



Luzerne County Council
November 12, 2019
Council Meeting Room
Luzerne County Courthouse
200 N. River Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

Minutes
November 12, 2019 Voting Session

Call to Order

The Luzerne County Council convened for a Voting Session in the Council Meeting Room of the Luzerne County Courthouse on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at 6:01 PM. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Jane Walsh Waitkus.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Ms. Waitkus announced the Pledge of Allegiance will be led by Girl Scout Troop 32906.

Roll Call

Present

Patrick M. Bilbow
Harry Haas (via phone)
Linda McClosky Houck
Rick Morelli
Chris Perry
Sheila Saidman, Esq.
Robert Schnee
Stephen A. Urban (arrived at 6:05PM)
Matthew Vough
Jane Walsh Waitkus

Also Present

C. David Pedri, Esq., County Manager
Romilda P. Crocamo, Chief County Solicitor
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

Absent

Tim McGinley

Recognitions/Ceremonial Proclamations

Ms. Waitkus read a proclamation for Sam-Son Productions/SSPTV. The Lesante Family, which was presented by Mr. Morelli on Election Night.

Mr. Stephen A. Urban arrived at 6:05 PM

Additions to/Deletions from Voting Session Agenda

Motion to remove the Retirement Board Appointment from the agenda: Ms. Houck

Second: Mr. Vough

Vote:

Ten (10) Ayes – Unanimous

The Retirement Board Appointment is removed from the agenda.

Adoption of Voting Session Agenda

Motion to Adopt: Ms. Houck

Second: Mr. Schnee

Vote:

Ten (10) Ayes – Unanimous

The Voting Session Agenda is Adopted (10-0)

Public Comment on Voting Session Agenda Items

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Motion to adopt minutes of the October 22, 2019 Voting Session

Motion by: Ms. Saidman

Second: Mr. Morelli

Vote:

Nine (9) Ayes by Mr. Bilbow, Mr. Haas, Ms. Houck, Mr. Morelli, Mr. Perry, Ms. Saidman, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Vough and Ms. Waitkus

One (1) Nay by Mr. Stephen A. Urban

Motion Passed (9-1)

The October 22, 2019 Voting Session Minutes are Adopted

Motion to adopt minutes of the October 29, 2019 Special Voting Session

Motion by: Ms. Houck

Second: Mr. Vough

Vote:

Nine (9) Ayes by Mr. Bilbow, Mr. Haas, Ms. Houck, Mr. Morelli, Mr. Perry, Ms. Saidman, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Vough and Ms. Waitkus

One (1) Nay by Mr. Stephen A. Urban

Motion Passed (9-1)

The October 29, 2019 Special Voting Session Minutes are Adopted

1. Retirement Board Appointment

Removed

Public Comment

Anne Davies (Dallas) commented on voting machines and the companies providing them.

Joe McCabe (Exeter) stated West Wyoming received a grant from Mohegan Sun and wanted to know if the lobbyist group that received a payment from the grant was the same lobbyist group retained by the County. Mr. Pedri responded he did not believe the County's lobbyist group represented West Wyoming and would check on it.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Stephen A. Urban

Second: Ms. Saidman

Vote:

Ten (10) Ayes - Unanimous

Meeting Adjourned at 6:16 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Lawrence
Clerk of Council

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