

MINUTES TO Re-Organization MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2022

The Re-Organization Meeting of the Borough of Baldwin Council was called to order by Mayor David Depretis at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 3, 2022. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was done by Mayor David Depretis and the Invocation was done by Deacon Dan Nizan.

OATH OF OFFICE

Matthew Jacob performed the swearing in for Mayor David Depretis.

The Honorable Judge Ralph Kaiser performed the swearing in for Gail Mikush, Tax Collector (via phone,) and Marianne Conley, Council.

The following members of Baldwin Borough council, were sworn into office by Mayor David Depretis: Mrs. Erin Brown, Mr. Raymond “Butch” Dee and Mr. John Egger. The new members of Council took their places at the table for the remainder of the meeting.

ROLL CALL

The following answered to roll call by Borough Manager Robert Firek: Mr. James Behers, Mrs. Patricia Boyer, Mrs. Erin Brown, Mrs. Marianne Conley, Mr. Raymond Dee, Mr. John Egger, Mrs. Denise Maiden, Mayor David Depretis, Mr. Robert Firek and Chief Tony Cortazzo.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – Agenda Items Only - None

NOMINATIONS

Mayor Depretis asked for nominations for PRESIDENT of Council:

M-1 ***Mrs. Marianne Conley made a nomination to appoint Mr. John Egger as President of Council.** A roll-call was taken by Mr. Firek: Mr. Behers- yes, Mrs. Boyer- yes, Mrs. Brown - yes, Mrs. Conley – yes, Mr. Dee – yes, Mr. Egger - yes, Mrs. Maiden- yes. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

Mayor Depretis asked for nominations for VICE-PRESIDENT of Council:

M-2 ***Mr. John Egger nominated Mrs. Marianne Conley as Vice-President of Council.** A roll-call was taken by Mr. Firek: Mr. Behers- yes, Mrs. Boyer- yes, Mrs. Brown - yes, Mrs. Conley – yes, Mr. Dee – yes, Mr. Egger - yes, Mrs. Maiden- yes. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

Mayor Depretis passed the meeting over to Mr. John Egger, Council President.

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Mr. Egger asked for nominations for PRESIDENT PRO-TEM:

- M-3** *Mrs. Conley nominated Mrs. Denise Maiden as President Pro-Tem. A Roll-call was taken by Mr. Firek: Mr. Behers- yes, Mrs. Boyer- yes, Mrs. Brown - yes, Mrs. Conley – yes, Mr. Dee – yes, Mr. Egger - yes, Mrs. Maiden- yes Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

APPOINTMENTS FOR 2022:

- M-4** *Mrs. Conley made a motion to appoint Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. and Jason Stanton, P.E. as the Borough Engineer; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*
- M-5** *Mrs. Conley made a motion to have Tucker Arensberg, P.C., Ashley Wagner, Esq. as the Borough Solicitor; second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*
- M-6** *Mrs. Conley made a motion to appoint Diana Behers as the Treasurer; second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed 6-0-1. Mr. Behers abstained.*
- M-7** *Mrs. Conley made a motion to have the Bank Depository for Baldwin Borough for 2022-2023 remain as Huntington Bank; second by Mrs. Maiden Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*
- M-8** *Mrs. Conley made a motion to name the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as the Official Newspaper for Legal Advertising for 2022-2023 for Baldwin Borough with The South Hills Record as the Alternate; second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*
- M-9** *Mrs. Conley made the motion to set the Time and Date for the Regular Meetings to be held the Third (3rd) Tuesday of the Month with the 1st Meeting to be held on January 18, 2022 at 7:30 pm in the auditorium. The Agenda Meetings to be held the second (2nd) Tuesday of the Month with the 1st Meeting to be held on January 11, 2022 at 7:30 pm in Council Chambers; Second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Firek added that the May meeting will be held on the 2nd Wednesday (May 11, 2022) due to Election Day being held on the 2nd Tuesday that month.

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APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments will be discussed next week at the Agenda Meeting:

South Hills Area Council of Government (SHACOG) Board of Directors
SHACOG Franchising Authority Board
SHACOG Joint Rate Review Board

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Egger announced the following Council appointments:

Finance – Mrs. Denise Maiden
Parks and Recreation – Mrs. Patty Boyer
Public Safety – Mr. Jim Behers
Planning Commission/Zoning Hearing Board Liaison – Mrs. Erin Brown
Personnel – Mrs. Marianne Conley
Public Works – Mr. Raymond “Butch” Dee
Library Board Representative – Mrs. Denise Maiden
Baldwin EMS Board of Directors – Mr. Jim Behers

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

M-10 *Mrs. Maiden made a motion to appoint Kelly Mossbauer and Khara Timsina to the Library Board (3-year term); second by Mrs. Conley. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Egger added that a third Library Board seat is vacant and the Library is advertising the vacancy. Council will also be interviewing for the vacant Planning Commission seat.

M-11 *Mrs. Conley made a motion to appoint Mr. Tony Cilla, Jr. to the UCC Board of Appeals (1-year term); second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

M-12 *Mrs. Conley made a motion to appoint Charlotte Hagan to the Vacancy Board (1-year term) second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

M-13 *Mrs. Maiden made a motion to appoint Timothy Esken to the Zoning Hearing Board (5-year term) second by Mrs. Conley. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

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Mr. Egger added that the Stormwater Authority Board seat vacancy (1-year-term) will be discussed next week.

M-14 *Mrs. Conley made a motion to appoint Mr. John Egger to a (6-year term) and Suzanne Fleszar (filling vacated term which expires December 31, 2022) to the Civil Service Commission. The alternate seat is vacant and candidates will be interviewed; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, the motion passed 6-0-1, with Mr. Egger abstaining.*

Mr. Egger added clarification that the seat being filled by Suzanne Fleszar was vacated by Greg Zeman, who was elected to Baldwin-Whitehall School Board, making him ineligible to serve on the Civil Service Commission

AUDIENCE AGENDA: None

Mr. Egger thanked the public for their support and invited everyone in attendance to a reception after the meeting to meet the Mayor and new members of Council

M-15 *Mrs. Conley made a motion to adjourn; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

Respectively Submitted,

BOROUGH OF BALDWIN

Robert T. Firek, P.E.
Borough Manager