

**THORNBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
REORGANIZATION and REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF JANUARY 2, 2018**

Meeting Time: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Location: Thornburg Community Building, Library

Attendance: Council members Vinnie Coppola (2021), Sigo Falk (2021), Zane Long (2019), Mark Perrott (2021), Sam Runyon (2019), Tony Szmul (2021), and Ron Varga (2019) were present. Mayor Tom Mackin (2021) was present.

Mr Szmul, Notary Public, administered the oath of office to newly reelected mayor Tom Mackin.

Mayor Mackin administered the oath of office to the newly reelected members of Council: Vinnie Coppola, Sigo Falk, Zane Long, Mark Perrott, Tony Szmul, and Ron Varga.

Mayor Mackin called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Mackin asked for nominations for President of Council. Mr. Coppola made a motion to nominate Sigo Falk as President of Council. Mark Perrott seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

President Falk asked for nominations for Vice President of Council. Mr. Szmul made a motion to nominate Vinnie Coppola as Vice President of Council, which was seconded by Mr. Runyon. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Szmul made a motion to nominate Mark Perrott as President Pro Tem of Council, which was seconded by Mr. Runyon. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Long made a motion to appoint Lorraine Runyon as Vacancy Chair, which was seconded by Mr. Varga. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Coppola made a motion to appoint Lorraine Runyon as borough tax collector due to a vacancy in the office. Mr. Long seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 6-0, with Mr. Runyon abstaining.

Mr. Varga made a motion that council pass a resolution authorizing Ms. Runyon to deputize Jordan Tax Service as the collector of borough real estate taxes. Mr. Szmul seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Runyon made a motion to appoint Jordan Tax Service as the collector of all other borough taxes. Mr. Perrott seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Szmul made a motion that the following appointments and reappointments be made:

- Secretary/Treasurer – Dorothy Falk
- Solicitor – Chuck Means of Goehring, Rutter & Boehm
- Engineer – Ray Antonelli of NIRA Consulting Engineers
- Building Inspector – Bruce Graff of NIRA Consulting Engineers
- Zoning Officer – Bruce Graff of NIRA Consulting Engineers
- Newspaper of Record – Pittsburgh Post Gazette
- UCC Appeals Board – Ken Marino
- Zoning Hearing Board – Tom Mackin, Jr. and Joan Britten

Mr. Coppola seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

An auditor will be appointed at the February meeting.

Council was asked to consider nominations for the following continued vacancies for discussion at a subsequent meeting: Planning Commission (2), and UCC Appeals Board.

Appointment of Council Committees:

Mr. Runyon made a motion that council members serve on the following committees:

- Administration: Tony Szmul
- Budget and Finance: Sigo Falk and Sam Runyon
- Land Conservation and Resources: Zane Long
- Public Works/ Sewers: Vinnie Coppola
- Community Facilities: Ron Varga
- Public Relations: Mark Perrott

Mr. Szmul seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Mr. Runyon made a motion to dispense with reading the Minutes of December 11, 2017. Mr. Long seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Runyon made a motion to accept the Minutes of December 11, 2017. Mr. Long seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

No report.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Lorraine Runyon (Princeton) and Eileen Mackin (Cornell) were present to observe.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

No report.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

No report.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Ms. Falk was not present. Financial reports were provided for discussion.

Disbursements:

Mr. Long made a motion to approve the disbursements for January. Mr. Varga seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

Council verified that the 2018 Chartiers Valley Flood Control dues should be paid in the amount of \$782 with a letter affirming the rate specified in the original agreement.

A discussion was held regarding the fallen Mitchell tree. Council authorized Ms. Falk to invoice Mr. Mitchell for the removal of the tree.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration (Mr. Szmul): No report.

Budget and Finance (Mr. Falk, Mr. Runyon): No report.

Land Conservation/Resources (Mr. Long): No report

Public Works/Sewers (Mr. Coppola): No report.

Community Facilities (Mr. Varga): No report.

Public Relations (Mr. Perrott): No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Coppola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 pm, which was seconded by Mr. Runyon. The motion was unanimously approved.