

THE BOROUGH OF RIDGWAY
Borough Council Reorganization Meeting
January 3, 2022
Ridgway Loyal Order of the Moose

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ray Imhof at 7:00 p.m. on January 3, 2022 at the Ridgway Loyal Order of the Moose.

PRESENT: Council members Frank Quattrone, Ralph Dussia, Ron Burkett, Abbi Peters, Steve Caggese, Steve Lawrie and Brent Kemmer. Also, in attendance were Borough Manager Mike Handley, Mayor Ray Imhof, Solicitor David Pontzer, Recording Secretary Diana Newell and two members of the press.

The mayor began the meeting with the nomination of Council President. Councilman Caggese nominated Councilman Quattrone and Councilman Dussia nominated Councilman Burkett. The vote for Councilman Quattrone went as follows:

Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Nay
Councilman Dussia	Nay
Councilman Kemmer	Nay
Councilman Caggese	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye

The mayor requested a nomination for Council Vice President. Councilman Quattrone nominated Councilman Caggese for Vice President and Councilman Burkett nominated Councilman Dussia. Councilman Dussia declined the nomination. The vote for Councilman Caggese for Vice President went as follows:

Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye
Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye
Councilman Dussia	Aye
Councilman Caggese	Aye

The mayor requested a nomination for Council President Pro-Tem. Councilman Caggese nominated Councilwoman Peters for President Pro-Term and Councilman Kemmer nominated Councilman Burkett. Councilman Burkett declined the nomination and the vote for Councilwoman Peters for President Pro-Term went as follows:

Councilman Caggese	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye
Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye

Councilman Dussia Aye
Councilman Quattrone Aye

The mayor then handed the meeting over to President Frank Quattrone.

Councilman Quattrone asked for a nomination for Vacancy Board Chair. Councilwoman Peters made a motion to nominate Harry Richards for the vacancy board chair for a 2-year term extension which will expire on (January 2024). The vote went as follows:

Councilwoman Peters Aye
Councilman Dussia Aye
Councilman Burkett Aye
Councilman Quattrone Aye
Councilman Kemmer Aye
Councilman Caggese Aye
Councilman Lawrie Aye

Councilman Quattrone asked for a nomination for Solicitor. Councilman Dussia made a motion to nominate David Pontzer for a 2-year extension for Solicitor which would expire on January 2024. The vote went as follows:

Councilman Dussia Aye
Councilman Burkett Aye
Councilwoman Peters Aye
Councilman Quattrone Aye
Councilman Kemmer Aye
Councilman Caggese Aye
Councilman Lawrie Aye

Councilman Quattrone asked for a nomination for Borough Engineer. Councilman Caggese made a motion to nominate Greenman-Pederson Inc. for the Borough Engineer for a 2-year extension which would expire on January 2024. The vote went as follows:

Councilman Caggese Aye
Councilwoman Peters Aye
Councilman Burkett Aye
Councilman Dussia Aye
Councilman Quattrone Aye
Councilman Kemmer Aye
Councilman Lawrie Aye

Councilman Quattrone asked for a nomination for Treasurer. Councilwoman Peters nominated John Paul MacDonald for the Borough Treasurer for a 2-year extension which would expire on January 2024. The vote went as follows:

Councilwoman Peters Aye
Councilman Caggese Aye

Councilman Dussia	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye

Councilman Quattrone asked for a nomination for Borough Auditor. Councilman Caggese nominated Sharkey, Piccirillo & Keen LLP for the Borough Auditor for a 2-year extension which would expire on January 2024. The vote went as follows:

Councilman Caggese	Aye
Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye
Councilman Dussia	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye

Councilman Quattrone asked for a nomination for Borough Depositories. Councilwoman Peters nominated the Farmers National Bank, Northwest Savings Bank, PNC Bank and CNB Bank for the Borough Depositories. The vote went as follows:

Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye
Councilman Dussia	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilman Caggese	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye

Councilman Quattrone asked for a nomination for the PSAB Delegate. Councilman Caggese nominated Mayor Ray Imhof for the PSAB delegate for a 2-year term which would expire January 2024. The vote went as follows:

Councilman Caggese	Aye
Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilman Dussia	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye

Councilman Quattrone stated that the current time and day for the Borough Council Meetings is currently set at the third Monday of the month held at 7:00 p.m. Councilman Lawrie made a motion for the meetings to begin at 6:00 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. and keep the location of the West End Firehall. Councilman Caggese seconded the motion and it was approved by the following vote:

Councilman Lawrie	Aye
Councilman Caggese	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Dussia	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye

Old Business

Council members went into executive session at 7:11 p.m. and will return.

Council members returned from executive session at 7:58 p.m.

Councilman Quattrone reported that the Chief of Police matter will be taken back to the personnel committee and will be voted on at the regular council meeting.

New Business

Council Committee Appointments:

Councilman Kemmer was appointed on the Cable TV Committee.

Councilwoman Peters and Councilman Lawrie were appointed on the Finance Committee with Peters being Chair.

Councilman Quattrone stated there will be no change with the Fire, Police, Property & Equipment Committee.

Councilwoman Peters was appointed on the Personnel Committee.

Councilman Lawrie was appointed on the Planning, Grants & Recreation Committee.

Councilman Quattrone and Councilman Kemmer were appointed on the Property Maintenance Committee with Quattrone being Chair.

Councilman Lawrie was appointed on the Street Lighting, Parking, and Traffic Committee.

Councilman Quattrone reported there to be no change on the Water, Sewer, Refuse and Streets Committee.

Councilman Dussia discussed the Ridgway Mills Campground and the wiring that needs done to the structure on site in order to better secure the building as well as storing vehicles inside during the winter months. After much discussion, Councilman Dussia made a motion to use funds from trucked waste to install electric upgrades to the large warehouse at the Ridgway Mills property with a cap at \$10,000.00. Councilman Caggese seconded the motion and it was approved by the following vote:

Councilman Dussia	Aye
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Councilman Caggese	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilwoman Peters	Aye
Councilman Lawrie	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye

Councilman Dussia made a motion to get an engineering quote to install water, sewer, and electric to 25 campsites at the Ridgway Mills property. Councilman Burkett seconded the motion and it was approved by the following vote:

Councilman Dussia	Aye
Councilman Burkett	Aye
Councilman Quattrone	Aye
Councilman Kemmer	Aye
Councilwoman Peters	Opposed
Councilman Lawrie	Aye
Councilman Caggese	Aye

After no further discussion, council adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.