

**LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2017**

Call to Order: Chairman Sorgini called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

- a. The following members were in attendance: Chairman Sorgini, Supervisors Eckman, Duffy, MacFarland, Sorgini, and Zimmerman.
 - b. Also in attendance were: Colby Grim, Township Solicitor; Donald Delamater, Township Manager; William Roth, Director of Special Projects and Technology; Geri Golas, Assistant Township Manager; and Denise Walsh, Community Relations Coordinator.
- 1) Appointment of Temporary Chairman
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Eckman made a motion to appoint Jill Zimmerman as Temporary Chairman. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 - 2) Election of Chairman
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Colleen Eckman as Chairwoman for 2017. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 4-1 with Supervisor Duffy opposing.
 - 3) Election of Vice-Chairman
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to appoint Jason Sorgini as Vice-Chairman for 2017. Chairwoman Eckman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 4-1 with Supervisor Duffy in opposition.
 - 4) Appointment of Solicitor and Fixing of Compensation
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint John Rice and the firm Grim, Biehn & Thatcher as solicitor for 2017 at a rate of \$155 for general matters, \$170 for litigation and \$180 for Real Estate and Land Use issues. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0
 - 5) Appointment of Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Donald Delamater as the Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 - 6) Appointment of Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Geri Golas as the Assistant Township Secretary/Assistant Treasurer. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 - 7) Appointment to Vacancy Board (one (1) One-year Term)
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to re-appoint Gloria Corcoran to the Vacancy Board. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 - 8) Appointment to Library Board of Trustees (two (2) Three-year Terms)
 - A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to appoint Ben Simkin to serve on the Library Board of Trustees. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 - B) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to appoint David Nawrocki to serve on the Library Board of Trustees. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 - 9) Appointment to Sewer Authority (one (1) Five-year Term)

- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Duffy made a motion to appoint Catherine Beyer to the Sewer Authority. The motion did not receive a second.
- B) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Tom Borai to the Sewer Authority. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 10) Appointment to Planning Commission (three (3) Four-year Terms)
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor MacFarland made a motion to reappoint Kristina O'Donnell to the Planning Commission. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- B) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to reappoint David Atkins to the Planning Commission. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- C) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to reappoint William D. Brooke Jr. to the Planning Commission. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 11) Confirmation of Current Members and Appointment to Zoning Hearing Board by Resolution #17-01(one (1) Five-year Term)
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Patricia Alzamora to the Zoning Hearing Board. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 12) Appointment to Parks & Recreation Board (two (2) Five-year Term)
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to reappoint Erin DiPaolo to the Parks & Recreation Board. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 13) Appointment to Finance Committee (three (3) Four-year Terms)
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Greg Pellicano to the Finance Committee. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- B) **MOTION:** Supervisor MacFarland made a motion to appoint Amy Calamari to the Finance Committee. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 14) Appointment to UCC Board of Appeals (one (1) Three-year Term)
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to appoint M. Steven Gillan to the UCC Board of Appeals. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 15) Appointment of Consulting Engineer and Fixing of Compensation
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to appoint Woodrow & Associates as the Township Consulting Engineer at the current rate of compensation. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 16) Appointment of Traffic Engineer and Fixing of Compensation
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor MacFarland made a motion to reappoint McMahan Associates, Inc. as the Township Traffic Engineer at the same rate for Senior Project Engineer, a lower rate for a second Senior Project Engineer, a \$5 increase for project engineer and the same rate for staff and technical word processing. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 17) Appointment of Environmental Consultant and Fixing of Compensation
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to reappoint Woodrow & Associates as the Township Environmental Consultant at the current rate of compensation. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 18) Appointment of Landscape Architectural Consultant and Fixing of Compensation
- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to reappoint Thomas Comitta Associates as the Township Landscape Architectural Consultant at the current rate of compensation. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 19) Appointment of Township Lighting Consultant and fixing of Compensation

- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Ron Smith/Suburban Lighting as the Township Lighting Consultant at the current rate of compensation. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 20) Appointment of Labor Attorney and fixing of Compensation
 A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to reappoint Scott Blissman of Eckert, Seamans, Cherin & Mellot, LLC as the Township Labor Attorney at the current rate of compensation. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 21) Appointment of Minutes Secretary to Various Boards and Fixing of Compensation
 A) **MOTION:** Supervisor MacFarland made a motion to reappoint Deborah Stanish as Minutes Secretary to the various boards at the current rate of compensation. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 22) Appointment of Actuary for Township Pension Plans, Township Employees Pension Plan and the Defined Contribution (401(a)) Plan and Fixing of Compensation
 A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to re-appoint Charles Friedlander of Municipal Finance Partners as the Actuary for Township Pension Plans at \$2,400 for the defined contribution plan 401(a), \$6,500 for the police pension plan and \$7,500 for the employees pension plan. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 23) Appointment of Municipal Pension Manager and Fixing of Compensation
 A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint INR Advisory Services as the Municipal Pension Manager for the Township. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 24) Appointment of Board Liaisons
 A) Chairwoman Eckman made the following Board Liaison Appointments:
 i) Business Development Committee: Supervisors MacFarland and Chairwoman Eckman
 ii) Library Board: Supervisor Duffy
 iii) Parks & Recreation Board: Supervisor Sorgini
 iv) Pension Committee: Supervisor Zimmerman
 v) Planning Commission: Supervisors Zimmerman with assistance of Chairwoman Eckman
 vi) Sewer Authority: Supervisor MacFarland
 vii) Finance Committee: Supervisor Duffy
- 25) Resolutions and Ordinances:
 A) Resolution No. 17-02 authorizing the appropriate Township Officials to affix signatures on checks.
 i) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt the resolution authorizing appropriate Township Officials to affix signatures on checks. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 B) Resolution No. 17-03 designating depositories for Township funds.
 i) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt the resolution designating depositories for Township funds. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
 C) Resolution No. 17-04 establishing the amount of the Treasurer's Bond at \$600,000 and \$100,000 for Secretary.
 i) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt the resolution to establish the amount of the Treasurer's Bond at \$600,000 and \$100,000 for Secretary. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.

- D) Resolution No. 17-05 establishing the Police Officers contributions to the Police Pension Plan for the Year 2015.
i) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to approve the resolution establishing the Police Officers Contributions to the Police Pension Plan for 2016 at 3% of total compensation. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The Motion *passed* 5-0.
- E) Resolution No. 17-06 establishing member contributions to the Employees Pension Fund for the Year 2015.
i) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to approve the resolution establishing member contributions to the Employee Pension Fund for 2016 at 1% of compensation. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- F) Resolution No. 17-07 Appointing the Certified Public Accounting Firm of Maillie LLP to Serve as Auditors to Audit the Accounts of Lower Providence Township for Fiscal Year 2016.
i) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to approve the resolution. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 26) Certification of Delegates and Voting Delegate to PSATS Annual State Convention.
A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to designate the Supervisors and Manager as delegates to the 2017 PSATS annual conference and to appoint Peter MacFarland as the voting delegate for 2017. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 27) A motion to recommend appointment of Township Representative to the Montgomery County Prison Board of Inspectors.
A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to appoint Chief Stan Turtle to be the Township Representative to the Montgomery County Prison Board of Inspectors. Supervisor MacFarland seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.
- 28) Adjournment:
A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Next Business Meeting: January 19, 2017
February 2, 2017