

FREEDOM BOROUGH
Re- Organization Meeting Minutes
January 2, 2024

Freedom Borough Council met this evening at 5:30 p.m. for a Re- Organizational Meeting in the municipal building with the following members of Council Present: John Kaercher, Eric Climo; Sydney Eckman, Kevin Horan, Krysta Climo, Kim Farrow, Jon Kaercher.

Newly elected Council members Jon Kaercher, Kim Farrow, Krysta Climo and Kevin Horan were sworn in by Mayor Nadine Padezanin.

Visitors:

Meeting called to order @ 5:32 p.m. by Mayor Nadine Padezanin

Pledge of allegiance to the American flag

Mayor Padezanin asked for nominations for Council President. Kim Farrow nominated John Kaercher. Mayor Padezanin asked three times for other nominations. No other nominations were heard.

***Motion was made by K. Farrow to nominate John Kaercher as President of Freedom Council and was seconded by K. Horan. All voted. Motion Carried.**

President John Kaercher asked for nominations for Council Vice-President. S. Eckman nominated Eric Climo. President John Kaercher asked three times for other nominations. No other nominations were heard.

***Motion was made by S. Eckman to nominate E. Climo as Vice-President of Council and was seconded by K. Farrow. All voted. Motion Carried.**

2024 APPOINTMENTS:

B. V. R. P. D. – Commission

1. Eric Climo
2. Nadine Padezanin

B. V. R. P. D. - Alternates

1. Sydney Eckman
2. Kim Farrow

***Motion to retain Bernard Rabik as Solicitor was made by Roll Call vote: K. Horan- No, Jon Kaercher – Yes, S. Eckman – Yes, K. Farrow – Yes, E. Climo – Yes and John Kaercher – Yes. All voted. Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Engineer – M. S. Consultants - John Balewski was made by E. Climo and seconded by Jon Kaercher. All voted Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Borough Secretary/Treasurer – Sharon Miller was made by K. Farrow and seconded by E. Climo. All voted. Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Street Commissioner – Ronald Miles was made by K. Climo and seconded by S. Eckman. All Voted Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Laborer – Robert Kumrow Jr. was made by E. Climo and seconded by Jon Kaercher. All voted. Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Financial – WesBanco was made by K. Climo and seconded by S. Eckman. All Voted. Motion Carried.**

*** Motion to retain Auditor – Mark Turnley, CPA was made by E. Climo and seconded by Jon Kaercher. All Voted. Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Code enforcement – KLH Engineers Troy Gump was made by K. Horan and seconded by K. Climo. All Voted. Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain United Code Consultants – Building Code Official Dennis Smith was made by Jon Kaercher and seconded by S. Eckman. All Voted. Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Freedom Borough Planning Commission was made by E. Climo and seconded by Jon Kaercher. All Voted. Motion Carried.**

***Motion to retain Freedom Borough Zoning Hearing Board was made by K. Climo and seconded by K. Farrow. All Voted. Motion Carried.**

2024 Council Committees Will be approved at the next monthly meeting in January 2024.

- Financial -
- Police -
- Personnel -
- Streets -
- Recreation -
- Grants/public funding / Utilities –

Adjournment:

***Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:46 p.m. was made by E. Climo and seconded by Jon Kaercher. All Voted. Motion Carried.**

APPROVED _____ ATTEST _____

MAYOR _____

Respectfully submitted by:

Sharon A. Miller; Freedom Boro Secretary / Treasurer

