BOROUGH OF SOUTH GREENSBURG

REORGANIZATION MEETING

JANUARY 8, 2024

Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

SWEARING-IN OF OFFICIALS:

Council Members Jamie Bartley, KelseyMcGill and Michael Rosensteel will be sworn in by Mayor Kevin Fajt.

Present: Mr. Danley, Mr. Yarnell, Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. Martin, Mr. Rosensteel, Mr. Bartley, Mr. Fajt, Ms. McGill

REORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL: Mayor Kevin Fajt presiding.

A. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL: **Motion by Yarnell to elect Kathleen Hopkins President, Second by Rosensteel**

**VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 1 Abstain(Hopkins) - Motion carried**.

B. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL: **Motion by Bartley to elect Tom Yarnell Vice President, Second by Martin**

**VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 1 Abstain(Yarnell) - Motion carried.**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS: Council President presiding.

Re-Appointments

Jennifer Detore - Secretary

Diane Heming – Secretary

Jennifer Detore – Right to Know

Mark Hamilton - Solicitor.

Douglas P. Regola, P.E. - Engineer.

Keystone Collections -Tax Collector.

Mark Cypher - Zoning Officer.

Leslie Mlakar, Esq. - Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor.

Kathleen Hopkins - Code Enforcement Officer

Emergency Management Coordinator – William Danley

Zoning Hearing Board – Eric Hardy, Doreen Zalikar, Robert Iezzi

Singer Accounting – Auditor

Planning Commission – Betty Dobies, Rose Fochia, Kathleen Hopkins

**Motion to accept the reappointment made by Rosensteel, Second by Bartley**

**VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 2 Abstain(Hopkins, Danley) - Motion carried.**

A motion to adopt Robert’s Rules of Order as Council’s procedural rules.

**Motion was made by Martin and seconded by Bartley**

**VOTE: 6 Yes, 1 No,(Rosensteel) 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.**

Motion made to appoint and designate First National Bank and Somerset Trust as Treasurer and depository of Borough funds.

**Motion made by Bartley and seconded by Danley**

**VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried**.

Reorganization of Council Committee Members by Chair:

Finances & Administration – Clentin Martin

Buildings & Grounds – Jamie Bartley

Fire & Water – Michael Rosensteel

Parks & Recreation – Kelsey McGill

Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement – Clentin Matin

Streets & Sanitation – Thomas Yarnell

Police Department – William Danley

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES:**

Motion was made by Danley and seconded by Bartley to approve December’s Regular Council meeting minutes.

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, - Motion Passed**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

 **Ms. Detore** available in office/Moodle

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**MAYOR REPORT:**

**POLICE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**: Mayor read report

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**: Backflow issue with water tank at Borough Garage

**STREETS & SANITATION**: Garbage truck needed a $2,200 repair, Marking was done today for the Huff Avenue light project, Looking into excess garbage at houses

**FIRE & WATER**: Read report

**PARKS & RECREATION:** Starting to plan for Easter

**PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT**: Getting ready to go to Magistrate for non-payment of Garbage

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT: None**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**: None

**SEWAGE AUTHORITY REPORT: No changes at the plant, everything running smooth**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS and Budget Transfers:**

**Approval of Bills:**

**Motion was made by Danley and seconded by Martin to pay December Bills**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, abstain 0- Motion Passed**

**Financial Report:**

Ms. Detore presented the financial reports.

**Motion was made by Martin and seconded by Danley to accept December 2023 Financial Reports.**

**Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, abstain 0- Motion Passed**

**Approval of Purchases:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion to approve the purchase of a new office computer from Biz Communications in the amount of $2,113

**Motion was made Bartley and seconded by Danley**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 0 – Motion Passed**

Motion to accept the resignation of Jacke Packe effective 12/8/2023

**Motion was made Martin and seconded by Bartley**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 0 – Motion Passed**

Motion to hire Thomas Carnahan as full time patrolman at a rate of $57,200 retro active to January 1, 2024.

**Motion was made Yarnell and seconded by Bartley**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 0 – Motion Passed**

Motion to increase the rates of part time patrolmen to $22.35

**Motion was made Martin and seconded by Bartley**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 0 – Motion Passed**

Motion to give Matthew Scarpa a $0.69 raise

**Motion was made Yarnell and seconded by Rosensteel**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 0 – Motion Passed**

Motion to give Jennifer Detore a $0.75 raise

**Motion was made Danley and seconded by Bartley**

 **Vote: Yes 6, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1(Yarnell) – Motion Passed**

Motion to give Diane Heming a $0.50 raise

**Motion was made Yarnell and seconded by Martin**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 0 – Motion Passed**

Motion to lease a 2024 Jeep Cherokee from Acme Auto Leasing paid for by HIDTA task force at a cost of $795 a month for 12 months to replace the 2023 Chevy Malibu

**Motion was made Bartley and seconded by Rosensteel**

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 0 – Motion Passed**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Motion to enter exectuive session by Barley and Seconded by Danley at 6:50pm

Motion to leave executive session by Rosensteel and seconded by Bartley at 7:06pm

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM was made by Danley and seconded by Martin

 **Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Absent 0, abstain 0- Motion Passed**

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Detore

Borough Secretary