

WILKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REORGANIZATION MEETING, MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2014

The Reorganization Meeting of Monday, January 6, 2014 was brought to order at 7:30 PM by President Sylvia Martinelli. A quorum was present as follows:

Mrs. Martinelli Ms. Criner
Mr. Boyd Mr. Costa Mr. Wilson

Certification and Oath of Office:

Judge Susan Evashavik-DiLucente, Fifth District of Pennsylvania, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas administered the oath of office to Mrs. Sylvia Martinelli, Mr. Joseph Costa, Mr. Mark Wells and Mr. George Porado.

Public Comments:

Mrs. Gialloreto, 977 Elizabeth Street thanked the audience members for coming out in such horrible weather to attend the meeting. She congratulated Mr. Wells, Mrs. Martinelli and Mr. Costa on their (re)election to the Board of Commissioners; thanked Judge Evashavik-DiLucente for doing such a great job, thanked the Democratic Committee members and introduced the Vice Chair of the Democratic Committee, the Honorable Paul Costa.

The Honorable Paul Costa addressed the newly elected members of the Board of Commissioners, stating that they have the enormous privilege of having people put their trust and faith in them. He specifically addressed Mr. Wells and advised him to always make decisions that are in the best interest of the Township. Mr. Costa thanked Mr. Wilson for his past years of service and thanked the employees of the Public Works Department for keeping the roads clear of ice and snow on nights like tonight.

Mrs. Martinelli thanked Judge Evashavik-DiLucente for performing the Oath of Office for the Board and thanked Mr. Costa for his comments.

Reorganization/Installation of Officers:

(1-14) MOVED CRINER-WELLS to appoint Mrs. Sylvia Martinelli to the position of Board President.

(2-14) MOVED CRINER-BOYD to appoint Mr. Joseph Costa to the position of Board Vice President.

Motions 1-14 to 2-14 inclusive were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Appointment of Committees and Chairs:

President Martinelli made the following appointments:

FINANCE – Michelle Criner, Chair; Michael Boyd and Mark Wells.

POLICE – Michael Boyd, Chair; Mark Wells and Sylvia Martinelli.

PUBLIC WORKS – Joseph Costa, Chair; Michelle Criner and Mark Wells.

RECREATION – Mark Wells, Chair; Joseph Costa, Michelle Criner and Sylvia Martinelli.

(3-14) MOVED COSTA-CRINER to appoint Mr. George Porado to the position of Township Treasurer.

(4-14) MOVED COSTA-WELLS to appoint Mr. John Rushford of the law firm Dodaro, Matta & Cambest, P.C., as Solicitor.

(5-14) MOVED CRINER-COSTA to appoint Mr. Robert Arnold of Chester Engineers as Engineer.

(6-14) MOVED COSTA-BOYD to appoint Mr. N. Leonard Hill as Fire Marshal.

(7-14) MOVED CRINER-COSTA to appoint Mr. Paul Romanelli, Mr. Chad Hoover and Mr. William McElheny to the position of Deputy Fire Marshal.

(8-14) MOVED CRINER-COSTA to designate PNC Bank and Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) as the Township's depositories.

(9-14) MOVED COSTA-WELLS to designate the Pittsburgh Tribune Review, the Valley Mirror and the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as the newspapers for legal notices.

(10-14) MOVED CRINER-BOYD to appoint Mrs. Martinelli and Mr. Costa as the Township representatives to the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments.

(11-14) MOVED CRINER-COSTA to appoint Mr. Boyd as liaison to the Allegheny County Emergency Operations Center.

(12-14) MOVED CRINER-BOYD to appoint Mr. Costa as liaison to the Woodland Hills Emergency Services Board.

(13-14) MOVED COSTA-BOYD to appoint Mrs. Martinelli as Delegate and Mrs. Bradley as Alternate to the Allegheny Southeastern Tax Collection Committee.

(14-14) MOVED CRINER-WELLS to appoint Mr. Ralph Keller to the Zoning Hearing Board for the term of three years.

(15-14) MOVED CRINER-WELLS to appoint Mrs. Angie Gialloreto to the Wilkins Township Vacancy Board for the term of one year.

(16-14) MOVED COSTA-WELLS to appoint Mr. Richard DeRiso and Mr. Theora Jones to the Planning Commission for a term of five years.

(17-14) MOVED COSTA-WELLS to appoint Ms. Kelly Wilson and Ms. Kathleen Bonda as Alternates to the Civil Service Board for a term of six years.

(18-14) MOVED CRINER-COSTA to appoint Mr. Richard and Mrs. Joy Voeltzel, Ms. Beth Humbertson, Mrs. Melissa Brinza, Ms. Janice McMahon, Ms. Heidi Steele, Ms. Stephanie Bonda and Ms. Krystall Hoffman to the Recreation Advisory Board for a term of two years.

(19-14) MOVED COSTA-CRINER to appoint Mr. Paul Rochini, Mr. Erik Lawson and Mr. Peter Nychis to the Industrial Development Authority for a term of five years.

(20-14) MOVED COSTA-BOYD to appoint Mr. and Mrs. Allen Schwartz to the Bicentennial Committee.

Motions 3-14 to 20-14 inclusive were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners' Comments:

Mrs. Martinelli announced that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session prior to the Reorganization Meeting to discuss a matter of litigation.

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Ms. Criner said goodbye to Mr. Wilson and hello to Mr. Wells. She stated that she enjoyed working with Mr. Wilson and is sure that she and Mr. Wells will work well together as they do the best they can for the community.

Mr. Costa thanked Mr. Wilson for his service and welcomed Mr. Wells to the Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Wells stated that he is looking forward to working with the Board. He thanked Mr. Wilson for his help and support; thanked Mr. Paul Costa and Mr. Frank Greco for their offers of help and insight; thanked Mrs. Gialloreto for her support and Judge Evashavik-DiLucente for coming out tonight to administer the Oath of Office; and finally thanked his mother, Mrs. Patricia Kaye. He is looking forward to working with everyone.

Mrs. Martinelli thanked everyone for coming out and supporting the Board. She is thrilled with some of the things that are going on in the Township.

(21-14) MOVED CRINER-BOYD to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley
Secretary