

Terry Steinheiser opened Connoquenessing Township's "Organizational Meeting" at 4:00 p.m. on January 4, 2021 at the Connoquenessing Township Municipal Building. Present were Supervisors Terry Steinheiser, Edward Rupert and Ricky Kradel. Five people signed in on the public sign in record on file. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Prayer.

Steinheiser opened the meeting by asking the board if they were in agreement to keep their current positions for 2021. All agreed. Steinheiser asked if the board was happy with keeping the Secretary/Asst. Treasurer and Treasurer/Asst. Secretary? Steinheiser, yes. Rupert, yes. Kradel abstained.

Steinheiser asked the board for recommendations on the office girls receiving a pay increase? Rupert stated they do a good job and with the additional Sewer Authority work he recommends a raise. After discussing, Steinheiser motioned a 3% pay increase for the Secretary/Asst. Treasurer and Treasurer/Asst. Secretary. Rupert seconded. Roll call, Steinheiser, yes. Rupert, yes. Kradel abstained.

Rupert motioned to set Treasurer's bond at \$750,000 for both the Treasurer and Asst. Treasurer. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert motioned to appoint Kradel as roadmaster with his pay to be set by the elected auditors. Steinheiser seconded. Roll call, Steinheiser, yes. Rupert, yes. Kradel, abstained.

Rupert motioned to reappoint Andrew Menchyk, Jr. with the firm "Stepanian & Menchyk, LLP" as solicitor and Bill Braun from Senate Engineering as the Township's engineer. Steinheiser seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert motioned to reappoint Myrna Gordon to the Chairman of the Vacancy Board. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Steinheiser stated the Airport "Board of Adjustment" members 3 year term expired on December 31, 2020 need to be reappointed. Steinheiser stated one member Bernie Baker would not like to be reappointed and Brenda Davis has applied for the position. After discussion, Kradel motioned to reappoint the current four members who are Evelyn Hockenberry, Buddy Hindman, Paul Hartzell and Sue Hartzell and appoint new member Brenda Davis to the board. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert motioned to reappoint Ann Isaacs as the Township's interim tax collector at the same rate of \$1.00 per card. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Kradel motioned to reappoint Dave Ice for 2021 as Primary SEO and reappoint Doug Duncan as Alternate SEO. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert motioned to reappoint Dave Hazlet from Municipal Code Association as the Township's building permit inspector. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert motioned to appoint the Commercial Building Inspector to be whoever Municipal Code Association uses which is currently Commercial Code Inspectors (CCI). Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert motioned to reappoint Eugene Henry as Dog Officer at same rate of \$128.75/quarterly and \$30.00 dog pickup. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes. Rupert stated Sandi Cox is requesting a raise for the Code Enforcement Officer position. After discussing, Kradel motioned to reappoint Sandi Cox with a 5% pay increase. Steinheiser seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert stated his term on the Planning Commission has ended and a new member needs appointed for a 4 year term. Rupert stated Brendan Linton and Wayne Kaltenbaugh have applied for the position. After discussion, Rupert motioned to appoint Brendan Linton to a 4 year term on the Planning Commission. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert stated Terry Steinheiser's term on the Sewer Authority Board has ended and a new member needs appointed for a 5 year term. Rupert stated Lambert Rosenbaum and Wayne Kaltenbaugh have applied for the position. After discussion, Rupert motioned to appoint Lambert Rosenbaum to a 5 year term on the Sewer Authority Board. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Kradel motioned to retain Nextier Bank as the depository, seconded by Rupert. Roll call, yes.

Steinheiser motioned to appoint Kradel as the township's voting delegate at the State Convention in Hershey this year. Rupert, seconded. Roll call, Rupert, yes. Steinheiser, yes. Kradel, abstained.

Rupert motioned to reappoint Lee Kradel as delegate for the BCTCC. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Kradel motioned to reappoint Brenda Davis as the alternate delegate for the BCTCC. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert motioned to reappoint Lee Kradel as the BCATO representative. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Kradel motioned to approve 3 year contract with Maher Duessel through 2022 and appoint them as auditors for 2021 to audit the 2020 books. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

Steinheiser stated the road workers wage is set by the union contract.

Rupert motioned to set the monthly supervisor meetings for the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Building, seconded by Kradel. Roll call, yes.

Rupert stated the Planning Commission would like to change their meeting time from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for 2021. Motion made by Rupert to set the Planning Commission meetings for the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Building and the pay rate remains at \$50/mo. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Dan Cox asked the board if they appoint their executive committee member and alternate for the CVREMA at this meeting? Rupert stated, "no", they were appointed when the agreement was adopted and signed between Connoquenessing Township and the CVREMA.

Steinheiser mentioned holidays for the road workers are set by the union contract and motioned the Secretary/Asst. Treasurer and Treasurer/Asst. Secretary will follow the same. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes. The holidays listed on the agenda were:

New Years Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, either day after Thanksgiving or following Monday, 1/2 day Christmas Eve, Christmas Day

Steinheiser motioned the Secretary/Asst. Treasurer and Treasurer/Asst. Secretary to follow the same as road workers 5 personal days paid per year. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

Steinheiser motioned the Secretary/Asst. Treasurer and Treasurer/Asst. Secretary to follow the same as road workers 4 sick days per year. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

Rupert adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m. to the supervisors meeting. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.