

BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JANUARY 3, 2017

THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET FOR AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017, IN THE FOURTH FLOOR COMMISSION CHAMBERS OF THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY BAY COUNTY CLERK, CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK AT 4:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS AND GUESTS PRESENT.

ROLL CALL: COMMISSIONERS MICHAEL DURANCZYK, ERNIE KRYGIER, VAUGHN J. BEGICK, KIM COONAN, THOMAS HEREK, TOM RYDER, AND MICHAEL LUTZ

OTHER MEMBERS: CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, BAY COUNTY CLERK
DIANE YAWORSKI, SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY CLERK
ROBERT J. REDMOND, FINANCIAL ANALYST
DEANNE C. BERGER, BOARD COORDINATOR

ALSO PRESENT: JIM BARCIA, COUNTY EXECUTIVE
TIFFANY JERRY, PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYEE RELATIONS DIRECTOR
DEBRA RUSSELL, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR
JAN HISTED, FINANCE OFFICER
AMBER DAVIS-JOHNSON, CORPORATION COUNSEL
JUDGE DAWN KLIDA, BAY COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
VARIOUS ELECTED OFFICIALS
VARIOUS DEPARTMENT HEADS
NEWS MEDIA

INVOCATION: THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY THE BAY COUNTY CLERK, CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

JUDGE DAWN KLIDA: HON. DAWN KLIDA APPEARED TO ADMINISTER THE OATH INTO OFFICE. CONGRATULATIONS WERE OFFERED TO THE BOARD BY JUDGE KLIDA WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY HELD A COUNTY COMMISSIONER SEAT.

DESIGNATION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON TO CONDUCT ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION 1: COMM. DURANCZYK MOVED TO APPOINT COUNTY CLERK CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK AS TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL

MEETING OF THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2017. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. LUTZ AND ADOPTED BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - 2017

CHAIRMAN: TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON LUCZAK CALLED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD FOR 2017. COMM. DURANCZYK NOMINATED COMMISSIONER TOM HEREK WITH SUPPORT OF COMM. BEGICK. COMMISSIONER TOM HEREK ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION AND AFTER CALLING THREE TIMES FOR OTHER NOMINATIONS, THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

MOTION 2: COMM. DURANCZYK MOVED THAT NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF CHAIRMAN BE CLOSED AND THAT A UNANIMOUS BALLOT BE CAST FOR COMMISSIONER TOM HEREK TO SERVE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 2017. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK AND PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE: 7 YEAS: DURANCZYK, BEGICK, KRYGIER, COONAN, HEREK, RYDER, AND LUTZ. 0 NAYS.

VICE CHAIR: TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON CALLED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD FOR 2017. COMM. LUTZ NOMINATED COMMISSIONER MIKE DURANCZYK WITH SUPPORT OF COMM. COONAN. COMMISSIONER MIKE DURANCZYK ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION AND AFTER CALLING THREE TIMES FOR OTHER NOMINATIONS, THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

MOTION 3: COMM. LUTZ MOVED THAT NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF VICE CHAIRMAN BE CLOSED AND THAT A UNANIMOUS BALLOT BE CAST FOR COMMISSIONER MIKE DURANCZYK TO SERVE AS VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 2017. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK AND PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE: 7 YEAS: DURANCZYK, BEGICK, KRYGIER, COONAN, HEREK, RYDER, AND LUTZ. 0 NAYS.

SERGEANT: TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON LUCZAK CALLED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR SERGEANT AT ARMS OF THE BOARD FOR 2017. COMM. RYDER NOMINATED COMMISSIONER VAUGHN BEGICK WITH SUPPORT OF COMM. DURANCZYK. COMMISSIONER VAUGHN BEGICK ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION. THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS EVIDENCED DURING THE OPPORTUNITY GIVEN BY THE CLERK.

MOTION 4: COMM. DURANCZYK MOVED THAT NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF

SERGEANT AT ARMS BE CLOSED AND THAT A UNANIMOUS BALLOT BE CAST FOR COMMISSIONER VAUGHN BEGICK TO SERVE AS SERGEANT AT ARMS FOR THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 2017. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. LUTZ PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE: 7 YEAS: DURANCZYK, BEGICK, KRYGIER, COONAN, HEREK, RYDER, AND LUTZ. 0 NAYS.

WITH THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS COMPLETED, TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON, CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, TURNED THE MEETING OVER TO CHAIRMAN HEREK, FOLLOWING SOME CONGRATULATORY COMMENTS.

COMM. CHAIRMAN HEREK ACCEPTED HIS NEW ROLL AS CHAIR WITH
HEREK: APPRECIATION FOR THE SUPPORT OF HIS PEERS AND COMMENDED FORMER CHAIR KRYGIER FOR HIS PAST LEADERSHIP.

CITIZEN INPUT

CHAIRMAN HEREK OFFERED TO ACCEPT COMMENTS OF CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH THEIR CONCERNS.

BRANDON REGISTER OF DEEDS, BRANDON KRAUSE WELCOMED COUNTY EXECUTIVE
KRAUSE: BARCIA AND CONGRATULATED CHAIRMAN HEREK WHILE STATING HOW HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THEM ON THE ISSUES OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE.

JOSEPH OWNER OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 291 SOUTH RIVER ROAD, THE
HICKMONT: FLAMINGO MOTEL. IT HAS PROUDLY BEEN IN THE FAMILY SINCE 1973. AM GOING TO ASK YOU TO TAKE ON ONE MONUMENTAL TASK, WEED OUT THE CORRUPTION IN THIS COUNTY. IT HURTS BUSINESSES, PLEASE FOCUS ON WHAT WE HAVE HERE IN THE COUNTY RATHER THAN PIE-IN-THE-SKY DREAMS. IF YOU TAKE CARE OF WHAT YOU HAVE AT HOME PEOPLE WILL SEE IT AND COME. AS A PERSON WHO WORKS IN THE TOURISM INDUSTRY, WORK OUT OF MEMPHIS TENNESSEE. PLEASE FOCUS ON ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE TAXING THE PEOPLE OF BAY COUNTY. REALLY LOOK AT THEM, DON'T GIVE THEM A BLANK CHECK, WE NEED TO LOOK AT EACH ORGANIZATION.

COMM. A QUESTION FOR THE GENTLEMAN, YOU INSINUATED THAT THERE ARE
KRYGIER: ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS THAT ARE NOT CARRYING THERE WEIGHT.

JOSEPH THE BAY COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITOR'S BUREAU, WAS A GREAT
HICKMONT: ORGANIZATION TO BRING BUSINESS IN TO THE AREA BUT THEY ARE TAXING EVERY PERSON WHO STAYS IN A HOTEL. WE ARE SHIFTING THE

MOTEL INTO A NON-TRANSIENT PROPERTY, WITH VISITORS STAYING LONG TERM BUT WE ARE STILL REQUIRED TO TAX OUR OWN PEOPLE THE FIRST 30 DAYS OF THE YEAR, THE TAXES ARE THEN SENT TO SAGINAW COUNTY. THEY ARE AN INDEPENDENT AGENCY, BUT WHEN YOU TAX PEOPLE WHO COME TO BAY COUNTY, YOU SHOULD HAVE TO ANSWER TO SOMEONE HERE. BAY COUNTY HAS LOST MANY SUMMER FESTIVALS THAT BROUGHT PEOPLE INTO THE COUNTY AND STAYING IN LOCAL HOTELS, MEANWHILE WE HAVE SEEN BOTH SAGINAW AND MIDLAND COUNTY PROSPERING. WE HAVE SEEN NEW LARGE CHAIN HOTELS BEING BUILT IN THE AREA BUT TO THE DETRIMENT OF THE SMALLER BUSINESSES. WHEN QUESTIONING THE BAY COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITOR'S BUREAU ABOUT THINGS ACCORDING TO STATUE THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING, I HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THEY DO NOT HAVE TO GIVE ME THE REQUESTED INFORMATION. THIS ORGANIZATION NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT. IF THEY ARE TAKING TAX DOLLARS, THEY NEED TO FOCUS ON BAY COUNTY.

WANDA BEHMLANDER: WANDA BEHMLANDER, PRESIDENT OF LOCAL 15157, UNITED STEEL WORKERS. WELCOMING THE NEW COMMISSIONER AND THE NEW COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND HOPPING THAT MOVING FORWARD WE CONTINUE OUR STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BUILD A NEW RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CURRENT COUNTY EXECUTIVE.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION 5: COMM. DURANCZYK MOVED TO RECEIVE THE LIST OF AUTHORIZED DEPARTMENT HEADS AS PRESENTED BY TIFFANY JERRY, DIRECTORY, PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, IN A LETTER DATED DECEMBER 28, 2016. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK AND CARRIED BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

AUTHORIZED DEPARTMENTS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS UNDER P.A.139.

DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL DISPATCH - CHRISTOPHER IZWORSKI
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH - JOEL STRASZ
DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATION COUNSEL - AMBER DAVIS-JOHNSON
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND FACILITIES - CRISTEN GIGNAC
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - DEBRA RUSSELL
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER - BRUCE MANNIKKO
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - LAURA OGAR

DEPARTMENT OF EQUALIZATION - RICHARD GRUBER
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYEE RELATION - TIFFANY JERRY
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - JAN HISTED
DEPARTMENT OF CHILD CARE SERVICES - JULIANN REYNOLDS
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING - RACHELLE ANDERSON
DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL DEFENSE - VACANT

MOTION 6: COMM. DURANCZYK MOVED TO RECEIVE BAY COUNTY TREASURER, RICHARD F. BRZEZINSKI'S COUNTY TREASURER'S PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND STATUS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. LUTZ AND ADOPTED BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

THERE WAS NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS

THERE WAS NO NEW BUSINESS.

MISCELLANEOUS

THERE WAS NO NEW MISCELLANEOUS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE WERE NO ANNOUNCEMENTS.

RECESS/ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 7: COMM. DURANCZYK MOVED TO ADJOURN THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2017. THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 4:25 P.M. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK AND ADOPTED BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

TOM HEREK, CHAIRMAN
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