

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

January 1, 2013

The Phillipsburg Town Council conducted its Reorganization Meeting on Sunday, January 1, 2013 at 12:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 675 Corliss Avenue.

The required Open Public Meeting Act Statement was read by Council Vice President Bernie Fey.

INVOCATION By Councilmen Fey

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE By the Assembly

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmembers: Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

ABSENT: Lynn

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Wyant, Acting Clerk Kleiner,
Attorney Rich Wenner

SELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON-PRO-TEMPORE

Motion

Councilman Tersigni nominated Attorney Wenner to serve as Chairperson-Pro-Tempore. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner, which carried by a 4-0 vote, Councilmen Lynn is absent.

SELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Chairperson-Pro-Tempore called for nominations for the position of Council President.

Councilman Stettner nominated Bernie Fey, Jr. The nomination was seconded by Councilman Tersigni.

There being no further nominations, Councilman Piazza moved that nominations be closed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tersigni, which carried by a 4-0 vote. Councilman Lynn is absent.

The vote for the selection of Bernie Fey, Jr. as Council President carried by a 4-0 vote. Councilman Lynn is absent.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Wyant administered 'Oath of Office' to Bernie Fey, Jr., Council President.

SELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

Councilman Stettner nominated Todd M. Tersigni for the position of Vice President. The nomination was seconded by Council President Fey, which carried by a 4-0 vote. Councilman Lynn is absent.

The vote for the selection of Todd M. Tersigni as Vice President carried by a 4-0 vote. Councilman Lynn is absent.

CONFIRMATION OF MAYOR APPOINTMENTS

Mayor submitted the following appointments to Council for their confirmation:

The Law firm of Courter, Kobert & Cohen
 Richard Wenner, Town Attorney
 Christopher Troxell, Prosecutor
 Richard Hay, Fire Chief/Emergency Management Coordinator
 Mabel Cook, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator
 Richard Kranich, Deputy Fire Chief
 Stan Schrek, Van Cleef Engineering

Councilman Tersigni moved for confirmation of appointments. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

Motion carried by a 4-0 vote. Councilman Lynn is absent.
NEW BUSINESS Council Vice President Todd M. Tersigni congratulated Council President Bernie Fey on becoming Council President.

ORDINANCES

O: 2013-001 (FIRST READING)

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2013 SALARIES FOR UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES was introduced for first reading by Council Vice President Tersigni who moved that the ordinance be properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

RESOLUTIONS

R:2013-01

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR 2013 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL BUDGET ACT was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Vice President Tersigni.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R:2013-02

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR ADOPTION OF A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR DEBT SERVICE FOR THE YEAR 2013 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BUDGET ACT was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Vice President Tersigni.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R:2013-03

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE SEWER UTILITY FUND FOR 2013 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL BUDGET ACT was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R:2013-04

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR ADOPTION OF A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR DEBT SERVICE FOR THE YEAR 2013 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BUDGET ACT was introduced by Council Vice President Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R:2013-05

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MEETING DATES FOR YEAR 2013 was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R:2013-06

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES FOR VARIOUS ACCOUNTS OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG FOR YEAR 2013 was introduced by Council Vice President Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R:2013-07

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING NEWSPAPERS TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF MEETINGS was introduced by Council Vice President Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R:2013-08

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TOWN ATTORNEY AND/OR SPECIAL TAX COUNSEL TO EXECUTE STIPULATIONS, CORRECT ASSESSMENTS IN TAX COURT, FILE ADDED, OMITTED, OMITTED/ADDED ASSESSMENTS, ROLL-BACK TAX COMPLAINTS AND TAX APPEALS was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

R: 2013-009

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INTERFUND 2012 RESERVE APPROPRIATIONS was introduced by Council Vice President Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Current Fund	\$63,185.26
State & Federal Grants	3,475.06
Capital Fund	59,906.00
Sewage Utility Fund	3,137.86
 Total	 \$129,704.18

Approval of Bills was introduced by Council Vice President Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynn

PUBLIC PETITIONS

No Public Petitions

OPEN TIME

Councilmen Stettner said he wishes everyone a Happy New Year, and that we can keep the committees assignment the same, if someone wants to change that we can discuss that at the next meeting.

Councilman Piazza made a motion to add Mayor Harry Wyant to the Redevelopment entity as a committee person. The motion was seconded by Council Vice President Tersigni.

Council President Fey thanked previous Council President Piazza for a pronominal job that he did last year. He also thanked the Mayor for all his hard work that he did on the IR Tract, he deserves special Thanks.

Council Vice President Tersigni also Thanks the former President Piazza. Council Vice President Tersigni is honored to serve as Vice President and I will do the best job, thanks Mayor Wyant for keeping us up to date and so glad that he is on the committee with us.

Councilman Piazza wished the whole Town of Phillipsburg a very prosperous year. Councilman Piazza also Thanked Mayor Wyant and Attorney Wenner for all the work with the IR Tract.

Mayor Wyant stated that it took a lot of people and a lot of work to get this done. Rich Wenner did a tremendous job and we have a lot ahead of us. I know times are tough, but we can do it. I wish that Washington work as well as we do together.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Stettner moved for adjournment at 12:16 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

VICTORIA L. KLEINER
Acting Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

BERNIE FEY, JR.
Council President