



GERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON JULY 1, 2020

The SPECIAL MEETING was called to order by Board President Abra Reed at 7:01 p.m. The meeting was held in the sanctuary of St. John's United Church of Christ at 201 West Market Street,, Germantown, OH 45327. The meeting was live streamed using WebEx. In attendance were:

President Abra Reed Vice-President Jacob Stubbs Fiscal Officer Mark Heistand

COMMITTEE OF FIVE:

Name	Address	Name	Address
David Bishop	10074 Carlisle Pike	Barb Ratliff	8035 Wind Dancer Dr.
Beth Genslinger	123 W. Market St.	Lisa Root	39 McCall Road

VISITORS PRESENT IN THE ROOM:

Name	Address	Name	Address
David Gehron	14239 Kiefer Road	Kendall Peters	285 W. Market St.
Lora Dima	6505 Diamond Mill	Lynn Cleveland	11858 Oxford Road
Mark & Deb Cross	7444 S. Stivers Road	Karen Carmickle	364 East Market St.
Kim Dupps	9790 G'town-Middt'n	State Rep Niraj Antani	
Erica Hamm	11623 Sigal Road	Sheri McMonigle	11050 Friend Road
Kurt Jacoby	12955 Harris Road	Halie Sewell	8122 Lower Miamiburg
Lloyd & Judy Johnson	7404 Browns Run Rd	Chief Roy McGill	75 N. Walnut St.
Nathaniel Peterson	301 W. 3 rd St, Dayton	Jo Ann Botts	142 S. Main St.
Deborah Rieger	32 E. Warren St.	Krystal Lacy	7802 S. Stiver Road
Scott Johnson	15711 St. Rt. 725 W.	Lyndsey Ritze	6810 Little Twin Rd
Lout Potter, Jr.	15317 Oxford Road	Rebecca Wafzig	305 W. Market St.

ONLINE VISITORS:

Name	Name	Name	Name
Greg Apple	Sam H	Jeremy Holbrook	Valorie

The Germantown Press was notified in advance of the Special Meeting.

The announced purpose of the Special Meeting was for the Committee of Five to hold a Public Meeting to make an appointment to fill the Trustee vacancy.

Mrs. Reed led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Stubbs requested that Visitor Comments be allowed before turning the meeting over to the Committee of Five. Mr. Heistand replied that the Committee would be making a decision on whether they would like to receive Visitor Comments.

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF FIVE

- Mrs. Genslinger made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ratliff, to appoint Mrs. Root as chair of the Committee. There were no other nominations. The MOTION PASSED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Mrs. Root made a MOTION, seconded by Mrs. Genslinger, to adjourn into Executive Session to consider the appointment of a public official under the authority of ORC 121.22(G)(1). The vote was as follows: Mrs. Root – YES; Mrs. Genslinger – YES; Mrs. Ratliff – YES; Mr. Bishop – YES. The Committee of Five entered Executive Session at 7:04 pm.
- Present in the Executive Session were the following: Mrs. Root, Mrs. Genslinger, Mrs. Ratliff, Mr. Bishop, Assistant Prosecutor Nathaniel Peterson and Fiscal Officer Mark Heistand.
- The Committee of Five held discussion under the authority of ORC 121.22(G)(1) to consider the appointment of a public official.
- Mrs. Root made a MOTION, seconded by Mrs. Genslinger, to reconvene into Regular Session. The MOTION PASSED. The Committee of Five reconvened into Regular Session at 7:39 pm.

DISCUSSION ON THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW TRUSTEE

- Mr. Peterson explained the process outlined in the Ohio Revised Code for the appointment of a new Trustee. The Trustees had 30 days to make an appointment following Trustee Matt Burns' resignation on 5/31/20. Since they were unable to agree on an appointment, the process moved on to the Committee of Five. These people were listed on Mr. Burns' election petition to represent him. The fifth member of the Committee is Mr. Burns' wife Kim, who is unable to serve as she has moved out of the Township. If the Committee of Five is unable to reach a decision, the final decision is made by the presiding Montgomery County probate judge.
- Mrs. Root made a MOTION, seconded by Mrs. Genslinger, to have no public comments but instead move forward with a decision to appoint. The MOTION PASSED.
- Mrs. Genslinger thanked all seven applicants who stepped up and applied for the Trustee position. She hoped that they would all file to run for a Trustee seat in 2021. She said the applicants were all outstanding. This was not a job that any of the Committee wanted to take on. They were disappointed that a decision wasn't made by the Trustees, but they understood.
- Mr. Heistand explained that the appointed Trustee will serve through 2021 and will need to run in November 2021 to complete the last two years of former Trustee Burns' term of office.

APPOINTMENT OF A NEW TRUSTEE

- Mrs. Root made a MOTION, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to appoint **TYLER REHMERT** as German Township Trustee to fill the seat vacated by former Trustee Matt Burns. The vote was as follows: Mrs. Root – YES; Mrs. Genslinger – YES; Mrs. Ratliff – YES; Mr. Bishop – YES. The MOTION PASSED.
- Mr. Heistand declared that a new Trustee has been appointed. He thanked the Committee of Five for their service.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

- Mr. Stubbs stated his objection to not having Visitor Comments at the meeting.
- With no further business, Mrs. Reed made a MOTION, seconded by Mr. Stubbs, to adjourn. The MOTION PASSED. The Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Signed: Abra Reed
Abra Reed, President, Board of Trustees

Attest: These minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at their meeting on July 13, 2020.

Signed: Mark A. Heistand
Mark A. Heistand, Fiscal Officer