

**MINUTES OF PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2023**

1. Call to Order: The January 3, 2023, re-organization meeting of the Plumstead Township Board of Supervisors was held at Plumstead Township Municipal Building, 5186 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA. Mr. Hilferty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Daniel Hilferty	Member
James McComb	Member
Gregory Bankos	Member
Kenneth Lichtenstein	Member
Peter Busillo	Member

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Township Manager:	Angela P. Benner
Township Solicitor:	William Oetinger, Esq.
Township Engineer:	Timothy Fulmer, PE*

* Not Present

2. Moment of Silence & Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Hilferty led the Board and Audience in a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Announcements: Mr. Hilferty announced that all meetings for 2023 have been advertised and posted on the Township website on the calendar page and that the Township Offices will be closed Monday, January 16th in observation of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

4. Reorganization:

4.1. Election of Officers:

- A. Nomination and Election of Chairperson**
- B. Nomination and Election of Vice-Chair**
- C. Appointment of Secretary**
- D. Appointment of Treasurer**
- E. Appointment of Assistant Treasurer**
- F. Appointment of Assistant Secretary**

A. Nomination and Election of Chairperson:

NOMINATION: Mr. Hilferty nominated Mr. McComb to be Chairperson. Mr. McComb accepted the nomination and by acclamation, the Board unanimously appointed Mr. McComb as Chairperson.

B. Nomination and Election of Vice Chair:

NOMINATION: Upon nomination by Mr. Busillo, Mr. Lichtenstein was nominated as Vice Chair.

NOMINATION: Upon nomination by Mr. McComb, Mr. Hilferty was nominated as Vice Chair and elected as Chairperson on a vote of 3-2. Mr. Busillo and Mr. Lichtenstein were opposed.

C. Appointment of Secretary:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Bankos, the Board unanimously appointed Ms. Benner as Secretary.

D. Appointment of Treasurer:

NOMINATION: Mr. Lichtenstein nominated Mr. Bankos as Treasurer. Mr. Bankos declined.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. McComb, the Board unanimously appointed Ms. Benner as Treasurer.

E. Appointment of Assistant Treasurer:

NOMINATION: Upon nomination by Mr. McComb, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, Mr. Bankos was unanimously nominated as the Assistant Treasurer.

F. Appointment of Assistant Secretary:

NOMINATION: Upon nomination by Mr. McComb, Mr. Lichtenstein was unanimously nominated as the Assistant Secretary.

4.3. Resolution #2023-01: Establishing Employee Benefits, Holiday Schedule, and Staff:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Bankos, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2023-01 establishing employee benefits, holiday schedule and staff.

4.4. Resolution #2023-02: Acknowledgement of Professional Appointments, Check Signers, appointment of Boards, Commissions and Committees and list of Township Depositories:

Mr. Hilferty stated that Don Veix should not be reappointed to the Planning Commission. Mr. Lichtenstein asked Mr. Hilferty what his objection in reappointing Mr. Veix was and stated it wasn't clear. Mr. Hilferty stated that he has been on the Planning Commission for many years and stated he thinks it is beneficial to rotate more people into the Committee.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. McComb, seconded by Mr. Bankos, on a vote of 3-2, the Board approved Resolution #2023-02 Acknowledging the Professional Appointments, Check Signers, Township Depositories; and the Appointment of Boards, Commissions and Committees except for the reappointment of Donald Veix to the Planning Commission. Mr. Busillo and Mr. Lichtenstein opposed.

4.5. PSATS Voting Delegate:

NOMINATION: Upon motion Mr. Hilferty and seconded by Mr. Bankos, Mr. Lichtenstein was unanimously appointed as the Township's PSATS Voting Delegate.

4.6. Supervisor Liaison Positions: Ms. Benner stated who the current liaisons were and what committees/boards did not have a liaison.

NOMINATION: Upon nomination by Mr. Lichtenstein, Mr. Bankos was unanimously nominated to the Park and Recreation Committee Supervisors Liaison.

Mr. Lichtenstein stated he would like to be considered as the supervisor liaison to the Emergency Management Committee. Mr. Hilferty stated that he would like to continue in his role as the current supervisor liaison to the Emergency Management Committee. Mr. Busillo stated that it would be a benefit to have a new board member serve in that role. Mr. Lichtenstein stated he would keep his current liaison position for the Environmental Advisory Committee and the Land Preservation Education Advisory Committee. Ms. Benner stated she would attend the first Historical Advisory Committee, so no Board liaison is necessary for at this time.

NOMINATION: Upon nomination by Mr. Lichtenstein, on a 3-2 vote, the Board nominated Mr. Lichtenstein to be the liaison to the Emergency Management Committee. Mr. McComb and Mr. Hilferty opposed.

5. Other Business:

5.1. Resolution #2022-03: Police Pension Contribution: Ms. Benner stated that the Township's Ordinance requires a 5.0% contribution from employees into their pension plan, however the Minimum Municipal Obligation only requires 3.5%.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Bankos, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2022-03 reducing the Police's required pension requirement from 5.0% to 3.5% for the 2023 calendar year.

5.2. Resolution #2022-04: Identity Theft Prevention Program: Ms. Benner stated that this program is required to be re-adopted annually.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2023-04 re-adopting the Identity Theft Prevention Program.

5.3. Resolution #2023-05: Fee Schedule:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2023-05 adopting the Township's fee schedule.

5.4. Approval of Tasks Assigned to Township Committees:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Lichtenstein, seconded by Mr. Bankos, the Board unanimously authorized the Township Manager to provide the EAC with the memo assigning tasks for 2023.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Lichtenstein, seconded by Mr. Hilferty Board unanimously authorized Township Manager to provide the Park and Recreation with the memo assigning tasks for 2023.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously authorized the Township Manager to provide HAC with the memo assigning tasks for 2023.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Lichtenstein, seconded by Mr. Bankos, Board unanimously authorized Township Manager to provide LPEAC with the memo assigning tasks for 2023.

Kimberly Troup from Curly Hill Road was in attendance and stated that the Historical Advisory Committee and the Land Preservation Education Advisory Committee can work together and since she is a member of both committees she can be a connecting link.

6. Bills List Dated December 21, 2022 in the amount of \$88,326.42, subject to audit

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, Board unanimously approved the Bills List Dated December 21, 2022, in the amount of \$88,326.42, subject to audit.

7. Board of Supervisor Comments:

Mr. Bankos asked about the targeted Facebook Ads for the Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Benner stated that she is aware of this and is waiting to hear back from the Bucks County Planning Commission on this matter.

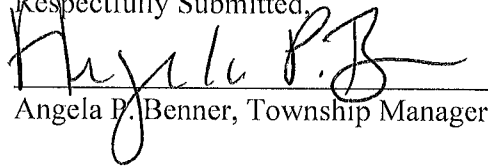
Mr. McComb stated that the IRS milage reimbursement rate went up to 65.5 cents per mile. Mr. McComb also spoke about upcoming PSATS webinars.

8. Public Comment: There was no public comment at this time.

9. Adjournment: Upon motion by Mr. Lichtenstein and seconded by Mr. Bankos the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Date Approved: 11/10/23

Respectfully Submitted,


Angela P. Benner, Township Manager