

Oakland Borough Council
Special Meeting Minutes
November 19th 2020

The Special Meeting of the Oakland Borough Council was called to order at 6:30 pm. Present at the meeting were Council members Valerie Senese, Brad Krayeski, Debra White and Patrick Gall. Solicitor John Martin was present as well. Council Vice President Valerie Senese presided over the meeting due to absences of Gary Boughton and Robert Muiter. Also absent were Mayor Randy Glover and Secretary Rhonda Parfitt.

No members of the community were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to accept the agenda was made by Pat Gall. An addition to the agenda was suggested by John Martin to add a policy to attach a copy of the advertisement for the special meetings to the minutes. A motion to accept the amended agenda was made by Pat Gall, seconded by Brad Krayeski. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion to select Council member Brad Krayeski to record the special meeting minutes was made by Valerie Senese, seconded by Debra White. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

It was reported that the Water Authority requested that Mr. William Mazikewich be reappointed for another term to the board. A Motion was made by Debra White to appoint Mr Mazikewich to the Water Authority Board, seconded by Pat Gall. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Discussion about the East Boyden Drainage project took place. Valerie Senese discussed the estimate we received from Garnett Excavation for \$11,000. Brad Krayeski had asked for clarification on the placement of the ditch and cross pipe. A Motion to accept Garnett Excavating's estimate and award him the job was made by Brad Krayeski, seconded by Debra White. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

No one had a nomination for the vacant Council seat. Discussion took place on what we should do to try and find a nomination. Discussion took place on advertising the position, John Martin agreed that putting an ad in a paper would be beneficial to Council if in fact the position couldn't be filled and had to be presented to the court of common pleas. A Motion was made by Pat Gall to place an ad in the paper to advertise for someone to fill the vacant seat, seconded by Debra White. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Discussion was made about the process and the thoughts of possibly reducing the size of Oakland Borough Council from 7 Council members down to 5 members. No action was taken on the matter.

There was no public comment due to the fact that there were no members of the public present.

John Martin suggested that keeping a copy of the advertisement used for the special meeting in the minutes is a good practice. A Motion was made by Brad Krayeski to make a policy that the advertisement used for all special meetings be attached to the meeting minutes. Seconded by Pat Gall. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A Motion for adjournment was made by Pat Gall and seconded by Debra White. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Meeting was Adjourned at 6:45pm.