner Buchleitner/Alternate Commissioner Williams
- E. East Erie Communications – Delegate- Commissioner Buchleitner/Alternate –Commissioner Rodemaker & Commissioner Williams
- F. Erie MPO – Delegate-Commissioner Williams/Alternate – Commissioner Benovic & Commissioner Rodemaker

~Commissioner Golden motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Commissioner Benovic seconded; the motion carried. ~

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Jo Cunningham
Board of Commissioner's Secretary