

Borough of Beaver, PA
Special Council Meeting
June 1, 2017
Minutes

- A Special Meeting of Beaver Borough Council was held in the Community Room regarding the Council Vacancy. Called to order on June 1, 2017 at 7:00PM by President, Michael Deelo.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Meeting was properly advertised
- Council Representatives in attendance: Alex Andres, Michael Deelo, Ron Embaugh, Walt McDermott, James Perini, Alex Sebastian (arrived at 7:05PM), Pat Sims, Sean Snowden. Borough officials in attendance: Mayor Tom Hamilton, Chief Dan Madgar, Solicitor John Petrush, Solicitor Shannon Steele. Absent: Dan Deceder
- Visitors in attendance (signed in): Midge Sefton, Rick Sprecker

Public Participation –

- Officer Ken McCoy – An older framed photo of a Beaver Police Officer that was shot and killed on Taylor Avenue in 1935 was taken to Courtney-Laughlin Frame Studio & Gallery along with a copy of Saint Michael’s Prayer and police badges to have reframed. Payment was to be made from the Police Union. However, Courtney-Laughlin Frame Studio & Gallery refused payment and donated their time and frame to the borough.

New Business

Nomination of candidates to fill vacancy in Ward 1 –

- Mr. Deelo –
 - A vacancy exists on Beaver Borough Council resulting from the resignation of Walt McDermott. His term expires January 6, 2020. The remainder of the term is filled by appointment now through January 1, 2018 and then by Municipal election in November for the two year term January 2, 2018 through January 6, 2020.
 - Mr. McDermott resigned effective May 10, 2017 and Beaver Borough Council has 30 days to make an appointment. Otherwise, the decision is transferred to the Vacancy Board which is chaired by Midge Sefton.
 - While not required, Beaver Borough Council has a history of advertising for vacant positions on Council.
 - Procedure: Seconds are not required after a candidate is nominated. First person to receive the majority of votes will be assigned to the vacancy.
- Interviews of James Woolley and Jarrod Thomas
 - Nominations:
 - Mr. Embaugh nominated James Woolley
 - Mr. Snowden nominated Jarrod Thomas

Voting on nominated candidates –

- Mr. Woolley: Mr. Embaugh – Yes, Mr. Perini – Yes, Mr. Sims – No, Mr. Sebastian – Yes, Mr. Andres – No, Mr. Snowden – No, Mr. Deelo – No. (Yes votes, 3; No votes, 4)
- Mr. Thomas: Mr. Embaugh – No, Mr. Perini – No, Mr. Sims – Yes, Mr. Sebastian – Yes, Mr. Andres – Yes, Mr. Snowden – Yes, Mr. Deelo – Yes. (Yes votes, 5; No votes, 2)
- Mayor Hamilton swore in Mr. Thomas as Board Member serving Ward 1 with his term to expire January 1, 2018. Mr. Thomas signed the Affidavit of Residence and Oath of Office.
 - Signed copies are to be preserved by the Borough Secretary

Motion – Full time Administrative Assistant

Motion by Mr. Andres that Beaver Borough Council hire Lisa Champ as an Administrative Assistant as a full time employee at the rate of \$17.00/hour plus appropriate benefits, effective May 30, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Snowden. Voice vote passed 6-1. Mr. Embaugh – No. Mr. Deceder and Mr. Thomas Absent)

Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining Agreement for Beaver Borough Municipal Employees.

- No motions will be made after Executive Session

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Andres. Seconded by Mr. Perini. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 7:27PM

Submitted by Debbie Hindman