



**Luzerne County Council  
Voting Session  
February 22, 2022  
Council Meeting Room  
Luzerne County Court House  
200 N. River Street  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701  
AND  
Video/Teleconference via ZOOM**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

The Luzerne County Council convened for a Voting Session in the Council Meeting Room of the Luzerne County Courthouse on February 22, 2022 at 6:01 PM. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kendra M. Radle.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence**

**Roll Call**

**Present**

Kevin Lescavage  
John Lombardo  
Lee Ann McDermott  
Chris Perry  
Kendra M. Radle  
Robert Schnee  
Brian Thornton  
Stephen J. Urban  
Gregory S. Wolovich, Jr.

**Also Present**

Romilda P. Crocamo, Esq., Acting County Manager (virtually)  
Shannon Crake-Lapsansky, Acting County Solicitor (virtually)  
Vito DeLuca, Esq., Assistant Solicitor (virtually)  
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

**Absent**

Tim McGinley

## **Recognitions and Ceremonial Proclamations**

NONE

## **Deletions from Voting Session Agenda**

**Mr. Lescavage would like to delete items 4 & 5 from the Voting Agenda.**

**Motion to delete item 4 by: Mr. Lescavage**

**Second: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Roll Call Vote to delete item 4:**

Four (4) Yes by Mr. Lescavage, Mr. Thornton, Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

Five (5) No by Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle and Mr. Schnee

**Motion Failed (4-5)**

**Motion to delete item 5 by: Mr. Lescavage**

**Second: Mr. Wolovich**

**Roll Call Vote to delete item 5:**

Eight (8) Yes by Mr. Lescavage, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Thornton, Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

One (1) No by Mr. Lombardo

**Motion Passed (8-1)**

**Item 5 is removed from the Voting Agenda**

## **Adoption of Voting Session Agenda**

**Motion to Adopt Voting Session Agenda by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second: Mr. Thornton**

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**The Voting Session Agenda is Adopted**

## **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

**WRITTEN** comments are submitted electronically via EMAIL or ZOOM. A copy of the full written comment for each speaker is posted under the corresponding meeting agenda. **VERBAL** comments can be heard in their entirety by accessing the public comment portion of the meeting recording posted next to the meeting agenda.

**Theodore John Fitzgerald (Wilkes-Barre) commented Verbally regarding** fiscal responsibility, funding and removal of Public Comment.

**Ron Knapp (Nanticoke) commented Verbally regarding** the Flood Protection Authority and NEPA Land bank funding and Public Comment.

**Alyssa Fusaro (Hazleton) commented Verbally regarding** appointment to the Board of Elections.

**Agenda Items**

**Motion to adopt minutes of the February 08, 2022 Voting Session**

**Motion by:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Eight (8) Ayes by Mr. Lescavage, Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Thornton and Mr. Wolovich

One (1) Nay by Mr. SJ Urban

**Motion Passed (8-1)**

**The February 08, 2022 Voting Session Minutes are Adopted**

**1. Motion to adopt ordinance Amending the 2022 Fiscal Year Budgets for Luzerne County (State Facility Closure)**

**Motion by:** Mr. Perry

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Motion to Table by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lescavage

**Roll Call Vote to Table:**

Two (2) Yes by Mr. Lescavage and Mr. SJ Urban

Seven (7) No by Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Thornton and Mr. Wolovich

**Motion Failed (2-7)**

**Roll Call Vote to Adopt:**

Six (6) Yes by Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee and Mr. Thornton

Three (3) No by Mr. Lescavage, Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

**Motion Failed (2-7)**

**Ordinance is Adopted**

**2. Motion to adopt resolution Amending Resolution 2021-52 Setting Compensation Rates for Municipal Elected Tax Collectors and Home Rule Municipalities for the Billing and Collecting of Luzerne County Taxes Effective January 1, 2022**

**Motion by:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Ms. McDermott would like to amend the resolution.**

**Motion to remove paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 and Change “will” to “can” by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Roll Call Vote to Amend:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Amended**

**Roll Call Vote to Adopt:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**3. Motion to introduce ordinance Amending the 2022 Fiscal Year Budgets for Luzerne County (Convention & Visitors)**

**Motion by:** Mr. Wolovich

**Second:** Mr. Lescavage

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Ordinance is Introduced**

**4. Motion to introduce ordinance Amending the 2022 Fiscal Year Budgets for Luzerne County (ERA)**

**Motion by:** Mr. Schnee

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Seven (7) Yes by Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Thornton and Mr. Wolovich

Two (2) No by Mr. Lescavage and Mr. SJ Urban

**Motion Passed (7-2)**

**Ordinance is Introduced**

**~~5. Motion to adopt resolution Authorizing the Distribution of American Rescue Plan Act Funds to Luzerne County Small Business~~**

**REMOVED**

**6. Motion to approve Amicus Brief**

**Motion by:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**7. Motion to approve County Manager Selection Process**

**Motion by:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**8. Motion to adopt resolution Authorizing the Use of American Rescue Plan Act Funds for Flood Protection Authority Projects**

**Motion by:** Mr. Schnee

**Second:** Mr. Lescavage

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**9. Motion to approve resolution Authorizing the Use of American Rescue Plan Act Funds by the Northeast Pennsylvania Land Bank Authority**

**Motion by:** Mr. Wolovich

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**10. Motion to amend Bylaws (remove 2<sup>nd</sup> public comment from Voting Session)**

**Motion by:** Mr. Thornton

**Second:** Mr. Perry

**Motion to Table by:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Roll Call Vote to Table:**

Five (5) Yes by Mr. Lescavage, Mr. Lombardo, Mr. Schnee, Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

Four (4) No by Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle and Mr. Thornton

**Motion Passed (5-4)**

**Resolution is Tabled**

**11. Luzerne County Council Vacancy Nominations and Appointment**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Carl Bienias

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Roll Call Vote to adopt resolution Filling the Vacancy of the Elected Position of County Council Member (Bienias):**  
Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous  
**Motion Passed (9-0)**  
**Resolution is Adopted**

**12. Council Nominations and Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

**12a. CANDO**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Chris Perry

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a County Council Member to the Greater Hazleton CAN DO Board of Directors (Perry) by:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**12b. Luzerne Conservation Board**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. SJ Urban nominated:** Greg Wolovich

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a County Council Member to the Luzerne Conservation District Board of Directors (Wolovich) by: Mr. Lombardo**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**12c. Riverfront Parks**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Kevin Lescavage

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a County Council Member to the Wilkes-Barre Riverfront Parks Committee (Lescavage) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**12d. Blighted Property Review Committee**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. SJ Urban nominated:** Greg Wolovich

**Second:** Mr. Perry

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a County Council Member to the Blighted Property Review Committee (Wolovich) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**12e. County Cares Commission (2)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Mr. Schnee**

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Chris Perry

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Ms. McDermott nominated:** John Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a County Council Member to the County Cares Commission (Perry) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a County Council Member to the County Cares Commission (Lombardo) by: Mr. Wolovich**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes - Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**



**13. Nominations and Appointments to Authorities**

**13a. Convention Center Authority (5)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Lori Spencer

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Guillermo Lara

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** John Pickering

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Mr. Perry nominated:** Robert Bertoni

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Frank Orloski

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. Wolovich

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Roll Call Vote (5 names):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Lara, Pickering, Bertoni and Orloski

**Mr. Lombardo:** Spencer, Lara, Pickering, Rucko and Orloski

**Ms. McDermott:** Spencer, Lara, Pickering, Rucko and Bertoni

**Mr. Perry:** Spencer, Lara, Pickering, Rucko and Bertoni

**Ms. Radle:** Spencer, Lara, Pickering, Rucko and Orloski

**Mr. Schnee:** Spencer, Lara, Pickering, Rucko and Orloski

**Mr. Thornton:** Spencer, Lara, Pickering, Rucko and Orloski

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Spencer

**Mr. Wolovich:** Spencer, Lara, Pickering, Rucko and Orloski

**Results:**

**Spencer 8**

**Lara 8**

**Pickering 8**

**Ruckno 7**

**Bertoni 3**

**Orloski 6**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention Center Authority (Spencer) by: Mr. Lombardo**

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Eight (8) Yes by Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Thornton, Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

One (1) Abstention by Mr. Lescavage

**Motion Passed (8-0) with (1) Abstention**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention Center Authority (Lara) by: Mr. Wolovich**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention Center Authority (Pickering) by: Mr. Wolovich**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention Center Authority (Ruckno) by: Mr. Thornton**

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention Center Authority (Orloski) by: Mr. Wolovich**

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

### **13b. Housing Authority**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Ms. McDermott nominated: Daniel Siani**

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Vincent Fayock  
**Second:** Mr. Perry  
**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. Wolovich  
**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Roll Call Vote (1 name):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Siani

**Mr. Lombardo:** Siani

**Ms. McDermott:** Siani

**Mr. Perry:** Fayock

**Ms. Radle:** Siani

**Mr. Schnee:** Fayock

**Mr. Thornton:** Siani

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Siani

**Mr. Wolovich:** Siani

**Results:**

**Siani 7**

**Fayock 2**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Housing**

**Authority (Siani) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**13c. Redevelopment Authority**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Rick Williams

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** John Pekarovsky

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. Wolovich

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Roll Call Vote (1 name):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Williams

**Mr. Lombardo:** Pekarovsky

**Ms. McDermott:** Pekarovsky

**Mr. Perry:** Pekarovsky

**Ms. Radle:** Pekarovsky

**Mr. Schnee:** Pekarovsky

**Mr. Thornton:** Pekarovsky

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Williams

**Mr. Wolovich:** Williams

**Results:**

**Pekarovsky 6**

**Williams 3**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Redevelopment Authority (Pekarovsky) by: Mr. Lombardo**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Seven (7) Yes by Mr. Lescavage, Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee and Mr. Thornton

Two (2) No by Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

**Motion Passed (7-2)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**13d. LCTA**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Ms. McDermott nominated:** Charles Sciandra

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Valerie Kepner

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Transportation Authority (Sciandra) by: Mr. Thornton**

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Transportation Authority (Kepner) by: Ms. McDermott**  
**Second:** Mr. Lombardo  
**Roll Call Vote:**  
Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous  
**Motion Passed (9-0)**  
**Resolution is Adopted**

#### **14. Nominations and Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

##### **14a. Luzerne Conservation District (2)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Tracey Chonko

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Thomas Herbert

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne Conservation District**

**Board of Directors (Chonko) by: Mr. Thornton**

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne Conservation District**

**Board of Directors (Herbert) by: Mr. Wolovich**

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14b. ACE Commission (1-R)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Thomas Mosca

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Accountability, Conduct and Ethics Commission (Mosca) by:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Six (6) Yes by Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Ms. Radle, Mr. Schnee and Mr. Wolovich

Three (3) No by Mr. Lescavage, Mr. Thornton and Mr. SJ Urban

**Motion Passed (6-3)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14c. Arts Advisory Board (2)**

**Motion to Open Nominations for a three (3) year term by:** Mr. Schnee

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Perry nominated:** Michele Millington

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Arts Advisory Board (Millington) by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to Open Nominations for a four (4) year term by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Howard Grossman

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Arts Advisory**

**Board (Grossman) by: Mr. Perry**

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14d. Board of Elections (1-D and 1-R)**

**Motion to Open Nominations (Democrat) by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Kathleen McCarthy

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Mr. SJ Urban nominated:** Danny Schramm

**Second:** Mr. Lescavage

**Mr. Perry nominated:** David Newman

**Second:** Ms. Radle

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to Open Nominations (Republican) by: Mr. Wolovich**

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. SJ Urban nominated:** Alyssa Fusaro

**Second:** Mr. Lescavage

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Richard Nardone

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. Wolovich

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Roll Call Vote (Democrat 1 name):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Schramm

**Mr. Lombardo:** Schramm

**Ms. McDermott:** McCarthy

**Mr. Perry:** Newman

**Ms. Radle:** McCarthy

**Mr. Schnee:** McCarthy

**Mr. Thornton:** Schramm

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Schramm

**Mr. Wolovich:** Schramm

**Results:**

**Schramm 5**

**McCarthy 3**

**Newman 1**

**Roll Call Vote (1 name):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Schramm

**Mr. Lombardo:** Schramm

**Ms. McDermott:** Schramm

**Mr. Perry:** McCarthy

**Ms. Radle:** Schramm

**Mr. Schnee:** McCarthy

**Mr. Thornton:** Schramm

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Schramm

**Mr. Wolovich:** Schramm

**Results:**

**Schramm 7**

**McCarthy 2**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Board of Elections and Registration (Schramm-D) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**



**Roll Call Vote (Republican 1 name):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Fusaro

**Mr. Lombardo:** Nardone

**Ms. McDermott:** Nardone

**Mr. Perry:** Nardone

**Ms. Radle:** Nardone

**Mr. Schnee:** Nardone

**Mr. Thornton:** Fusaro

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Fusaro

**Mr. Wolovich:** Fusaro

**Results:**

**Nardone 5**

**Fusaro 4**

**Roll Call Vote (1 name):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Fusaro

**Mr. Lombardo:** Nardone

**Ms. McDermott:** Nardone

**Mr. Perry:** Nardone

**Ms. Radle:** Nardone

**Mr. Schnee:** Nardone

**Mr. Thornton:** Fusaro

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Fusaro

**Mr. Wolovich:** Fusaro

**Results:**

**Nardone 5**

**Fusaro 4**

**Motion to Table by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Tabled**

**14e. Tax Assessment**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Michael Vacendak

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Board of Tax Assessment Appeals (Vacendak) by: Mr. Thornton**

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14f. County Cares Commission (2)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Mr. Lombardo**

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Ms. McDermott nominated:** Bonnie Wasilewski

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Mr. Perry nominated:** Ronald Knapp

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Cares Commission (Wasilewski) by: Mr. Thornton**

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Cares Commission (Knapp) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14g. Children & Youth (3)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Helene Elko

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Kathleen McCarthy

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Mr. Perry nominated:** Tiffany Spearman

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Children & Youth Advisory Board (Elko) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Children & Youth Advisory Board (McCarthy) by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Children & Youth Advisory Board (Spearman) by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14h. LCCC (2)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Robert Bertoni

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Mr. Lescavage nominated:** Joseph Esposito

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Lescavage

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees (Bertoni) by:** Mr. Thornton

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees (Esposito) by:** Mr. Wolovich

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Roll Call Vote:**

Eight (8) Yes by Mr. Lescavage, Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. Perry, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Thornton, Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

One (1) Abstention by Ms. Radle

**Motion Passed (8-0) with (1) Abstention**

**Resolution is Adopted**

#### **14i. Convention and Visitors Bureau (3)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Tony Brooks

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Ms. McDermott nominated:** Amanda Cromer

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Barry Tenenbaum

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors (Brooks) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors (Cromer) by: Mr. Wolovich**

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors (Tenenbaum) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14j. Farmland (2)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by: Ms. McDermott**

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Jon Lucas

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Ms. McDermott nominated:** Linda Thoma

**Second:** Mr. Schnee

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Farmland Preservation Board (Lucas) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne County Farmland Preservation Board (Thoma) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14k. Aging (3)**

**Motion to Open Nominations by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Dominick Trombetta

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Ms. McDermott nominated:** Joanne Corey

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Noah Davis

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne/Wyoming Counties Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board (Corey) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne/Wyoming Counties Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board (Davis) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne/Wyoming Counties Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board (Trombetta) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**14l. MHDS (1-Nursing and 1-Developmental Services)**

**Motion to Open Nominations (Nursing) by:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Wolovich nominated:** Jillian Matyjevich

**Second:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Mr. Lombardo nominated:** Todd Hastings

**Second:** Mr. Perry

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Roll Call Vote (1 name):**

**Mr. Lescavage:** Matyjevich

**Mr. Lombardo:** Hastings

**Ms. McDermott:** Matyjevich

**Mr. Perry:** Hastings

**Ms. Radle:** Matyjevich

**Mr. Schnee:** Hastings

**Mr. Thornton:** Matyjevich

**Mr. Stephen J. Urban:** Matyjevich

**Mr. Wolovich:** Matyjevich

**Results:**

**Matyjevich 6**

**Hastings 3**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne-Wyoming Counties Mental Health and Developmental Services Program Advisory Board (Matyjevich) by:** Mr. SJ Urban

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Motion to Open Nominations (Developmental Services) by:** Mr. Wolovich

**Second:** Ms. McDermott

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Open**

**Mr. Schnee nominated:** Scott Crispell

**Second:** Mr. Lombardo

**Motion to Close Nominations:** Ms. McDermott

**Second:** Mr. Wolovich

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Nominations Closed**

**Motion to adopt resolution Appointing a Member to the Luzerne-Wyoming Counties Mental Health and Developmental Services Program Advisory Board (Crispell) by: Mr. SJ Urban**

**Second: Mr. Wolovich**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Nine (9) Yes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Resolution is Adopted**

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:**

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**Greg Brannan (Wright Township) commented Verbally regarding ARP funds and road repairs.**

**Martin Dartoe (Wilkes-Barre) commented Verbally regarding road repairs.**

**Andy Gegaris (White Haven) commented Verbally regarding ARP funds, road repairs and small business.**

**Ron Knapp (Nanticoke) commented Verbally regarding roads and the Government Study Commission.**

**Theodore John Fitzgerald (Wilkes-Barre) commented Verbally regarding material for meetings.**

**Carl Bienias (Hanover Township) commented Verbally regarding his appointment to Council.**

**Chair Radle read Public Comment Email from:**

**Mary Malone (Hazleton)**

**Walter Griffith (Trucksville)**

**John Newman (Nanticoke) commented Verbally regarding spreadsheets, the appointment to Council (Mr. Bienias) and the Flood Protection Authority Rebate.**



**Motion to adjourn:** Mr. Lombardo

**Second:** Mr. Thornton

**Vote:**

Nine (9) Ayes – Unanimous

**Motion Passed (9-0)**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Lawrence

Clerk of Council

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