

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2004**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Bush, Jerry Poe, Russ Kilmer, Jay Pusey, Fred Bryan, Rose Ann Swift, Bob Cleveland

GUESTS PRESENT: Bob McCue, Sandy Masten, Phil Pusey, Howard Thompson, Harold Brown, Walter Barcz, Bill Webb

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 7:30 p.m.

ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS TAKE OATH

Bob Cleveland, Fred Bryan and Rose Ann Swift presented their Certificates of Election. Mayor Howell swore/affirmed in the council members.

NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL

Mayor Howell announced that the nominations were open for President of Borough Council. Fred Bryan nominated Jay Pusey. Ann Bush nominated Jerry Poe. Mayor Howell said she will take a ballot vote and the secretary will read the votes. The secretary announced that there are three votes for Jerry Poe and four votes for Jay Pusey. Mayor Howell announced that Jay Pusey is the President of Council.

Mayor Howell turned the meeting over to President Pusey.

NOMINATION FOR VICE PRESIDENT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL

President Pusey announced that the nominations were open for Vice President of Borough Council. Rose Ann Swift nominated Fred Bryan. Russ Kilmer nominated Ann Bush. Jerry Poe nominated Russ Kilmer. A ballot vote was taken and the secretary announced that there were two votes for Russ Kilmer, one vote for Ann Bush and four votes for Fred Bryan. President Pusey announced that Fred Bryan is Vice President.

APPOINT CHAIRMAN PRO TEM

Ann Bush made a motion to appoint Jerry Poe, 2nd by Fred Bryan, motion carried.

APPOINT CHAIRMAN OF THE VACANCY BOARD

Russ Kilmer made a motion to appoint Ralph Rosazza as Chairman of the Vacancy Board, 2nd by Fred Bryan, Bob Cleveland- abstained, motion carried.

APPOINT TREASURER

Rose Ann Swift made a motion to appoint Sandy Masten as Treasurer, 2nd by Jerry Poe, motion carried.

APPOINT SECRETARY

Ann Bush made a motion to appoint Becky Brownback as Secretary, 2nd by Jerry Poe, motion carried.

DEP MEETING

President Pusey announced that there will be a meeting with DEP on January 8, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. in the Borough Hall.

POLICE CONTRACT**ADOPT RESOLUTION #04-01-01 – AUTHORIZES PRESIDENT TO SIGN POLICE CONTRACT**

Bob Cleveland said in the Police Contract it states we will pay Parkesburg Police \$30,700.00 for the year, but there is only \$29,000.00 in the 2004 budget and this leaves a shortfall of \$1,700.00. The secretary said the budget committee did not have the exact cost of the police at the time the budget was adopted so it was estimated. Russ Kilmer said the shortfall will be made up by the fines that the police are bringing in. Mr. Cleveland asked what we are getting as far as police protection; other than overweight trucks. Mr. Kilmer said he does not have a report in front of him but to name a few the police did many criminal complaints; they enforced the Borough's Ordinances, traffic violations and enforced violations of the park rules. Mr. Cleveland said the question is, do we need police protection? Ann Bush and Russ Kilmer both agreed that we do need police coverage in the Borough. Ann Bush made a motion to approve Resolution #04-01-01, 2nd by Russ Kilmer, Bob Cleveland-nay, Rose Ann Swift-nay, Fred Bryan-nay, Jay Pusey-yea, motion carried with a 4-3 vote approving the president to sign the police contract.

ADOPT RESOLUTION #04-01-02 – APPOINTS POLICE OFFICERS TO WORK IN AVONDALE BOROUGH

Ann Bush made a motion to appoint Resolution #04-01-02, 2nd by Russ Kilmer, Jerry Poe-yea, Fred Bryan-yea, Rose Ann Swift-nay, Bob Cleveland-nay, Jay Pusey-yea, motion carried with a 5-2 vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**PUSEY PROPERTY LAND DONATION**

President Pusey said the deed was researched and the right-of-way is written in the deed so there will not be a problem with the Borough gaining access to the land.

Russ Kilmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m., 2nd by Fred Bryan, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary