

**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC MEETING
REORGANIZATION
JANUARY 7, 2019**

ANNUAL ORGANIZATION MEETING

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Strouse called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Roll Call

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Tosti called roll. All Supervisors were in attendance, along with Township Manager Stephanie Teoli Kuhls, Solicitor James Esposito, Engineer Isaac Kessler, department directors and interested citizens.

3. Swearing in of Officer Samantha Weed

Chief of Police Joseph Bartorilla read a short biography of newly hired Officer Samantha Weed. Ms. Strouse swore Officer Weed in as the newest Middletown Township police officer.

4. Organization of the Board of Supervisors:

a) Election of Chairperson

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT TOM TOSTI AS CHAIRPERSON, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE 5-0.

b) Election of Vice-Chairperson

ACTION: MR. TOSTI MOVED TO APPOINT MR. KSIAZEK AS VICE CHAIRPERSON, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

c) Election of Secretary

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT MS. STROUSE AS SECRETARY, SECONDED BY MR. TOSTI.

ACTION: MR. OETTINGER MOVED TO APPOINT MR. LEONHAUSER AS SECRETARY, MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 3-2 WITH MR. OETTINGER AND MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

5. Consideration of appointing Curtin & Heefner as Township Solicitor

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT CURTIN & HEEFNER AS TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-1 WITH MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

6. Consideration of appointing Sean Kilkenny as Township General Labor Solicitor

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO APPOINT SEAN KILKENNY AS TOWNSHIP GENERAL LABOR SOLICITOR, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-1 WITH MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

7. Consideration of appointing Eckert Seamens as the Township Collective Bargaining Labor Solicitor

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT ECKERT SEAMENS AS THE TOWNSHIP COLLECTIVE BARGAINING LABOR SOLICITOR, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

8. Consideration of appointing David Trulove of Hill Wallack as Township Conflict Attorney

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO APPOINT DAVID TRULOVE OF HILL WALLACK AS TOWNSHIP CONFLICT ATTORNEY, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

9. Consideration of appointing Remington & Vernick Engineers as Township Engineer

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT REMINGTON & VERNICK AS TOWNSHIP ENGINEER, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 3-2 WITH MR. OETTINGER AND MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

10. Consideration of appointing Phil Wursta of Traffic Planning & Design as Township Traffic Engineer

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO APPOINT PHIL WURSTA OF TRAFFIC PLANNING & DESIGN AS TOWNSHIP TRAFFIC ENGINEER, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

11. Consideration of appointing the Township Manager to the positions of Treasurer and Assistant Secretary and Chief Administrative Officer to Pensions

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO THE POSITIONS OF TREASURER AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO PENSIONS, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

12. Consideration of appointing the Finance Director as Assistant Treasurer

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO APPOINT THE FINANCE DIRECTOR AS ASSISTANT TREASURER, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

13. Consideration of establishing and authorizing advertisement of 2019 public meetings of the Board of Supervisors

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO ESTABLISH AND AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE 2019 PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

14. Consideration of establishing bond limits in the amount of \$1.5 Million for Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Township Manager for the faithful performance of the duties of said offices

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO ESTABLISH BOND LIMITS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.5 MILLION FOR TREASURER, ASSISTANT TREASURER, AND TOWNSHIP MANAGER FOR THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES SAID OFFICES, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

15. Consideration of appointing a Chairperson to the Vacancy Board for 2019

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT ADAM KOVITZ AS CHAIRPERSON TO THE VACANCY BOARD FOR 2019, SECONDED BY MR. TOSTI. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 3-2 WITH MR. OETTINGER AND MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

16. Consideration of authorizing the payment of January 7, 2019 Bill List in the amount of \$1,390,831.99.

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THE JANUARY 7, 2019 BILLS LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,390,831.99, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

17. Consideration of approving the Minutes of the December 3, 2018 Public Meeting of the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors.

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 3, 2018 PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

18. Consideration of making appointments to Township Boards and Commissions

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO RE-APPOINT CHRISTINE SADJIAN-PEACOCK, MARIA MILLER AND APPOINT KATE SIMPSON TO THE DISABLED PERSONS ADVISORY BOARD FOR A TO YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2020, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO RE-APPOINT STEVEN DONAHUE TO THE ENVIRON-MENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2021, SECONDED BY MR. TOSTI. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO RE-APPOINT ANDREW MCALOON TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2021, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO RE-APPOINT PETER TANTALA TO THE ENVIRON-MENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2021, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT LAUREN LAREAU TO THE ENVIRON-MENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2021, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-1 WITH MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO APPOINT BILL APPLETON TO THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2022, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MR. TOSTI MOVED TO APPOINT KRISTEN ANGERER TO THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2022, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MR. TOSTI MOVED TO APPOINT DEWEY CLARK TO THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2022, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-1 WITH MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO RE-APPOINT WILLIAM FULLER, DANIEL GIACOMELLI AND MISSY KITZMILLER TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2021, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT THOMAS PIACENTINO AND HOLLY CUNNINGHAM TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2022, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO APPOINT MICHAEL MCGUFFIN TO THE ZONING HEARING BOARD FOR A FIVE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2023, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 3-2 WITH MR. OETTINGER AND MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT ROBERTA LANEY AND HARRY ARNOLD TO THE TECHNICAL CODE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A FIVE YEAR TERM TO DECEMBER 31, 2023, SECONDED BY MS. STROUSE. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO APPOINT ADAM KOVITZ TO THE VACANCY BOARD FOR A ONE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019, SECONDED BY MR. TOSTI. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 3-2 WITH MR. OETTINGER AND MR. LEONHAUSER OPPOSED.

ACTION: MS. STROUSE MOVED TO RE-APPOINT CHRIS HAUGHY AND KRISTI ANN MORRIS TO THE CITIZENS TRAFFIC COMMISSION FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2021, SECONDED BY MR. KSIAZEK. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

19. Other Business and Announcements

Mr. Esposito advised that an Executive Session was held prior to this evening's meeting to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

Ms. Strouse thanked all those who serve on the Township Boards and Commissions.

20. Next Board of Supervisors Meeting – *Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.*

21. Public Comment on non-agenda items

None.

22. Adjournment

ACTION: MR. KSIAZEK MOVED TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT 7:20 P.M. MS. STROUSE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.