

Chairman Joe Kerber on Monday January 7, 2019 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 Friday, December 28, 2018. The members of the Board of Supervisors present were Brian Merdian, Joseph Kerber, and Mark Petros. Also attending the meeting were Kathy Kerber, Terri Couch, Jack McWilliams, Ann McWilliams, Brianna Merdian, Yvonne Merdian, Tracy Hampshire, Linda Harvey, Jim Harvey, Daryl Dermotta, Tom Lord, Sandy Lord, Alan Fossi, Janet Schork, Attorney Kansler and Erika Horvat.

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

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

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

Joe Kerber called for nominations for Vice-Chairman 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. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Joe Kerber to adopt Resolution No. 1-2019 reappointing Erika Horvat as Office Manager and Secretary-Treasurer of the Township of Sewickley until the Reorganization Meeting to be held on Monday, January 6, 2020. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Jack McWilliams would like to thank the Board of Supervisors for getting along. He stated that for eleven years the board wasn't getting along.

Linda Harvey had a question regarding motion number 16 on the agenda of the Regular monthly meeting. It is something new and would like to know what it is about. She stated in past years there has been different discussion on the new Recreation Center. Mr. Kerber stated that it is something that we are just looking into; it's nothing that is set in stone.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Joe Kerber to adopt Resolution No. 2-2019 setting the compensation and benefits for the Office Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Township of Sewickley as follows: This shall be effective January 1, 2019.

- \$ 16.50 regular hourly wage up to 40 hours per week
- \$ 24.75 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. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 3-2019 reappointing Joe Kerber as Roadmaster for the Township of Sewickley. This shall be effective January 1, 2019. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Pertos to adopt Resolution No. 4-2019 setting the compensation of the following Township of Sewickley employees until the Reorganization Meeting to be held on Monday, January 6, 2020 and setting their compensations as follows. These rates shall be effective January 1, 2019. Mr. Kerber stated he will abstain from the vote due to his family member being included in the motion.

- Susan Leukhardt, Township Clerk - \$14.25 per hour
- Janet Schork, Recreation Director - \$15.00 per hour
- Yvonne Shawl, Assistant Recreation Director - \$12.75 per hour
- Clint Strosko, Recreation/Crabapple/Township Maintenance - \$14.50 per hour
- Tracy Hice, Township Building Cleaning Services - \$12.00 per hour

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

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

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

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 5-2019 reappointing Mike Stack as the Building, Sewage, and Zoning Officer for the Township of Sewickley. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 6-2019 reappointing George Thomas Lord as Chairman of the Vacancy Board to the Township of Sewickley. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 7-2019 reappointing Glen Wees as the Township of Sewickley's Emergency Management Coordinator. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to adopt Resolution No. 8-2019 reappointing Ashley Lovelace to the Sewickley Township Zoning Board for a term of five (5) years. This term shall expire the first Monday of January, 2024. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 9-2019 reappointing Ann McWilliams to the Sewickley Township Planning Commission for a term of four (4) years. This term shall expire the first Monday of January, 2023. Mr. Kerber stated he will abstain from the vote due to Mrs. McWilliams being a family member. Voting: Mr. Kerber, abstained; Mr. Merdian, yes; Mr. Petros, yes. Motion carried.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 10-2019 reappointing Kelly Cipra to the Sewickley Township Cultural Commission for a term of four (4) years. This term shall expire the first Monday of January, 2023. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, 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. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Joe Kerber 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. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Joe Kerber adopt Resolution No. 11-2019 appointing Joe Kerber as the Official Contact Person for the Commercial Driver's License Drug and Alcohol Program. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Joe Kerber 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. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Joe Kerber 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. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to adopt Resolution No 12-2019 establishing the allowable mileage rate established by the Internal Revenue Service at \$.58 cents per mile. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian 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. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

New / Old Business

With no further business to come before the Board, Joe Kerber made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Brian Merdian. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian: yes; Mr. Petros, yes. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm.

Erika Horvat
Secretary/Treasurer