

Board of Supervisors Reorganization Meeting

January 3, 2023 | 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Ksiazek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

After the Pledge of Allegiance Ms. Quirple called roll. Supervisors Ksiazek, Payne, Quirple, Hannah, and Kane attended the meeting along with the Township Manager Stephanie Teoli Kuhls, Assistant Township Manager Nick Valla, Solicitor Andrew Griffin, and Township Engineer Isaac Kessler.

3. Organization of the Board of Supervisors:

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Quirple to appoint Anna Payne as Chairperson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Hannah, seconded by Mr. Ksiazek to elect Dawn Quirple as Vice Chairperson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Quirple, seconded by Mr. Ksiazek to elect Bernadette Hannah as Secretary. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

4. Consideration of appointing Curtin & Heefner as Township Solicitor.

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Kane, to appoint Curtin & Heefner as Township Solicitor. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

5. Consideration of appointing Paul Lang of Parlow & Lang as Township Conflict Attorney.

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Quirple, to appoint Paul Lang of Parlow & Lang as Township Conflict Attorney. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

6. Consideration of appointing David Trulove of Hill Wallack as Labor Attorney.

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Quirple to appoint David Truelove of Hill Wallack as Labor Attorney.

Ms. Kane questions the rates increasing 2-3%.

Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

7. Consideration of appointing Remington Vernick Engineers as Township Engineer.

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Quirple, to appoint Remington Vernick Engineers as Township Engineer.

Ms. Kane questioned the rates increasing 10%. Ms. Payne requested Mr. Kessler explained the proposed increase.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls note that the invoices are monitored monthly, and the Board will receive monthly reports.

Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Hannah to appoint Phil Wursta of Traffic Planning & Design as Township Traffic Engineer.

Ms. Kane questioned the 7% increase in rates.

Ms. Hannah questioned if the rates were comparable to surround municipalities.

Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Quirple, to appoint the Township Manager to the positions of Treasurer and Assistant Secretary and Chief Administrative Officer to Pensions. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

10. Consideration of appointing the Finance Director as Assistant Treasurer.

A motion was made by Ms. Quirple, seconded by Ms. Kane to appoint the Finance Director as Assistant Treasurer. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

11. Consideration of establishing and authorizing advertisement of 2023 public meetings of the Board of Supervisors.

A motion was made by Ms. Quirple, seconded by Ms. Hannah to establish, and advertise the 2023 public meeting dates of the Board of Supervisors. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

12.. 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.

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek, seconded by Ms. Quirple 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 of said offices. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

13. Consideration of appointing a Chairperson to the Vacancy Board for 2023.

A motion was made by Mr. Ksiazek seconded by Ms. Quirple, to appoint Helene Ratner as Vacancy Board Chairperson.

Motion carried on a 4-1 vote with Ms. Kane in opposition.

14. Consideration of approving the Minutes of the December 12, 2022, Public Meeting of the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors.

A motion was made by Ms. Quirple, seconded by Ms. Hannah to approve the minutes of the December 20, 202. meeting. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

15. Public Comment

Joseph Fitch, 346 Wyoming Ave, expressed concerned about the water, trespassing and maintenance issues at Delaware Park.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls noted that she will look into these issues and contact Mr. Fitch.

20. Other Business

Ms. Teoli Kuhls thanked former Chairperson Mr. Ksiazek for his great efforts over the year. She also congratulated Ms. Payne on her appointment as Chairperson.

Ms. Kane thanked Mr. Ksiazek for the time spent with her over the past year.

Mr. Ksiazek congratulated Ms. Payne, Ms. Quirple and Ms. Hannah on their appointments. He commented that it was privilege and honor to serve as Chairperson

Ms. Hannah thanked Mr. Ksiazek for all his support over the past year and congratulated everyone on their appointments.

Ms. Quirple thanked Mr. Ksiazek for doing a great service to the community. She congratulated Ms. Payne on her appointment.

All Supervisors, Mr. Kessler, Mr. Valla, and Ms. Teoli Kuhls wished everyone a happy new year.

Ms. Payne announced that the next Board of Supervisors Meeting will be Monday, January 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

16. Adjournment

Mr. Ksiazek moved to adjourn the public meeting of the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors public meeting at 7:24 p.m., seconded by Ms. Quirple. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.