

# **Board of Supervisors**

# Reorganization

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~ Minutes ~

Monday, January 4, 2021

5:00 PM

**Community Meeting Room** 

#### I. 5:00 PM PUBLIC MEETING

Members of the Board of Supervisors in attendance included Barbara N. Lyons, Ryan Manion, Nancy Santacecilia, Jennifer Herring (remotely), and Dan Wood (remotely).

Township Staff in attendance included Township Manager Stephanie Mason, Director of Operations Dave Tomko, Township Solicitor Jeffrey Garton, Chief of Police Dean Logan and Township Engineer Sean Torpey.

# A. <u>Pledge to the flag</u>

Ms. Lyons welcomed the public and staff to the meeting. Wishing all a Happy New Year and continued good health.

# B. <u>Visitors/Public Comment</u>

No Public Comment

### C. Announcements:

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#### II. REORGANIZATION

# A. Organize the Board of Supervisors for 2021

Mrs. Lyons stepped down as Chairman. Mr. Garton assumed the duties of Temporary Chairman.

Mr. Garton called for nominations for the position of Chairman of Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors for the year 2021.

### Chairman:

Ms. Manion MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Santacecilia to nominate Mrs. Lyons to serve as Chairman.

Hearing no further nominations Mrs. Lyons was elected Chairman; MOTION passed 5-0.

#### Vice Chairman:

Ms. Santacecilia MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Lyons to nominate Ms. Manion to serve as Vice Chairman.

Ms. Herring MOTIONED; seconded by Mr. Wood to nominate Ms. Herring to serve as Vice Chairman.

Ms. Herring stated she has attended meetings regularly over the past 3 years and stated all of her accomplishments.

Hearing no further nominations Ms. Manion was elected Vice Chairman; MOTION passed 3-2. Mr. Wood and Ms. Herring opposed.

### <u>Director of Public Safety</u>:

Ms. Manion MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Herring to nominate Mrs. Lyons as Director of Public Safety.

Hearing no further nominations Mrs. Lyons was elected Director of Public Safety; MOTION passed 5-0.

### B. Approval of Minutes – December 15, 2020

Ms. Herring MOTIONED to approve the minutes of the Board's meeting on 12/15/20. Ms. Manion seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

# C. Proposed Guidelines for Supervisors, Public Meetings, and Chairperson: 2021

Ms. Herring MOTIONED to approve the proposed 2021 guidelines as outlined in the agenda. Ms. Manion seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

# D. <u>Designate Board's areas of responsibility for 2021</u>

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve the designated board's areas of responsibility as listed below. Ms. Herring seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

Agricultural Security Advisory Board Dan Wood
Bike/Hike Committee Nancy Santacecilia

Dog Park Advisory Com.

Doylestown Twp. Municipal Authority
Environmental Advisory Board
Friends of Kids Castle
(New) Local Traffic Advisory

Nancy Santacecilia
Barbara Lyons
Dan Wood
Ryan Manion
Ryan Manion

Committee

Parks & Recreation Ryan Manion

Pension Advisory Board Jennifer Herring/Nancy

Personnel/Administration Barbara Lyons

Planning Commission Jennifer Herring / Nancy

Santacecilia

Public Safety Barbara Lyons
Public Water & Sewer Advisory Com. Dan Wood
Roads & Bridges Dan Wood

Telecommunications Advisory Board Nancy Santacecilia Ways & Means Committee Jennifer Herring

# E. Township Appointments – 2021

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve the Township appointments as listed below. Ms. Santacecilia seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

1.	Manager/Secretary/Treasurer/Zoning Officer	Stephanie Mason
2.	Police Chief	Dean Logan
3.	Police Lieutenant	Charles Ziegler
4.	Code Enforcement Director / Asst. Zoning Officer/	Sinclair Salisbury
	Emergency Management Coordinator	
5.	Executive Director, DTMA	Keith Hass
6.	Director of Operations	Dave Tomko
7.	Director of Parks & Recreation	Karen A. Sweeney
8.	Finance Officer	Kenneth Wallace
9.	Fire Marshal	Fredrick Schea
10.	Parks Superintendent	Chris Mason
11.	Roads Superintendent	Paul Garr
12.	Water Superintendent	Scott Miele
13.	Open Records Officers	Jacqueline Rowand
		Lt. Zeigler
14.	Tax Hearing Officer	Stephanie J. Mason
15.	Solicitor	Jeffrey P. Garton
		Begley, Carlin & Mandio
16.	Engineer	Sean R. Torpey, PE
		Pennoni Associates, Inc.
17.	Planning Consultant	Judy Stern Goldstein
		Gilmore Assoc.
18.	Bike Hike Engineer	Chris Stanford
		Baker Engineering

# 19. Traffic Engineer

Matthew Johnston

Pennoni Associates, Inc.

Ms. Santacecilia inquired about the Water Superintendent. Ms. Lyons said there would be a change in March due to retirement.

### F. Appointments to Boards and Commissions for 2021

Ms. Santacecilia MOTIONED to approve the appointments to boards and commissions for 2021. Ms. Manion seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

Arborist (1 yr. term) Robert McMullin

Agriculture Security Area Advisory Council (1 yr. term)

Jeffrey Fehr

Marge Kohl
Bike / Hike Committee (3 yr. term)

Larry Gage

Dog Park Advisory Committee (3 yr. term)

EAC/Shade Tree Commission (3 yr. term)

Curtis Sawyer

Tanya Casas

Heidi Shiver

Jeannine Mitchell as

Chairman Joe Salvati

Friends of Kids Castle (3 yr. term)

(New) Local Traffic Advisory Committee (3 yr. staggered

term)

G.

Park and Recreation (5 yr. term) Paul DeNella Mary Ann

Bowman

Pension Advisory Committee (3yr. term) Edward Denton

Colleen Mullen Sinclair Salisbury Bill Mokriski Stephanie Mason Ken Wallace Gregory Reppa

Planning Commission (4 yr. term) Gregory Reppa

Jill Macauley

Public Water & Sewer Advisory Board (3 yr. terms)

Joseph Van Houten

Jenny Kimbel Wallace Pattyson Ed Ebenbach

Telecommunications Advisory Board (3 yr. term)

Vacancy Board (1yr. term) Wallace Pattyson
Ways and Means Committee (3 yrs. term) Colleen Mullin

Joseph Volk Eric Cornwell William Lahr III

Zoning Hearing Board (3 yr. term)

Set 2021 Administrative Office Hours and Meeting Dates

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve the administrative office hours and meeting dates. Ms. Santacecilia seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

Set Administrative Office Hours:

Monday - Friday

8:30AM - 4:30PM

**Board of Supervisors** - meetings held at 7:00PM - 1/19, 2/16, 3/16, 4/6, 5/4, 6/15, 7/20, 8/17, 9/21, 10/19, 11/16, 12/21

Budget Work Sessions - meetings held at 5:00 PM - 4/6, 6/15, 9/21, 10/5, 10/19

Agricultural Security Advisory Committee - scheduled as needed

**Bike and Hike Committee** -meetings held at 8:00am -1/19, 2/16, 3/16, 4/20, May no mtg., 6/15, 7/20, 8/17, 9/21, 10/19, 11/16, 12/21.

**Dog Park Advisory Committee** - meetings held at 5:00pm - 1/11, 2/1, 3/1, 4/5, 5/3, 6/7, July no mtg, 8/2, 8/30, Sept no mtg, 10/4, 11/1, 12/6

**Environmental Advisory Council** - meetings held at 7:00pm - 1/12, 2/9, 3/9, 4/13, 5/11, 6/8, 7/13, 8/10, 9/14, 10/12, 11/9, 12/14

Friends of Kids Castle Committee - meetings held at 12:30pm - 1/25, 4/26, 7/26, 10/25 Historical Architectural Review Board - scheduled as needed

Local Traffic Advisory Committee - scheduled as needed

**Municipal Authority** - meetings held at 3:30pm - 1/21, 2/18, 3/18, 4/15, 5/20, 6/17, 7/15, 8/19, 9/16, 10/21, 11/18, 12/16

**Park & Recreation Board** - meetings held at 5:30pm - 1/12, 2/9, 3/9, 4/13, 5/11, 6/8, July no mtg, 8/10, 9/14, 10/12, 11/9, Dec no mtg

**Pension Advisory Committee** - meetings held at 4:30pm - 1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10, 6/14, 7/12, 8/9, 9/13, 10/18, 11/8, 12/13

**Planning Commission** -meetings held at 7:00pm - 1/25, 2/22, 3/22, 4/26, 5/24, 6/28, 7/26, 8/23, 9/27, 10/25, 11/22, 12/15

**Public Water & Sewer Advisory Board** - meetings held at 5:30pm - 1/21, 2/18, 3/18, 4/15, 5/20, 6/17, 7/15, 8/19, 9/16, 10/21, 11/18, 12/16

**Telecommunications Advisory Board** - meetings held at 6:30pm - 1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10, 6/14, 7/12, 8/9, 9/13, 10/18, 11/8, 12/13

UCC Board of Appeals - scheduled as needed

Vacancy Board - scheduled as needed

**Ways and Means Committee** - meetings held at 7:00pm - 1/27, 2/24, 3/24, 4/28, 5/26, 6/23, 7/28, 8/25, 9/22, 10/27, Nov no mtg, 12/8

**Zoning Hearing Board** - Scheduled 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday - or as needed - 7:00pm

# H. Acceptance of Fire Police

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to accept the fire police as listed in Chief Logan's memo. Ms. Herring seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

# I. <u>Designation of Depository</u>

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve the Designation of Depository, Ms. Santacecilia seconded the motion. MOTION passed 5 - 0.

# J. Appoint Bucks County Tax Collection Committee Representatives

All Board of Supervisors members agreed.

Stephanie J. Mason - Representative Kenneth Wallace - Alternate Jennifer Herring - 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate

# K. <u>Certify delegates to State Annual Convention and establish one voting delegate:</u>

All Board of Supervisors members agreed that Ms. Herring would serve as the Voting Delegate.

Barbara N. Lyons - Delegate Ryan Manion - Delegate Jennifer Herring - Delegate Nancy Santacecilia - Delegate

Dan Wood - Delegate

Stephanie J. Mason – Delegate

# L. Resolution #2267 – Amendment to Fee Schedule

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve Resolution No. 2267 amending the 2021 Fee Schedule. Mr. Wood seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

### M. Resolution # 2268 – 2021 Compensation / Professional Services

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve Resolution No. 2268 the 2021 Compensation and Professional Services. Ms. Santacecilia seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

### N. Set Current IRS Mileage Rate - effective January 1, 2021

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve the 2021 mileage rate. Ms. Santacecilia seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

### O. Designation of Official 2021 Township Holidays

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve designation of official 2021 Township holidays. Ms. Santacecilia seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

New Year's Day

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

President's Day

Good Friday

Primary Election Day

January 1- Friday

January 18 - Monday

February 15 - Monday

April 2 - Friday

May 18 - Tuesday

Memorial Day

May 31 - Monday

Independence Day (observance)

July 5 - Monday

Labor Day September 6 - Monday Columbus Day October 11 - Monday November 2 - Tuesday General Election Day Veterans' Day November 11 - Thursday November 25 - Thursday Thanksgiving Day after Thanksgiving November 26 - Friday Christmas (observance) December 24 - Friday New Year 2022 (observance) December 31 - Friday

# P. <u>Police Affairs Committee</u>

Ms. Santacecilia MOTIONED to approve the appointment of the 2021 Police Affairs Committee.

Ms. Manion seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

Director of Public Safety - Barbara Lyons

Board Members: Ryan Manion and Jennifer Herring

# Q. Recommend Treasurer's Bond - \$3,000,000.00

Ms. Manion MOTIONED the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors recommends the Treasurer's Bond to be set at \$3,000,000.00. Ms. Herring seconded MOTION passed 5-0.

#### III. NEW BUSINESS

# A. Swearing In of Police Officer – Brandon Ciliberto

Chief Logan indicated that he would like to recommend Brandon Ciliberto to be appointed to be an officer at Doylestown Township Police Department.

MOTION by Ms. Lyons to appoint Brandon Ciliberto to the Doylestown Police Department. Seconded by Ms. Manion. MOTION passed 5-0.

Ms. Lyons administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Ciliberto who was accompanied by his wife.

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#### V. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted by

Stephanie J. Mason Secretary C. Proposed Guidelines for Supervisors, Public Meetings, and Chairperson: 2021

Developed in accordance with 65 Pa.C.S.A., Section 701, et seq. known as the "Sunshine Act" and Robert's Rules of Order providing parliamentary procedure for the conduct of meetings. These Proposed Guidelines incorporate the Supervisors Guidelines approved for 2020 (Board of Supervisors Reorganization Meeting, January 6, 2020).

# Guidelines for Supervisors:

- Rights and Responsibilities of Members:
  - Receive notice of meetings
  - Attend meetings
  - Make and second motions
  - Be on time
  - Debate motions
  - Vote on motions
  - Know the meaning of the question being debated
  - Object when rules are violated
  - Not have to suffer personal attack
  - Have access to minutes of all meetings
  - Receive the treasurer's report
  - Receive all information available to facilitate decision making
  - Stay until the end of the meeting
  - Be informed
  - Be attentive
  - Be open-minded
  - Be prepared
  - Treat everyone with courtesy
  - Speak openly and allow others to speak openly
  - Follow the rules of debate
  - Make a point concisely
  - Attack issues, not people
  - Insist on law and order at meetings
  - Work to create dignity and decorum
  - Be familiar with the basic rules of parliamentary law
  - Serve as liaison to boards, committees, and commissions of the Township
  - Respect the rights of others
  - Abide by the final decision of the majority
  - Participate in committees
  - Respect the chair's opinions and rulings
  - Enhance the reputation of the Township

### II. Socializing

The supervisors are encouraged to congregate at various times and socialize in order to engender a spirit of cooperation and camaraderie so long as the gathering is not used for the purpose to deliberate Township business or otherwise take any official action.

#### III. Protocol

- a. In order to promote efficiency and not incur unnecessary fees, the Supervisors will direct questions and requests for assistance to the Township Manager and not the professional support staff.
- b. Issues and concerns from residents must first be directed to the Township Administration for resolution as soon as is practical; issues or concerns that cannot be resolved by the Administration, or otherwise require Board consideration, must be listed as an agenda item.
- c. Issues or concerns concerning the administration of Township business must first be directed to the Township Administration for resolution as soon as is practical; issues or concerns that cannot be resolved by the Administration, or otherwise require Board consideration, must be listed as an agenda item.
- d. Items pertaining to Township business or otherwise require Board consideration as listed in paragraphs B and C above will be added to a meeting agenda by presenting the item(s) to the Manager on or before 10:00 a.m. the Friday immediately preceding the meeting.
- e. In the absence of the chair and vice chair, the senior-most member present shall preside as chair.
- f. Liaisons unable to attend their meetings will make every attempt to contact their fellow Supervisors for a replacement, so all committees will have a Supervisor in attendance if possible.
- g. The Board shall meet in January of each New Year for reorganization at which time members may be appointed to serve as liaison to the following boards, committees, and commissions:

  Agricultural Security Advisory Board, Bike/Hike Committee, Doylestown Dog Park Advisory Committee, Environmental Advisory Council, Friends of Kids Castle, Municipal Authority, Parks and Recreation Board, Pension Advisory Committee, Personnel and Administration, Planning Commission, Public Safety, Public Water & Sewer Advisory Board, Roads and Bridges, Telecommunications Advisory Board, Traffic Advisory Committee and the Ways and Means Committee.

# **Guidelines for Public Participation in Board Meetings:**

- Prior to addressing the board, all speakers should state their name and address and organizational affiliation, if any
- Questions and comments should be addressed to the entire board, not to individual members or to the chair
- Questions and comments should be confined to the specific topic under discussion
- Each speaker will limit his/her comments to two minutes
- Speakers are requested not repeat points already made by previous speakers
- It is expected that speakers will observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, and civility; resorting to personalities or the use of abusive, intemperate or defamatory language will be ruled out of order
- Written statements will be received by the board in lieu of, or in addition to, oral presentation
- On controversial issues, speakers for and against a given topic may be recognized alternately by the chair

# Guidelines for Chairperson- Chair's Responsibilities and Duties

- Preside at all meetings of the Board of Supervisors
- Open the meeting at the specified time
- Help prepare the meeting agenda
- Make sure that there is a quorum
- Announce the business and the order in which it will be considered
- State and put motions to a vote
- Announce the results of all votes
- Conduct an orderly debate
- Apply the rules of parliamentary procedure
- Enforce the rules of decorum
- Avoid wasting time
- Make the business of the meeting run as smoothly as possible
- Declare the meeting adjourned when all business has been concluded
- Announce any known meetings of the Board of Supervisors at the beginning and end of each meeting
- Help members to follow parliamentary law
- Make sure that a motion has been made and seconded before discussion
- Encourage all members to participate freely in debate
- Consider only one main motion at a time
- Resolve each motion fully before moving on in the agenda
- Keep in mind that the person who made the motion is entitled to speak first
- Give one person the floor at a time
- Restrict debate to the motion on the floor
- Act in a tactful, fair, and polite manner

- Encourage people to identify themselves before they speak
- Check to make sure that everyone knows and understands the question being debated
- Make sure that personalities remain out of the debate
- Refer complex issues to committees for additional information beginning and end of each meeting
- End all meetings by 10:00 p.m.