

BOROUGH OF CRAFTON
REORGANIZATION MEETING
Monday, January 3, 2022

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Interim Manager Sample called to order the Reorganization Meeting of the Borough of Crafton, Monday, January 3, 2022, at 6:35 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Community Center.

2. FLAG SALUTE

The Flag Salute was led by Interim Manager Sample.

3. OATH OF OFFICE

Jack Kobistek, Magisterial District Justice performed the swearing in of newly elected officials via telephone, including the newly elected Borough Mayor, Coletta Perry and newly elected Council Members, Erin Bollenbacher, Colton Chandler, Kirsten Compitello, Justin Marks, Vincent Ridilla, and John Oliverio.

Mr. Kobistek congratulated all the newly elected officials.

4. ROLL CALL

Interim Manager Sample recorded six (6) Members of Council present as follows: Ms. Bollenbacher, Mr. Chandler, Ms. Compitello, Mr. Marks, Mr. Oliverio, and Mr. Ridilla. Also present were Mayor Perry and Solicitor Malik.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizens signed up to speak regarding agenda items.

6. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Mayor Perry called for nominations for President of Council.

Mr. Chandler nominated Mr. Oliverio.

There were no other nominations.

MOTION # 1: was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Marks*) to appoint Mr. Oliverio as President of Council.

MOTION #1: carries by Unanimous Vote (6-0).

Mr. Oliverio was appointed President of Council.

VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Mayor Perry called for nominations for Vice President of Council.

Mr. Marks nominated Ms. Compitello.

There were no other nominations.

MOTION # 2: was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Marks*) to appoint Ms. Compitello as Vice President of Council.

MOTION #2: carries by Unanimous Vote (6-0).

Ms. Compitello was appointed Vice President of Council.

Mayor Perry turned the meeting over to Mr. Oliverio, President of Council.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM

Mr. Oliverio called for nominations for President Pro-Tem.

Ms. Bollenbacher nominated Mr. Ridilla.

There were no other nominations.

MOTION # 3: was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Bollenbacher*) to appoint Mr. Ridilla as President Pro-Tem.

MOTION #3: carries by Unanimous Vote (6-0).

Mr. Ridilla was appointed President Pro-Tem.

VACANCY BOARD CHAIR

Mr. Oliverio called for nominations for Vacancy Board Chair.

Mr. Marks nominated Emily Babyak.

There were no other nominations.

MOTION # 4: was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Compitello*) to appoint Emily Babyak as Vacancy Board Chair.

MOTION #4: carries by Unanimous Vote (6-0).

Ms. Babyak was appointed as Vacancy Board Chair.

7. MEETING SCHEDULE

MOTION #5: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Compitello*) to designate Crafton Borough Municipal Building, Council Chambers of the Community Center, 140 Bradford Avenue, as the location of the Monthly Borough Meetings and establishing the time of each meeting for the second and fourth Thursdays of each month convening at 7:15 pm.

MOTION #5 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

8. APPOINTMENTS

MOTION #6: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Ridilla*) to appoint Babst, Calland as the Borough Solicitor.

MOTION #6 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #7: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Marks*) to appoint Gateway Engineers as the Borough Engineer.

MOTION #7 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #8: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Marks*) to appoint Doug Sample as the Interim Borough Manager.

MOTION #8 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #9: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Compitello*) to approve PNC Bank and Huntington Bank as the Official Depository Bank for all Borough accounts.

MOTION #9 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #10: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Bollenbacher*) to appoint the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as the Official Paper.

MOTION #10 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #11: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Marks*) to appoint the Crafton Volunteer Fire Department as the Borough Fire Department.

MOTION #11 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #12: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Compitello*) to approve of Michael J. Crown as the Fire Chief for the Borough of Crafton.

MOTION #12 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #13: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Bollenbacher*) to appoint Mark Sumpter as the Emergency Management Coordinator.

MOTION #13 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #14: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Compitello*) to appoint DJ Glancy as the as Borough Fire Marshal and Andrew Beardmore and Dave Morgan as the Assistant Borough Fire Marshals.

MOTION #14 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #15: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Ridilla*) to appoint Annette Lherbier as the Borough Treasurer for the Borough of Crafton.

MOTION #15 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

9. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #16: It was moved and seconded (*Marks/Chandler*) to ratify the Bill List dated December 31, 2021, as presented.

Mayor Perry noted that the invoice for the City of Pittsburgh should be held pending further discussion as the invoice encompasses work completed beginning in 2016.

MOTION #16 AMENDED: It was moved and seconded (*Marks/Chandler*) to ratify the Bill List dated December 31, 2021, as presented, excluding the payment to the City of Pittsburgh.

MOTION #16 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #17: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Bollenbacher*) to ratify the approval of 2020/2021 Real Estate and Road Tax Refunds in the amount of \$511.59 as presented and submitted by Jordan Tax Service, Inc.

MOTION #17 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

MOTION #18: It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Bollenbacher*) to ratify the approval of 2021 Sewer Deduct Meter Refunds in the amount of \$5,727.16.

MOTION #18 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

10. ADDITIONAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

Marsha Damits, 44 N. Linwood Avenue, inquired about the status of the Senior Dinners for the 2022 Budget Year.

Interim Manager Sample noted that funds were budgeted for 2022 to hold Senior Diners.

Ms. Perry stated that it is still under discussion by the Recreation Board due to concerns of the COVID pandemic.

COUNCIL VACANCY

Mr. Oliverio announced that Council will be accepting Letters of Interest to fill the current vacancy created by Mayor Perry's resignation. He stated that applications and resumes will be accepted, beginning immediately, by the Interim Manager until January 17, 2022. Mr. Oliverio stated that applications will be shared and reviewed by the Borough Council. He added that Council will hold interviews at the January 27, 2022, meeting where each candidate will have five minutes to make a presentation and noted that Council may ask questions at that time. Mr. Oliverio noted that a candidate may be appointed as soon as the January 27, 2022, meeting.

Interim Manager Sample stated that the information will be made available on the Borough's website.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Oliverio adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carissima Kerns, Borough Secretary