

WEST LEBANON TOWNSHIP
July 24, 2023

The regular meeting of the West Lebanon Township Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Michelle Testerman with the Pledge of Allegiance

The following were in attendance:

Commissioner Richard Pflueger	Treasurer: Julie Clouse
Commissioner John Gurganus	Secretary: Antoinette Issis
Commissioner Michelle Testerman	Maintenance: John Brenner (absent)
Commissioner Vacant	Township Engineer: Mr. Joshua Weaber (absent)
Commissioner Phylis Dryden	Solicitor: Mr. Michael Light

Michelle Testerman stated this special meeting is to appoint a commissioner for the vacancy due to the resignation of Harry Fox. The township received two letters of interest from Jeanne Arnold and Justin Snyder. Both letters were received by the due date of July 19, 2023. Michelle wanted to be on record that the township is doing the process legally.

Michael Light stated the appointments have to be done by the boards first. If the appointments are not done by the board the vacancy board has 15 additional days to appointment a commissioner. If the vacancy board fails to appoint a commissioner, it goes to the court of common pleas. The statute states that the board of commissioners has to appoint and if they refuse, neglect, or fail to fill within the 30 days required then the vacancy board shall fill within 15 additional days. The vacancy board shall consist of the board of commissioners and one registered elector of the township. If the vacancy board does not fill the position, it goes to the court of common pleas. If the board is able to fill Harry Fox's position then the vacancy board does not apply.

Michelle asked if the commissioners have read both letters of interest. Michelle asked if there is a motion for either person who submitted a letter of interest to be appointed for the vacant commissioner position.

Richard Pflueger made a motion and seconded by Phylis Dryden and agreed by the board to appoint Justin Snyder to fill the vacant board position. All in favor.

Michelle stated on the agenda it has reorganization of the board and it is not what the special meeting was for.

Michael stated correct however the board can reorganize the board however they would like. Michelle stated she would prefer to wait until the August 7, 2023 meeting when Justin is at the meeting before reorganizing the board. The rest of the commissioners agree to wait until Justin is at the next meeting.

Michael informed the board he will be at a court hearing in Pittsburgh due to a court hearing and will not be at the meeting.

Phylis asked who will be at the meeting for Michael.

Michael stated he will try to have Paul at the meeting.

Phylis Dryden made a motion, seconded by Richard Pflueger and agreed by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Antoinette Issis, Secretary