

BOROUGH OF GORDON
2016 Reorganization Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2016

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The reorganization meeting of Gordon Borough Council was held on Monday, January 4, 2016. The meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the Gordon Municipal Building. Council persons present: Michael Rader, Richard Babb, Jason Quick, Jeffrey Hoffman, and Mayor George Brocius. Absent: Solicitor Christopher Riedlinger, Council persons Shannon Dumboski and Valerie Stitzer. Also present: Borough Manager/Secretary-Treasurer Paul Snyder, Assistant Linda Gately; Citizens Ramon Soto, Dom Puglia, Leo Rauber, and incoming councilman Brian Hansbury, plus Pottsville Republican-Herald reporter John Usalis.

Mayor George Brocius presided, calling the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. With a roll call to establish a quorum, newly elected/re-elected councilmen Brian Hansbury, Jason Quick and Jeffrey Hoffman were sworn in by Mayor Brocius using the oath of office.

Nomination by Hoffman of Michael Rader as Borough Council President/ Chief Executive Officer/Chair of Council; all in favor. The Mayor then turned the gavel over to Council President Rader to preside.

Nomination by Hoffman of Valerie Stitzer as Vice President; all in favor.

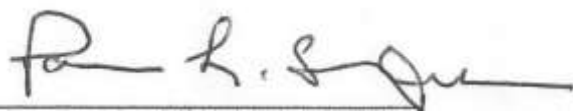
Nomination by Quick of Richard Babb for President Pro Tem, to preside in the absence of both council president and vice president. Babb declined the honor, but nominated Jason Quick for the position. All in favor.

Hoffman nominated Citizen Leo Rauber to fulfill the appointment as Vacancy Board Chair; all in favor.

Other Appointments:

- Hoffman motion to retain Borough Solicitor Christopher Riedlinger, Esq.; all in favor.
- Quick motion to retain Accounting/Auditing Firm Lettich & Zipay, CPAs; all in favor.
- Hoffman motion to retain Open Records Officer Paul Snyder; all in favor.
- Babb nominated Linda Gately as Secretary-Treasurer, with Quick voting in agreement with Babb. Motion failed to receive a majority. Hoffman motion to retain Borough Secretary-Treasurer Paul Snyder; Rader, Hansbury, and Hoffman voted in favor of Snyder – motion passed.
- Hoffman motion to retain Borough Manager Paul Snyder; all in favor.
- Quick motion to retain Borough Website Administrator PSAB; all in favor.
- Hansbury motion to retain EnTech Engineering as Borough Engineering Firm/SEO (Sewage Enforcement Officer); all in favor.
- Hoffman motion to retain Borough CEO (Code Enforcement Officer) Robin Ennis; all in favor.
- Hansbury motion to retain Schuylkill County Zoning; all in favor.
- Hansbury motion to retain Borough Building Inspector BIU of PA; all in favor.
- Hoffman motion to retain Borough Tax Collection Officers Stacy/Greg Lavas & Berkheimer; all in favor.
- Hansbury motion to retain Borough Bank Depositories Mid Penn Bank, Susquehanna Bank; all in favor.
- Quick motion to retain Borough Bank Signatories Michael Rader, Valerie Stitzer, Paul Snyder; all in favor.
- Hoffman motion to retain Sewage Delinquent Accounts Collector–Portnoff Law Associates; all in favor.

Hansbury questioned how often the borough council sought competitive bids for professional services, recommending all services should go out on bid regularly. Rader called for any New Business; seeing none, he asked for a motion, provided by Hansbury, to adjourn the Gordon Borough Council reorganization meeting at 6:35 p.m. All in favor.

Attest: 

Paul L. Snyder, Secretary-Treasurer January 4, 2016