

OFFICIAL and APPROVED SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

BERLIN BOROUGH COUNCIL

April 23, 2014 - 7:30 p.m.

1. Vice President Roger Clarke calls the meeting to order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
3. A moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Roger Clarke / Vice President
Kerrie Broderick
Neil Scheller (Absent due to illness)
Eric Glotfelty
Brett Custer
Barb Zerfoss
Mayor Joseph Krause

Also in attendance were:

Terry Metzgar, Assistant Borough Secretary

Members of the public:

John F. Harding, Jr.

Amber Rosado (Reporter for the Daily American who arrived at approximately 07:40)

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4. Minutes of the February 3, 2014, Regular Borough Council meeting for review. (Exhibit P5)

Motion by Kerrie Broderick and seconded by Brett Custer to approve and accept the minutes of Berlin Borough Council Meeting dated April 3, 2014.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Abstain

Motion Passed

1. Citizens' comments:

Vice President's Report (Roger Clarke)

1. Vice President Clarke expressed a special thank you to Terry DePhillips for his dedication to the council and the community. The Council accepts his resignation with considerable regret.

Motion by Kerrie Broderick and seconded by Eric Glotfelty to accept the resignation of Terry DePhillips from the Berlin Borough Council effective 041814.

Aye:5

Nay:0

Motion Passed

Metzgar directed to send a thank you card.

2. Reorganization

Motion by Barb Zerfoss and seconded by Roger Clarke to nominate Roger Clarke as Berlin Borough Council President.

Aye:2

Nay:3

Roll Call Vote:

Roger Clarke / Aye

Kerrie Broderick / Nay

Eric Glotfelty / Nay

Brett Custer / Nay

Barb Zerfoss / Aye

Motion defeated

Motion by Eric Glotfelty and seconded by Brett Custer to nominate Kerrie Broderick as Berlin Borough Council President.

Aye:3

Nay:2

Roll Call Vote:

Roger Clarke / Nay

Kerrie Broderick / Aye

Eric Glotfelty / Aye

Brett Custer / Aye

Barb Zerfoss / Nay

Motion passed

At this point the new Council President Kerrie Broderick accepts the gavel and addresses the Council asking for nominations for Vice-President and President Pro Temp.

Motion by Barb Zerfoss to nominate Roger Clarke as Berlin Borough Council Vice-President died for lack of a second.

Motion by Eric Glotfelty and seconded by Brett Custer to nominate Brett Custer as Berlin Borough Council Vice-President.

Aye:3

Nay:2

Roll Call Vote:

Roger Clarke / Nay

Kerrie Broderick / Aye

Eric Glotfelty / Aye

Brett Custer / Aye

Barb Zerfoss / Nay

Motion passed

Motion by Brett Custer and seconded by Roger Clarke to nominate Eric Glotfelty as Berlin Borough Council President Pro Temp.

Aye:4

Nay:1

Roll Call Vote:

Roger Clarke / Aye

Kerrie Broderick / Aye

Eric Glotfelty / Aye

Brett Custer / Aye

Barb Zerfoss / Nay

Motion passed

RESOLUTION TO FILL VACANCY IN ELECTED BOROUGH OFFICE

WHEREAS, a vacancy in the office of Borough Council for the Borough of Berlin in the County of Somerset has occurred due to a resignation.

WHEREAS, Section 901 of the Borough Code provides that the borough shall fill such vacancy by resolution within thirty (30) days by appointing a registered elector of the borough (who has also resided one year continuously prior to the date of appointment) to hold such office until the first Monday in January after the first Municipal Election occurring more than sixty (60) days after the vacancy occurs at which election an eligible person shall be elected to the office for the remainder of the term.

RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Berlin this 23rd day of April in the year 2014.

Motion by Eric Glotfelty and seconded by Brett Custer to appoint John F. Harding, Jr. as Berlin Borough Council Member.

Aye:5

Nay:0

Motion Passed

Oath of Office Administered to the newly appointed Council Member by Mayor Joseph Krause:

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity."

Having already completed the notarized certificate of residency requirement, Mr. Harding now joined the council.

Roger Clarke mentioned that he had received a request from citizens that a "Children at Play" sign be placed near Mulberry and Diamond Streets in an effort to slow vehicle traffic through this area. This issue was referred to the Street Committee for their consideration.

Motion by Barb Zerfoss and seconded by Eric Glotfelty to adjourn this Special Meeting of the Berlin Borough Council at 07:44 PM.

Aye:6

Nay:0

Note: The next regular meeting of the Berlin Borough Council is scheduled for May 1, 2014, beginning at 7:00 p.m., at the Berlin Borough Council conference/meeting room, 700 North Street, Berlin, Pennsylvania.