

Borough of Tioga
July 12, 2022

A special meeting of Borough of Tioga Council was held on Tuesday July 12, 2022 at the Tioga Borough Office at 18 North Main St, Tioga PA 16946 with the following people present:

Bob Wheeler
Holly Irwin

Alan Brooks
Bill Preston

David Wilcox, Mayor

Absent:

Doreen Burnside

Joan Stone, Secretary/Treasurer

Donald "DJ" Wariner, Borough Manager

Resigned:

Steve Hazlett

Marybess Hazlett

Jeffrey Loomis, Solicitor

Holly Irwin, protem, called the special meeting to order at 6:11pm stating that the purpose of the meeting was to accept the withdrawal of Timothy Loehmann. After reading his resignation letter she asked for a motion.

Al Brooks requested that he had something to add before taking action on that and made a motion to change the agenda to accept all active resignations to the borough right now.

Al Brooks was interrupted by Bob Wheeler who stated that he could not do that.

Al Brooks stated that according to Pa Senate bill 554 amendment to the Sunshine act, that he could.

Bob Wheeler did not need it read to him.

Al Brooks read the following passage to the council and public in attendance:

Upon majority vote of the individuals present and voting during the conduct of a meeting, an agency may add a matter of agency business to the agenda. The reasons for the changes to the agenda shall be announced at the meeting before any vote is conducted to make the changes to the agenda. The agency may subsequently take official action on the matter added to the agenda. The agency shall post the amended agenda on the agency's publicly accessible internet website, if available, and at the agency's principal office location no later than the first business day following the meeting at which the agenda was changed.

He continued on with "And since we are here to accept resignations anyways, it fits."

Bill Preston seconded the motion

Holly Irwin, "I don't agree".

Bob Wheeler, "I don't agree".

David Wilcox, Mayor, broke the tie and voted YES

Al Brooks, "Carry".

Al Brooks. I make a motion to accept all resignations open to Tioga Borough at this time. Including: Timothy Loehmann, Jeffrey Loomis, Steve Hazlett, Marybess Hazlett, and Andre Reed.

Holly Irwin questioned if they had the papers to look at.

Bill Preston said that they should be in the borough office.

Holly Irwin stated that she would not agree until she could see them.

Bob Wheeler said that they gotta have copies of them.

David & Holly announced that they have copies on their phones.

Bill Preston mentions that they all have them on their phones.

Holly Irwin wants them on the table. All she's got are pictures and she wants the actual (waves Loehmann's resignation for reference) just like this.

Bob Wheeler stated that Loomis told him that they have to be printed off.

Bill Preston said that the email was sent to the borough office and he **seconded the motion**.

There is a lot of talking over each other at this point

Holly: They aren't here right now to...

David: Are you guys saying that you want these people to stay in their positions after what they...

Holly: I'm saying I want to do it the correct way.

Bob: No. I was told that we have to on the next meeting. This meeting was only for accepting this ?stuff?

David: By our lawyer who resigned?

Al: Pa Senate Bill right there

Bob: I'm just telling you what I was told.

Al: This is what the Pa Constitution will say.

Bob: Well then you should have had your stuff printed off and all set up.

Al: Ain't no requirements say I gotta print nothin for you.

Bob: You don't have to print it for me.

Al: ?? says I have to have one in writing

Too much background noise

Al: I made a motion

Bill I seconded it

Al: It's on the table

???? Al: Accept all resignations

Holly: How can we accept them without the paper in front of us: it's just hearsay really. We shouldn't. I didn't get it.

Bob Wheeler: Im' not gonna play this game I apologize to the borough. I'm outta here.

Al Brooks: Come back here and sit your ass down.

Bob: We're not gonna do the meeting wrong. We can ??? I'm sorry.

Bob Wheeler left the meeting

Al Brooks: calmed crowd. It was expected. Stated: A quorum is ½ of all the councilmen in office. Resignations are no longer in office. That makes the quorum 2.5..3. Holly, unless you leave, we're gonna continue on.

Holly: I'm staying

Al: Vote

Bill Preston, yes

Al Brooks, yes

Holly Irwin: What?

Al: I made a motion to accept all resignations, Jeff Loomis, Steve Hazlett, Marybess Hazlett, Timothy Loehmann, and Andre Dean.

Holly: I vote no. I only vote to accept this one <Loehmann> cuz this is the one that I can see. I can't vote on something that I don't see with my own eyes... We don't have access to the office (in reference to the crowd holler print it off)

Al: replies to the crowd. That's fine. She doesn't understand it. She's legally responsible for a yes vote and it's her right as a council person not to vote on it.

I'm a yes, Bill is a yes, that's 2 out of 3, that carries.

Al: Would you like a motion to adjourn?

Holly: You need a motion to accept this. (shows Loehmann's paper)

Al: We just accepted it. Timothy Loehmann, Andre Dean, Steve Hazlett, Marybess Hazlett, Jeffrey Loomis
Motion to adjourn.

Holly: Second

Notes taken by Deb Relaford