

**MONROE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #3  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF REORGANIZATION MEETING  
TUESDAY MARCH 6, 2018**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

7:08pm

**2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**3. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**4. ANNOUNCEMENT**

The meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act having been published in the newspaper, posted on the bulletin board in the Office of the Township Clerk and notices sent to those requesting such.

**5. ROLL CALL AND SWEARING IN**

**6. ROLL CALL**

-----x----Commissioner Leslie Barta  
-----x----Commissioner Joseph O. Haff  
-----x----Commissioner Gerald Kaplan  
-----x----Commissioner Joel Kaplan  
-----x----Commissioner James Fisher

**Also Present:**

Chief Peter Gasiorowski  
Board Accountant Joe Massoni  
Board Attorney Robert Schwartz  
Kris Bachmann Jr. of Feldman, Sablosky, Massoni & Co

**7. NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Robert Schwartz requested a nomination for Chairman of the Board. Upon motion by Gerald Kaplan and Joel Kaplan, Les Barta was nominated as Chairman of the Board. With all in favor, the motion was carried unanimously.

**8. RESULTS OF THE FEBRUARY 2018 FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION FOR COMMISSIONER AND THE 2018 FIRE BUDGET**

Joel Kaplan -196  
Gerald Kaplan - 198  
For passing the budget – 157  
Against passing the budget – 45

**9. NOMINATION FOR VICE CHAIRMAN**

**Gerald Kaplan**

**MOTION: Joel Kaplan**

**SECOND: Jim Fisher**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**10. NOMINATION FOR SECRETARY**

**Joe Haff**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joe Haff**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**11. NOMINATION FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY**

**Jim Fisher**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joel Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**12. NOMINATION FOR TREASURER**

**Joel Kaplan**

**MOTION: Jim Fisher**

**SECOND: Joe Haff**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**13. NOMINATION FOR ASSISTANT TREASURER**

**Jim Fisher**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joel Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**14. NOMINATION FOR TRI-DISTRICT LIASION**

**Jim Fisher**

**MOTION: Joel Kaplan**

**SECOND: Joe Haff**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**15. NOMINATION FOR ATTORNEY FOR THE BOARD**

**Mr. Robert Schwartz**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joel Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**16. NOMINATION FOR BOARD ACCOUNTANTS**

**Joe Massoni of the firm Feldman, Seblonsky and Massoni**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Gerald Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**17. NOMINATION FOR BOARD AUDITORS**

**Firm of Solitario & Tierney**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joel Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**18. NOMINATION FOR BOARD HEALTH COORDINATOR**

**TBD**

**MOTION:**

**SECOND:**

**19. NOMINATION FOR BOARD RECORDING SECRETARY**

**Meredith Offenberg**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joel Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**20. DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL BOARD NEWSPAPERS**

**Cranbury Press and The Home News**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joel Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**21. DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES**

**Provident Bank**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Jim Fisher**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**22. DESIGNATION OF BOARD COMPENSATION**

**Salaries to remain at \$6,000/year for Fire Commissioners.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joel Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**23. AUTHORIZATION FOR ACCOUNTS MAINTENANCE**

**Authorization for the Board Treasurer and/or Board Asst. Treasurer to establish, close, and maintain accounts.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Gerald Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**24. DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACES**

**Communities of Rossmoor, Regency, Greenbriar and firehouse at 16 Centre Drive.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Jim Fisher**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**25. DESIGNATION OF MONTHLY MEETINGS**

**The meetings of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm, with the exception of the Reorganization Meeting which will be held on the first Tuesday of March.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joe Haff**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**26. AUTHORIZATION FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS**

**Authorization for the Board Treasurer and/or Board Asst. Treasurer to make timely payments.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Gerald Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**27. COMPENSATION FOR BOARD ATTORNEY**

**The sum of \$200 per meeting and \$165 per hour (increase of \$15/hr) was established for the Board Attorney, Robert Schwartz.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joe Haff**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**28. COMPENSATION FOT BOARD AUDITOR**

**The annual compensation for the Board Auditing Firm was established not to exceed \$15,000.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Gerald Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**29. COMPENSATION FOR BOARD ACCOUNTANT**

**The compensation for the Board Accountant will be \$150 per hour.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Jim Fisher**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**29A. COMPENSATION FOR BOOKKEEPING**

**The compensation for the Bookkeeper, Karen Sickler, at Feldman, Seblonsky and Massoni will be \$24,000 annually.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Joe Haff**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**30. RESOLUTION FOR COLLECTION OF DISTRICT TAXES**

**Authorization to request the district taxes from the municipal tax collector.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Jim Fisher**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**31. RESOLUTION FOR FIXING CHARGES**

**The need for a resolution for fixing the charges for mailing agenda and meeting notices and establishing fees for photo copies.**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Gerald Kaplan**

**With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**32. MOTION TO ADJOURN THE REORGANIZATION MEETING**

**MOTION: Les Barta**

**SECOND: Jim Fisher**

**TIME: 7:20pm**

**RESOLUTIONS 2018-03-7 THROUGH 2018-03-32 PASS AT THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT REORGANIZATION MEETING.**