

Chairman Brian Merdian on Tuesday January 2, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building called the Reorganization Meeting of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors to order as advertised in the Tribune Review on Tuesday December 29, 2017. The members of the Board of Supervisors present were Brian Merdian, Joseph Kerber, and Mark Petros. Also attending the meeting were Kathy Kerber, Jim Harvey, Jack McWilliams, Ann McWilliams, Linda Harvey, Sandy Dull, Tracy Hampshire, Tom Lord, Jill Petros, Attorney Kansler, Janet Schork, Debi Pils and Erika Horvat.

Mr. Kerber led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to appoint Brian Merdian as Temporary Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros called for nominations for Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors. Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Joe Kerber, to appoint Joe Kerber as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber called for nominations for Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors. Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to appoint Brian Merdian as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 1-2018 reappointing Erika Horvat as Office Manager and Secretary-Treasurer of the Township of Sewickley until the Reorganization Meeting to be held on Monday, January 7, 2019. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment - None

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 2-2018 setting the compensation and benefits for the Office Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Township of Sewickley as follows: This shall be effective January 1, 2018.

- \$ 15.50 regular hourly wage up to 40 hours per week
- \$ 23.25 overtime wage
- 11 paid holidays
- 2 weeks plus a day paid vacation
- 3 paid sick days
- 3 paid personal days

She elects to take the healthcare buyout and waives all major medical, dental, and vision insurance. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 3-2017 reappointing Joe Kerber as Roadmaster for the Township of Sewickley. This shall be effective January 1, 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 4-2018 reappointing Debi Pils as Assistant-Secretary for the Township of Sewickley until the Reorganization Meeting to be held on Monday, January 7, 2019. Her compensation and benefits are as follows: These rates shall be effective January 1, 2018.

- \$ 15.50 regular hourly wage up to 40 hours per week
- \$ 23.25 overtime wage
- 11 paid holidays
- 2 weeks plus a day paid vacation
- 3 paid sick days
- 3 paid personal days

She elects to take the healthcare buyout and waives all major medical, dental, and vision insurance. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to adopt Resolution No. 5-2018 setting the compensation of the following Township of Sewickley employees until the Reorganization Meeting to be held on Monday, January 7, 2019 and setting their compensations as follows. These rates shall be effective January 1, 2018.

Susan Leukhardt, Township Clerk - \$13.75 per hour
Janet Schork, Recreation Director - \$14.50 per hour
Yvonne Shawl, Assistant Recreation Director - \$12.25 per hour
Roger Anthony, Recreation/Crabapple/Township Maintenance - \$11.50 per hour
Tracy Hice, Township Building Cleaning Services - \$11.50 per hour

Mr. Kerber stated he is abstaining from the vote because a relative is an employee.

Voting: Mr. Merdian, yes; Mr. Kerber, abstain; Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to set the Treasurer's Bond at \$2,000,000 with H.A. Thomson for a premium of \$2,486.00. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to retain The Law Offices of Tremba, Kinney, Greiner, & Kerr, LLC as Solicitor for the Township of Sewickley. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to retain Gibson-Thomas Engineering Co., Inc. as Engineer for the Township of Sewickley. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to adopt Resolution No. 6-2018 reappointing Mike Stack as the Building, Sewage, and Zoning Officer for the Township of Sewickley. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 7-2018 reappointing George Thomas Lord as Chairman of the Vacancy Board to the Township of Sewickley. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 8-2018 reappointing Glen Wees as the Township of Sewickley's Emergency Management Coordinator. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 9-2018 reappointing Rich Bosko to the Municipal Sewage Authority of the Township of Sewickley for a term of five (5) years. This term shall expire the first Monday of January, 2023. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 10-2018 reappointing Michael Ulyan to the Sewickley Township Zoning Board for a term of five (5) years. This term shall expire the first Monday of January, 2023. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 11-2018 reappointing Randall Walter to the Sewickley Township Planning Commission for a term of four (4) years. This term shall expire the first Monday of January, 2022. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to adopt Resolution No. 12-2018 reappointing Tom Lash to the Sewickley Township Cultural Commission for a term of four (4) years. This term shall expire the first Monday of January, 2022. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to appoint the following authorized representatives to make purchases from the Federal Surplus Property Program:

Joe Kerber
Brian Merdian
Mark Petros

Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to notify the Pennsylvania State Police and 911 of the persons to be notified in case of an emergency after business hours as:

(1) Joe Kerber
(2) Brian Merdian
(3) Mark Petros

Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 13-2018 appointing Joe Kerber as the Official Contact Person for the Commercial Driver's License Drug and Alcohol Program. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to appoint Joe Kerber as the representative and Brian Merdian as the alternate representative for the Township of Sewickley at the Central Westmoreland Council of Government meetings. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to appoint Joe Kerber as the representative and Brian Merdian as the alternate representative for the Township of Sewickley at the Indiana-Westmoreland Council of Government meetings. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to reappoint First National Bank of Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust as depositories for the Township of Sewickley. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to appoint Joe Kerber, Brian Merdian, and Mark Petros as delegates to the 96th Annual State Convention of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors' along with one (1) office staff employee to be selected later, to be held April 23, 2018 to April 26, 2018 at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center and to direct that delegates be paid their regular wage, if any, from the Township of Sewickley while attending the conventions. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to appoint Joe Kerber as the voting delegate for the Township of Sewickley at the PSATS Annual Convention. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No 14-2018 establishing the allowable mileage rate established by the Internal Revenue Service at \$.54.5 cents per mile. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros authorizing the proper officials to pay payroll and those bills at discount or that accrue penalties between meetings. Bills paid through this procedure shall be presented at the next regular meeting for subsequent approval. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

New / Old Business

Mrs. Dull asked what we get paid mileage for. Mr. Kerber explained anytime we use our personal vehicles for township business, like when I go out to check roads in the middle of the night if we have snow. Mr. Kerber stated he does not take the township truck home. Mr. Kerber stated that right now the township truck was in an accident and not drivable. I don't want to elaborate on this too much, but ever

since I was accused of stealing fuel, I don't feel comfortable taking the township truck home. Mr. Kerber stated that if I am here working and the truck is available I will take it to do things like pick up parts. Mrs. Dull asked, so you just take your vehicle to home and back, you don't use it here. Mr. Kerber stated that we have been using it an awful lot lately because the township truck is down. Mrs. Dull asked if we keep a log. Mr. Kerber stated yes and one of the other supervisors has to sign and approve the log.

Mr. Kerber would like to welcome Mark to the board.

With no further business to come before the Board, Brian Merdian made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark Petros. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Petros; yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Erika Horvat
Secretary-Treasurer