



Luzerne County Council
June 26, 2018
Luzerne County Court House
Council Meeting Room
200 N. River Street
Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18711

Minutes
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, June 26, 2018 at 6:01 PM. The meeting was called to order by Chair Tim McGinley.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Roll Call

Present

Edward A. Brominski
Harry Haas
Linda McClosky Houck
Eugene Kelleher
Tim McGinley
Chris Perry
Sheila Saidman, Esq.
Robert Schnee
Stephen A. Urban (via phone until his arrival at 6:07)
Matthew Vough
Jane Walsh Waitkus

Absent

C. David Pedri, Esq., County Manager

Also Present

Romilda P. Crocamo, Esq., Chief County Solicitor
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

Recognitions/Ceremonial Proclamations

Mr. McGinley announced there was a proclamation in recognition of Children and Youth's Janice Reindel, who received the 2018 Independent Living Caseworker of the Year Award. Mr. McGinley noted the award was supposed to be presented at the last Council meeting but Ms. Reindel was away at a Conference receiving the award. Mr. McGinley read the proclamation and asked Janice Reindel and Joanne Van Saun, Director of Children & Youth Services, to come forward to accept the Proclamation. Ms. Van Saun spoke briefly and commended Ms. Reindel and her staff. Ms. Reindel spoke about her job and thanked Council for the award and for the opportunity to work with Children & Youth.

Mr. McGinley announced Barbara Dasilva, Case Manager Supervisor 1, retired from Aging. A letter of thanks and congratulations will be sent out to her from Council.

Additions to/Deletions from Voting Session Agenda

None

Adoption of Voting Session Agenda

Motion to Adopt: Mr. Kelleher

Second: Ms. Waitkus

Vote:

Eleven (11) Ayes – Unanimous

The Voting Session Agenda is adopted (11-0)

Old Business

None

New Business

1. Motion to adopt minutes of the June 12, 2018 Voting Meeting

Motion by: Mr. Kelleher

Second: Ms. Saidman

Vote:

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

Two (2) Nays by Mr. Brominski and Mr. Stephen A. Urban

Motion Passed (9-2)

The June 12, 2018 Voting Meeting Minutes are Adopted

2. Motion to adopt resolution depositing \$254,902.00 into the Reserve Fund

Motion by: Mr. Kelleher

Second: Mr. Stephen A. Urban

Mr. McGinley noted that Public Comment was inadvertently skipped and asked for Public Comment before the Roll Call Vote.

Public Comment

Charles Olah (Kingston) spoke about Old Business and stated that a while ago, he asked questions about the Records Retention Building in regard to square footage and costs and would like to receive that information.

Roll Call Vote (Item 2):

Eleven (11) Yes - Unanimous

Resolution is Adopted (11-0)

3. Motion to adopt ordinance authorizing an amendment to the 2018 Budget to Allow for a Transfer from the Reserve Fund (Public Defender)

Motion by: Mr. Perry

Second: Ms. Waitkus

Roll Call Vote:

Eight (8) Yes by Mr. Haas, Mr. Kelleher, Mr. McGinley, Mr. Perry, Ms. Saidman, Mr. Schnee, Mr. Vough and Ms. Waitkus

Three (3) No by Mr. Brominski, Ms. Houck and Mr. Stephen A. Urban

Ordinance is Adopted (8-3)

3. Motion to adopt resolution declaring a vacancy on the Luzerne County Convention Center Authority

Motion by: Mr. Kelleher

Second: Ms. Saidman

Roll Call Vote:

Eleven (11) Yes - Unanimous

Resolution is Adopted (11-0)

Public Comment

None

Motion to adjourn: Ms. Waitkus

Second: Mr. Schnee

Vote:

Eleven (11) Ayes – Unanimous

Meeting Adjourned at 6:20 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Lawrence

Clerk of Council

* Audio of this meeting can be found in its entirety on the County Council webpage <http://www.luzernecounty.org/county/luzerne-county-council> or by contacting the Office of the Clerk of Council at (570) 825-1634 or via email to sharon.lawrence@luzernecounty.org