

**BOROUGH OF BROWNSVILLE
FAYETTE COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA
January 3, 2022**

The Reorganization meeting of the Council of the Borough of Brownsville was held this evening, Monday, January 3, 2022 at the Borough Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ross H. Swords, Jr. at 4:30 p.m. by reciting the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present: Mayor Ross H. Swords, Jr., Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, Paul Synuria, Michael Walters, Kasandra Ward, Barbara Pepper, and Beth Bock. Jackie Jackson joined the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Motion by Paul Synuria to nominate Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich for President, second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Michael Walters to nominate Paul Synuria for Vice President, second by Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, no; Barbara Pepper, abstain; Roll call vote was 4 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain. Motion carries.

After nominations for President and Vice President, Mayor Ross H. Swords, Jr. handed the meeting over to Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich.

Motion by Beth Bock to appoint Barbara Pepper as the pro tem, second by Jackie Jackson. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Barbara Pepper to follow Robert's Rules of Order, second by Jackie Jackson. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Beth Bock to appoint Mitch Mitchell for Solicitor, second by Michael Walters. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Jackie Jackson to appoint McMillen Engineering as our engineering firm, second by Paul Synuria. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Beth Bock to retain First National Bank and PLIGT as our banking institutions, second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries. Paul Synuria asked if the banking institutions were satisfactory to our needs, to which Melissa S. O'Brien responded in the affirmative.

Motion by Beth Bock to name Brownsville Ambulance as our primary ambulance, second by Michael Walters. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Barbara Pepper to retain all employees at their rates set by the budget, second by Jackie Jackson. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Paul Synuria to approve mutual aid for street, fire, and police departments, second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael

Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Jackie Jackson designating regular meetings on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. either at the Sons of Italy or the Borough Building (depending upon COVID numbers), second by Beth Bock. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Jackie Jackson designating committee meetings to be held one week prior to the regular council meeting, second by Beth Bock. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, abstain; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Beth Bock to appoint Michael Walters as a representative to the Southwest Regional Tax Bureau, second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Beth Bock to appoint Mayor Ross H. Swords, Jr. as an alternate representative to the Southwest Regional Tax Bureau, second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Beth Bock to appoint Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich as a representative to the Tri County Borough Association (incorrectly noted as the Fayette County Tax Collection Committee), second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Beth Bock to appoint Michael Walters as an alternate representative to the Tri County Borough Association (incorrectly noted as the Fayette County Tax Collection Committee), second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, yes; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

Motion by Jackie Jackson to reappoint Jordan Sealy to head the Vacancy Board, second by Barbara Pepper. Roll call vote: Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich, yes; Paul Synuria, yes; Michael Walters, yes; Kasandra Ward, abstain; Beth Bock, yes; Barbara Pepper, yes; Jackie Jackson, yes. Roll call vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

COMMITTEES

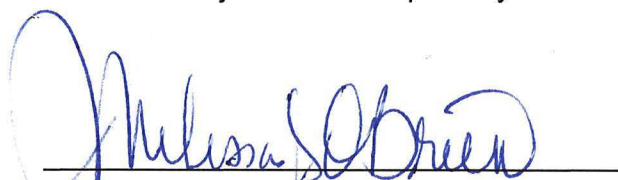
Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich appoints the following: Michael Walters, Chairman of Finance & Buildings and Grounds Committees; Jackie Jackson, Chairman of Recreation Committee; Paul Synuria, Chairman of Public Works Committee; Kasandra Ward, Chairman of Code Enforcement & Public Safety Committees; Barbara Pepper, Chairman of Community Development Committee; and Beth Bock, Chairman of Community Affairs Committee.

Tracy Sheehan Zivkovich has asked each Chairperson to come back to her by Friday, January 7, 2022 with two others councilmembers and a goal they would like to accomplish in the first six months of the year. Please use the Borough office for help, as well as our Solicitor, Mitch Mitchell, the PSAB website, and the Borough Code Book. All members are available to ask for help.

Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at the Sons of Italy at 6:00 p.m. Lester Ward corrected the above to show that our appointment to the Fayette County Tax Collection Committee should actually be an appointment to the Tri County Borough Association.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 4:56 p.m. by Beth Bock. Second by Jackie Jackson.


Melissa S. O'Brien, Secretary/Treasurer

