## **MINUTES**

# SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# REORGANIZATION MEETING JANUARY 2, 2024

## **SWEARING IN CEREMONY:**

The Honorable Judge Marian Urrutia of Magisterial District 12-1-01 officiated the swearing in of the following Commissioners-Elect:

- 1. Ward 1 Commissioner-Elect Jody Rebarchak
- 2. Ward 3 Commissioner-Elect Carl Hisiro
- 3. Ward 5 Commissioner-Elect Sean Sanderson
- 4. Ward 7 Commissioner-Elect Fred Engle
- 5. Ward 8 Commissioner-Elect Pamela Cross
- 6. Ward 9 Commissioner-Elect Steven Napper

#### REORGANIZATION MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Michael Miller, Esq., Township Solicitor called to order the Reorganization Meeting of the Susquehanna Township Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 6:16 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL:**

## **COMMISSIONERS:**

Jody Rebarchak - Present

Gary Rothrock - Present

Carl Hisiro - Present

Frank Lynch - Present

Sean Sanderson - Present

Fred Faylona - Present

Fred Engle - Present

Pamela Cross - Present

Steven Napper - Present

## **TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL:**

David Pribulka – Secretary-Manager Betsy Logan - Assistant Township Manager Michael Miller, Esq. – Township Solicitor Jill Loyett - Finance Director

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Abigail Setuagbe, Meredith Mensah, Honorable Marian Uruttia, Linda Wright, Glorium Habimana, Audrey B., Doris Pitts, Harold Fritz, Eddie Cross, Victor Setnaybe, Monica Wasluoho, Rufus Ahrco, Oyebola Abisola, David Nghanda, Pastor Earl Harris, Elisabeth Ouattora, Michael Campbell, David Oxenreioler, Opeoluna Ayobandele, Isaiah Univera, Joseph Rebarchak, Ireolunwade Ayo Fargye, Afolado Oyelowo, Roselyn Adekunle, Femi King, Monique Martin, Zhorund Ogunnouke, Frank Sosu, Evelyn Sosu, Taffi Dan Ahmed, Danladi Dan Ahmed, Fince Yesutu, Remi

Yesutu, Udochi Ucheneke, A. Brown, Justin Fleming, Ezekiel Oghenede, Christol Okeke, Arrey Eichi-Baneyi, Mardi-Gras Eichi-Baneyi, Alice Ayobandele, Joyce Setuagbe, Sefa Setuagbe, Seyram Setuagbe, Chlose Imoisili, Mariam Imoisili, Theresa Dzorkpey, Nana Yaa Dzorkpey, and Paul Dzorkpey.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Solicitor Miller asked Commissioner Cross to lead the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a Moment of Silence.

## PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS: None

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Solicitor Miller accepted nominations for the following Officers of the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. President, Board of Commissioners
- 2. Vice President, Board of Commissioners
- 3. Assistant Secretary, Board of Commissioners

Nominations for each Office were received, a vote took place on each office individually.

- 1. President, Board of Commissioners Commissioner Frank Lynch was accepted by acclimation.
- 2. Vice President, Board of Commissioners Commissioner Steven Napper was accepted by acclimation.
- Assistant Secretary, Board of Commissioners Commissioner Sean Sanderson was accepted by acclimation.

## **APPOINTMENTS:**

- 1. President-Elect Lynch accepted a motion to make the following appointments:
  - a. Township Manager/Secretary Commissioner Sanderson nominated David Pribulka for Township Manager/Secretary. Commissioner Napper seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
  - b. Township Solicitor Commissioner Hisiro nominated Michael Miller, Esq., Eckert Seamans, LLC to be Township Solicitor. Commissioner Engle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
  - c. Planning Commission Solicitor Commissioner Hisiro nominated Michael Miller, Esq., Eckert Seamans, LLC to be Planning Commission Solicitor. Commissioner Faylona seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Township Engineer Commissioner Rothrock nominated Alex Greenly, P.E., HRG, Inc. to be Township Engineer. Commissioner Engle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Vacancy Board Chair Commissioner Hisiro nominated Mona Johnson as the Vacancy Board Chair. Commissioner Napper seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Official Newspaper Commissioner Napper nominated the Penn Live/Patriot News as the official newspaper for the Township. Commissioner Sanderson seconded the nomination. Motion carried unanimously.

# **ESTABLISHMENT OF 2024 MEETING DATES:**

A schedule of proposed 2024 Regular and Workshop meeting dates for the Susquehanna Township Board of Commissioners was presented. Also presented were the schedules for all other Authorities, Boards, and Commissions of the Township. Unless otherwise noted due to a holiday or other conflict, Regular Meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month, and a second Regular Meeting will be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month when necessary. Workshop Meetings will be held on the fourth Thursday of each month.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hisiro to establish the 2024 meeting dates as presented. Commissioner Sanderson seconded the motion. The Motion carried unanimously.

## **GENERAL COMMENTS**

President Lynch took a moment to remark on how great it is to look out and see so many people come out in support of Commissioner Cross. He took a moment to recognize Reverend Eddie Cross, and Reverend Tunde, who runs a tremendous church in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward. It is a wellspring of good vibes, healing, health, spirituality for connections and opportunities for entrepreneurship.

Commissioner Cross thanked everyone who came out and supported her, as well as her sister Doris Pitts, her brother Harold Fritz, Monique Martin, her husband, and many of their church family members are here. Many helped her throughout the campaign. Thank you for coming and your support. She expressed her appreciation and remarked that they are all part of her journey.

## <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Commissioner Engle moved to adjourn the Board of Commissioners Reorganization Meeting for January 2, 2024, at 6:28 p.m. Commissioner Sanderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted.

David Pribulka Secretary-Manager