

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Organizational Meeting
Monday, January 6, 2020
7:00 pm

I. ATTENDANCE

The Board of Supervisors held its Organizational Meeting on Monday, January 6, 2020, at the Ferguson Township Municipal Building. In attendance were:

Board: Steve Miller
Laura Dininni
Lisa Strickland
Patty Stephens
Prasenjit Mitra

Staff: David Pribulka, Township Manager
Dave Modricker, Director of Public Works
Chris Albright, Chief of Police

Others in attendance included: Faith Norris, Recording Secretary; Brian Heiser, State College Borough Water Authority; Ken Beldin; Jeremie Thompson; Bill Hechinger; Pam Steckler; Kara Kavala; Judge Casey McClain; Bill Keough; Christine Bailey.

Swearing in ceremony. Mses. Dininni, Stephens and Strickland and Mr. Mitra were sworn in as Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors members by Judge Casey McClain and presented a certificate from the County Office of Elections.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Miller called the Monday, January 6, 2020, organizational meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

Seating of the Board commenced.

III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Miller requested a temporary Chair be appointed for the election of officers for the Board of Supervisors.

Ms. Dininni moved that the Board of Supervisors **appoint** David Pribulka, the Township's Manager, as acting temporary Chair of the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Mitra seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Nominations opened for Board Chair.

Ms. Dininni nominated Steve Miller as Chair. No other nominations were made.

Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni - YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra - YES; Ms. Stephens - YES; Ms. Strickland-YES.

Mr. Miller continued the meeting and opened nominations for the remaining appointments.

Vice-Chair.

Ms. Strickland nominated Laura Dininni for Vice Chair. No other nominations were made.

Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni - YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra - YES; Ms. Stephens - YES; Ms. Strickland-YES.

Secretary/Treasurer.

Ms. Dininni nominated Dave Pribulka as Secretary/Treasurer. No other nominations were made.

Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni - YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra - YES; Ms. Stephens - YES; Ms. Strickland-YES.

IV. ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Miller reviewed the Administrative Code procedures for approval of appointments and recommended a more efficient process that can overrule the current process by approving appointments in a single vote. He noted with the exception of the Township's solicitor that is a different procedure that was later explained in detail.

Ms. Dininni made a motion at this meeting that the Board of Supervisors **change** the procedure to approve the nominations in a single vote. Ms. Strickland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Miller reviewed the slate of candidates and asked if any Board member wanted to pull a name off the list, nominate another person or for any other procedural reason.

Positions and Candidates	
Solicitor	Joseph Green
Local Services Tax Collector	Linda Welker
Health Officer	Brian O'Donnell
Certified Public Accountant – Auditor	Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP
Sewage Enforcement Officer	Walt Schneider – Primary Cory Warner – Alternate James Royer – Alternate Robert Royer - Alternate
Earned Income and Net Profits Tax	Centre Tax Agency
Tax Administrator	David Pribulka
Consulting Engineers	NTM Engineering – Stormwater/Lighting

No other nominations were made.

Ms. Dininni nominated the slate of candidates as read with the exception of the solicitor.

Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES; Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

Mr. Miller explained the procedure for solicitor that is the rule of the Board and not the Township.

Ms. Dininni nominated Joe Green as solicitor for the Township. No other nominations were made.

Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES; Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

V. APPOINTMENTS TO AUTHORITIES, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (ABCs)

Mr. Miller reviewed the procedure for the ABC appointments followed by the reading of the slate of candidates. Mr. Miller read the slate of candidates for the ABC appointments.

ABC Committee	Reappointments and New Members
Planning Commission	Jeremie Thompson Rob Crassweller Ellen Taricani - New

Planning Commission Alternate	Lisa Rittenhouse – <i>New Open [2 positions]</i>
Zoning Hearing Board	Irene Miller
Tree Commission	Josh Potter - <i>New</i>
Tax Review Board	Kristina Whitaker – <i>New Open</i>
ICDA	Rob Crassweller
Parks & Recreation Committee	Tessa Antolick - <i>New</i> Robert DeMayo – <i>New Open</i>
UAJA Representative	Open-Alt
CATA Representative	John Spsychalski
SCBWA Representative	Ford Stryker – <i>New</i>
C-Net Representative	Thomas Giles

Ms. Strickland nominated the slate of candidates as read. No further nominations were made.
Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES; Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

Mr. Miller noted that several ABC appointments are unfilled and encouraged those interested to apply by sending the request to Mr. Pribulka.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO C.O.G. AND REGIONAL COMMITTEES

Mr. Miller reviewed the items for appointments that he had previously discussed with the Board members. Mr. Miller read the slate of officials as recommended for the COG and Regional committees.

Committee	2020 Representatives
Executive	Mr. Miller
Public Safety	Ms. Dininni
Finance	Mr. Miller
Human Resources	Ms. Stephens
Public Services and Environmental	Mr. Mitra
Transportation and Land Use *Serves on Centre County MPO also 2-year Appointment Expires December 2021	Ms. Strickland-Coordinating Ron Seybert-Technical
Parks Capital	Ms. Dininni
Ad Hoc Facilities	Ms. Stephens
Solar Power Purchase Working Group	Eric Endresen
Spring Creek Watershed Commission Primary Alternate	Mr. Mitra (P) Ms. Dininni (A)
Centre Area Cable Consortium	Mr. Miller
Centre County Tax Collection Representative	Eric Endresen (P) David Pribulka (A)

Ms. Strickland nominated the slate of representatives as read. No further nominations were made.
Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES; Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

VII. APPOINTMENT TO POLICE PENSION ADVISORY BOARD

Mr. Miller introduced the item for nomination.

Ms. Dininni nominated Steve Miller as the Board of Supervisors representative on the Police Pension Advisory Board. No other nominations were made.

Roll-Call Vote: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES; Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

VIII. ESTABLISH MEETING DATES FOR 2020

Mr. Pribulka introduced the item for approval.

Mr. Mitra moved that the Board of Supervisors **establish** its regular meeting schedule for 2020 as the first and third Monday of each month except that it will meet on February 18th and September 8th and on the first two Monday's in December. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORY

Mr. Pribulka introduced the item for appointment and as defined in the Township's investment policy.

Ms. Dininni moved that the Board of Supervisors **appoint** Jersey Shore State Bank as the Township's primary depository and any FDIC insured bank and the PA Local Government Investment Trust for investments per the township's investment policy. Ms. Strickland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

X. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Public Hearing on Resolution Establishing the Agenda Order of Business for 2020

Mr. Pribulka stated the resolution was provided with the agenda and reviewed the established policy per the Administrative Code. No changes were proposed for 2020.

No public comment was noted.

Ms. Strickland moved that the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the resolution establishing the Agenda Order of Business for 2020. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote for Resolution 2020-01: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES; Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

b. Public Hearing on a Resolution Adopting the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors Procedures

The resolution was provided with the agenda. No changes were made from the 2019 version.

No public comment was noted.

Ms. Strickland moved that the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the resolution adopting the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors Procedures Manual. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote for Resolution 2020-02: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES;
Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Ms. Dininni adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Pribulka", written in a cursive style.

David Pribulka, Township Manager
For the Board of Supervisors

Date approved by the Board: 01-20-2020