

MINUTES

COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING

January 2, 2024

5:00PM Council Meeting

THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1. Call to Order by presiding officer
Moment of silence, Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call (if quorum is not present, the meeting shall thereupon be Adjourned to a specific date by the majority vote of those present)
3. Swearing in of newly elected officials
4. Nominations of officers
5. Review and approval of agenda.
6. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Agenda Items
7. Business Not Ready for Action or No Action Needed
8. Old Business
9. Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
10. New Business
11. Added Items
12. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items
13. Adjournment

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDING OFFICER: Mayor Tim Burke

ITEM 2. ROLL CALL (Attendance)

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS</u> <u>& MAYOR</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
JARRETT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
KARAFINSKI	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Chief of Police	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
LEARN	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Solicitor	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
LEWIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Engineer	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
MOCCIA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	DPW Foreman	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
TROIANI	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	Reporter(s)	<u>Pete Kendron (PE)</u>	
WOZNIAK	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Fire Chief	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
MAYOR BURKE	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
Borough Manager	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

ITEM 3. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS: Mayor Tim Burke

It was announced that all newly elected officials had been sworn in prior to the start of this meeting.

ITEM 4. NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS

1.) NOMINATIONS FOR **COUNCIL PRESIDENT:**

Councilpersons Jarrett and Learn Nominated Mr. Lewis

CLOSE NOMINATIONS: Motion Mr. Learn

Second Mr. Jarrett

VOTING FOR Mr. Lewis: Councilpersons Jarrett, Karafinski, Learn, Moccia and Wozniak

ABSTAINING: Mr. Lewis

Mr. Lewis named Council President by way of 5-0 vote in favor, with one abstention. Mr. Lewis assumed Council President chair and role as presiding officer of the meeting.

2.) NOMINATIONS FOR **COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT:**

Councilpersons Learn and Jarrett Nominated Ms. Wozniak

CLOSE NOMINATIONS: Motion Mr. Jarrett

Second Mr. Karafinski

VOTING FOR Ms. Wozniak: Councilpersons Jarrett, Karafinski, Learn, Lewis and Moccia

ABSTAINING: Ms. Wozniak

Ms. Wozniak named Council Vice President by way of 5-0 vote in favor, with one abstention.

ITEM 5. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion - None

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Mr. Jarrett

All in favor, agenda approved.

ITEM 6. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Agenda Items

None

ITEM 7. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

None

ITEM 8. OLD BUSINESS:

None

ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution No. 2024-01: Appointing the Environmental Review Certifying Officer

Discussion: It was noted that Mr. Lewis, as newly elected Council President, would be named as the environmental review certifying officer on this resolution.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Karafinski Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

All in favor, resolution approved.

ITEM 10. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to appoint **Frank Kepner of Kepner, Kepner and Corba** as the **BOROUGH SOLICITOR**.

Discussion: Mr. Moccia questioned if this could be advertised for other options. Borough Manager explained that it was important to appoint someone now, but that none of the appointments done at tonight's meeting were locked in for the two year period, only that someone needed to be named at the beginning of each two-year period.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Karafinski Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

Voting in favor were Councilpersons Lewis, Jarrett, Karafinski, Learn and Wozniak. Voting in opposition was Councilperson Moccia. Motion approved by way of 5-1 vote in favor.

2. Consider and take action to appoint **J.H. Williams** as the **BOROUGH AUDITOR**.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Ms. Wozniak Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

3. Consider and take action to designate **First Keystone Bank** as the **DEPOSITORY FOR BOROUGH FUNDS**.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Mr. Karafinski Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

4. Consider and take action to appoint **Quad 3** as the **BOROUGH ENGINEER**.

Discussion: Mr. Moccia questioned the ability to advertise for other options. Borough Manager noted the importance of appointing someone now, while confirming that tonight's appointment does not lock someone in for the entirety of this two-year term.

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Mr. Jarrett Approved,
Denied, Tabled

Voting in favor were Councilpersons Lewis, Jarrett, Karafinski, Learn and Wozniak. Voting in opposition was Councilperson Moccia. Motion approved by way of 5-1 vote in favor.

5. Consider and take action to establish the dates and times for Board and Commission meetings to remain the same as the prior year.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Ms. Wozniak Approved, Denied,
 Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

6. Consider and take action to appoint **Cassandra Mowery** as the **BOROUGH TREASURER** until January 7, 2026.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Moccia Second: Mr. Jarrett Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

7. Consider and take action to appoint **Damien Scoblink** as the **BOROUGH MANAGER** until January 7, 2026.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Ms. Wozniak Approved, Denied,
 Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

ITEM 11. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 12. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items

None

ITEM 13. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Mr. Karafinski

Meeting adjourned.