

An Organizational meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, January 6, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor William Kreisher; Vice President Toni Bell; Council Members James Huber, James Garman, Bonnie Crawford, and Vince DeMelfi; Town Manager Lisa Dooley; Administrative Assistant Bobbi Erlston; Director of Public Works John Fritz; Chief of Police William Gelgot; Director of Code Enforcement Ken Roberts, Airport Coordinator BJ Teichman and Fire Chief Scott McBride. Also in attendance was solicitor Barry Lewis.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED OR RE-ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS

William Kreisher (Sworn In by Judge James prior to the meeting)
Toni Bell
James Huber
Vince DeMelfi

DECLARATION OF VACANT 2 YEAR COUNCIL SEAT

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council declared the 2 year Council seat vacant.

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Richard Bogar the Vacancy Board.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE VACANT 2 YEAR COUNCIL SEAT

Candidates that submitted letters of interest: Eric Bower, Jared Harris, Carey Howell, Justin Hummel, Diane Levan, Susan Martz and Ammon Young. Carey Howell pulled out from consideration.

Diane Levan was nominated by V. DeMelfi and seconded by T. Bell.
Susan Martz was nominated by J. Huber and failed from a lack of a second.
Ammon Young was nominated by T. Bell and seconded by J. Garman.
Justin Hummel was nominated by T. Bell and seconded by J. Huber.

Diane Levan received 2 ‘yes’ votes and 4 ‘no’ votes. Yes votes: V. DeMelfi & W. Kreisher.
Ammon Young received 2 ‘yes’ votes and 3 ‘no’ votes and 1 abstention from B. Crawford. Yes votes: T. Bell & J. Garman.
Justin Hummel received 3 ‘yes’ votes and 3 ‘no’ votes. Yes votes: B. Crawford, J. Huber & W. Kreisher.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to revote for a candidate to fill the vacant 2-year council seat.

Diane Levan received 1 ‘yes’ vote and a 5 ‘no’ votes. Yes vote: V. DeMelfi.
Ammon Young received 3 ‘yes’ votes and 3 ‘no’ votes. Yes votes: T. Bell, J. Garman & V. DeMelfi.
Justin Hummel received 5 ‘yes’ votes and 1 ‘no’ vote. No votes: V. DeMelfi.

MAYOR’S REMARKS

W. Kreisher noted there was an executive session held on December 9, 2019 from 8:48 p.m. to 10:18 p.m. to discuss Police Department personnel.

W. Kreisher thanked former Council Member Fred Trump for his service on Town Council

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Toni Bell was nominated by W. Kreisher and seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF TOWN MANAGER/SECRETARY/TREASURER

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Lisa Dooley as the Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR TOWN MANAGER/SECRETARY/TREASURER

Lisa Dooley

MAYOR’S ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEES

W. Kreisher names the following Committees and Committee assignments of Council Members:

Administrative/Finance Committee

William Kreisher, Chair
Toni Bell
Bonnie Crawford
Vince DeMelfi

Community and Economic Development Committee

Toni Bell, Chair
James Huber
Justin Hummel

Public Safety Committee

William Kreisher, Chair
Bonnie Crawford
James Garman
Vince DeMelfi

Public Works & Environment Committee

James Huber, Chair
James Garman
Justin Hummel

APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council re-appointed Jared Harris to the Code Appeal Board.

CODE APPEAL BOARD

Jared Harris	Term Exp.	12/31/24
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On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council re-appointed Don Pursel to the Civil Service Commission

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Don Pursel	Term Exp.	12/31/22
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On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted unanimously, Council appointed Michael Upton to the Municipal Authority Board.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD

Michael Upton	Term Exp.	12/31/24
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On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council re-appointed Ed Sabo and Ralph Magill to the Historic Architectural Review Board.

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Ed Sabo	Term Exp.	12/31/23
Ralph Magill	Term Exp.	12/31/23

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council re-appointed Ed Sabo and Steven Boughter to the Planning Commission.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Ed Sabo	Term Exp.	12/31/23
Steven Boughter	Term Exp.	12/31/23

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Chuck Wagner and Eric Bower to the Zoning Hearing Board.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Chuck Wagner	Term Exp.	12/31/22
Eric Bower	Term Exp.	12/31/22

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council re-appointed William Kreisher to Downtown Bloomsburg Inc.

DOWNTOWN BLOOMSBURG INC.

William Kreisher

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Bonnie Crawford to the Community Impact Fund.

COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND

Bonnie Crawford Term Exp. 12/31/22

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed James Garman to the Town Park Improvement Association

TOWN PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

James Garman

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Vince DeMelfi to the Columbia County Tax Collection Committee.

COLUMBIA COUNTY TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE

Vince DeMelfi

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed BJ Teichman to the PA Aviation Board of Directors.

PA AVIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BJ Teichman Term Exp. 12/31/22

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Lisa Dooley to the SEDA-COG Metropolitan Planning Organization

SEDA-COG METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Lisa Dooley Term Exp. 12/31/22

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed BJ Teichman to the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

BJ Teichman Term Exp. 12/31/20

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Ken Roberts as the Building Code Official.

BUILDING CODE OFFICIAL

Ken Roberts

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Ken Roberts as the Floodplain Administrator

FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR

Ken Roberts

APPOINTMENT OF TOWN SOLICITOR

On a motion by W. Kreisher, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on 6 ‘yes’ votes and 1 abstention (J. Hummel), Council appointed Barry Lewis with Hummel, Lewis, & Smith, LLP as the Town’s solicitor.

APPOINTMENT OF SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman and voted on unanimously, Council appointed James McDeavitt, Columbia County Sanitary Inspection Office as the sewage enforcer.

APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL FUND DEPOSITORY

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford and voted on unanimously, Council appointed First Columbia Bank and Trust Company as the General Fund depository.

AUTHORIZED CHECK SIGNORS

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed William Kreisher, Toni Bell, Vince DeMelfi, and Lisa Dooley as authorized check signors.

APPOINTMENT OF TOWN ENGINEER

On a motion by V. DeMelfi seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Livic Civil as the Town's engineer.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Boyer & Ritter, CPA as the Town's auditors.

CITIZEN TO BE HEARD

Fred Gaffney proposed to Council to have parking meters placed on East Street as well as PANGO. F. Gaffney expressed his concerns of people having difficulty parking if PANGO is the only method of parking on East Street. F. Gaffney requested that the Sub-Parking Group revisit this discussion.

Ralph Schumacher suggested adding kiosks to East Street instead of only the PANGO application.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 01-06-20.01 FEE RESOLUTION

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved resolution 01-06-20.01 Fee Resolution.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 01-06-20.02 DRUG TASK FORCE AGREEMENT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council approved resolution 01-06-20.02 Drug Task Force Agreement.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 01-06-20.03 POLICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved resolution 01-06-20.03 Police Education and Training.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 01-06-20.04 POLICE PENSION CONTRIBUTION DETERMINATION

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved resolution 01-06-20.04 Police Pension Contribution stating that the Town of Bloomsburg requires an annual contribution in the amount of 5% to the Bloomsburg Police Pension Fund from each participant as determined by the actuary in accordance with Act 600.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 9, 2019 & DECEMBER 17, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the December 9, 2019 and December 17, 2019 Town Council minutes with no additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS AND DECEMBER PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund, \$226,695.36; Recycling Fund, \$57,880.86; Street Lighting Fund, \$5,537.78; Fire Fund, \$3,569.72; Library Fund, \$3,873.41; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$11,946.81; CDBG – DR, \$2,057,708.23 and the December payroll authorization in the amount of \$336,800.14.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTING JODI SABO'S RESIGNATION FROM THE HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council accepted Jodi Sabo's resignation from the Historical Architectural Review Board, effective December 19, 2019.

APPROVAL OF A PERMIT APPLICATION FOR EM'S PINK WEINERS

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a permit application for Em's Pink Weiners from January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020.

APPROVAL OF OFFICER DAVID BOWMAN DONATING 41 HOURS SICK LEAVE TO OFFICER GERALD ZEIDLER

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Officer David Bowman donating 41 hours sick leave to Officer Gerald Zeidler.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO GREENMAN-PEDERSEN, INC FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REGARDING THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Greenman-Pedersen Inc. in the amount of \$28,564.00 for professional services from November 1, 2019 to November 20, 2019 regarding the Floodwall Expansion Project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIVIC CIVIL REGARDING THE EAST STREET PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Livic Civil in the amount of \$10,850.00 regarding the East Street Project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIVIC CIVIL REGARDING THE EAST STREET PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Livic Civil in the amount of \$4,480.00 regarding the East Street Project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIVIC CIVIL REGARDING THE TOWN PARK CONSOLIDATION

On a motion T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount of \$6,000.00 regarding the Town Park Consolidation.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIVIC CIVIL REGARDING THE 5TH & MARKET STREETS GREEN LIGHT GO SIGNAL DESIGN

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council payment to Livic Civil in the amount of \$12,421.50 regarding the 5th and Market Streets Green Light Go Signal Design.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO HRI INC. FOR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to HRI Inc. in the amount of \$617,014.03 for general construction of the Floodwall Expansion Project.

APPROVAL OF A 90 DAY EXTENSION TO THE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY WASTE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, Council approved a fourth 90 day extension to the Municipal Authority Waste Water Treatment Facility.

APPROVAL TO USE THE PANGO APPLICATION FOR PARKING ON EAST STREET

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to send this discussion to the Public Safety Committee for further discussion.

APPROVAL OF ADDING ERIC BOWER AND TIM WAGNER TO THE PARKING-SUB COMMITTEE

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved adding Eric Bower and Tim Wagner to the Parking-Sub Committee.

APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 7, PART 2 OF THE TOWN'S ORDINANCES

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 5 ‘yes’ votes and 2 ‘no’ votes (J. Huber and V. DeMelfi), Council approved to advertise an amendment to Chapter 7, Part 2, of the Town’s Ordinances.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SEDA-COG FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to SEDA-COG in the amount of \$4,700.00 for administrative services.

There being no further business, Council adjourned into executive session in regards to Police Department personnel at 9:20 p.m. and did not reconvene. Executive session lasted till 10:10 p.m.

Lisa Dooley
Town Manager/Secretary