



**Luzerne County Council
Special Meeting
August 29, 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 Special Meeting in the Council Meeting Room of the Luzerne County Courthouse on August 29, 2022 at 5:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kendra Radle.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Roll Call

Present

Carl Bienias (virtually)
Kevin Lescavage
John Lombardo
Lee Ann McDermott
Tim McGinley
Matt Mitchell
Chris Perry
Kendra M. Radle
Brian Thornton (virtually)
Stephen J. Urban
Gregory S. Wolovich, Jr.

Also Present

Randy Robertson, County Manager (virtually)
Harry Skene, Chief County Solicitor
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

Adoption of Special Meeting Agenda

Motion to Adopt Voting Session Agenda by: Mr. Lombardo

Second: Mr. McGinley

Vote:

Eleven (11) Ayes – Unanimous

Motion Passed (11-0)

The Special Meeting Agenda is Adopted

Public Comment on Special Meeting Agenda Item

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Special Meeting Agenda Item VERBAL Public Comments by:

Alyssa Fusaro (Luzerne)

Mark Rabo (Hazleton)

Gary Busch (Drums)

Walter Griffith (Trucksville)

Vivian Kreidler-Licina (Nescopeck)

Denise Davis (Black Creek Township)

Deborah Jordan (Sugarloaf)

Rick Davis (Black Creek Township)

Peter Ouellette (Pittston City)

Special Meeting Agenda Item EMAIL Public Comments by:

Cam Zola

Donna DePrisco (Hazleton)

Rebecca Elfman (Kingston)

Frank Polidora (Drums)

Claudia Glennan (Salem Township)

Cynthia Howe (Sugarloaf Township)

Ed Kimmel (Drums)

Maryann Polidora (Drums)

Nancy Zola (Luzerne County)

Wes Poole (Kingston)

Arlene Stagg (Conyngham)

Special Meeting Agenda Item

1. Motion to adopt resolution Authorizing the County Manager to Execute a Contract with Runbeck Election Services for the Purchase of a Mail Ballot Sorting System and Five Year Licensing and Service Agreement

Motion by: Ms. McDermott

Second: Mr. Perry

Motion to Recess: Mr. McGinley
Second: Mr. Wolovich
Vote:
Eleven (11) Ayes – Unanimous
Motion Passed (11-0)
Meeting recessed at 5:55 PM

Motion to Reconvene: Mr. McGinley
Second: Mr. Lombardo
Vote:
Eleven (11) Ayes – Unanimous
Motion Passed (11-0)
Meeting reconvened at 7:31 PM

Roll Call

Present

Carl Bienias (virtually)
Kevin Lescavage
John Lombardo
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Tim McGinley
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Brian Thornton (virtually)
Stephen J. Urban
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Also Present

Randy Robertson, County Manager (virtually)
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Special Meeting Agenda Item (cont)

1. Motion to adopt resolution Authorizing the County Manager to Execute a Contract with Runbeck Election Services for the Purchase of a Mail Ballot Sorting System and Five Year Licensing and Service Agreement

Motion by: Ms. McDermott

Second: Mr. Perry

Roll Call Vote:

Six (6) Yes by Mr. Lombardo, Ms. McDermott, Mr. McGinley, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Perry and Ms. Radle

Five (5) No by Mr. Bienias, Mr. Lescavage, Mr. Thornton, Mr. SJ Urban and Mr. Wolovich

Motion Passed (6-5)

Resolution is Adopted

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

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Mark Rabo (Hazleton) commented Verbally regarding the Vote, lawsuits, the Deputy Director and the County Manager.

TJ Fitzgerald (Wilkes-Barre) commented Verbally regarding the RFP, the grant, the contract and the County Manager.

Alyssa Fusaro (Luzerne) commented Verbally regarding mentoring and PA Senators.

Vivian Kriedler Lucina (Nescopeck) commented Verbally regarding the grant money and the ballot machine.

Rick Davis (Black Creek Township) commented Verbally regarding the vote and lawsuits.

Motion to adjourn: Mr. McGinley

Second: Mr. Lombardo

Vote:

Eleven (11) Ayes – Unanimous

Motion Passed (11-0)

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 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