

SHOHOLA TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REORGANIZATION MEETING  
JANUARY 4, 2021

**ATTENDANCE:**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**Motion** to approve the following **appointments of Supervisors:**

- Chairman - George J. Fluhr
  - Vice-Chairman - Gregory P. Hoeper,
- Made by Keith W. Raser, second by Gregory P. Hoeper, motion carried.

**Motion** to approve the following **list of appointments:**

- Secretary Diana Blume
  - Treasurer Diana Blume
  - Open Records Officer Diana Blume
  - Planning Board Secretary Diana Blume
  - Solicitor Jason Ohliger  
Contingent upon production of a valid license
  - Alternate Solicitor Matthew Galasso  
Contingent upon production of a valid license
  - Road Master Robert Myers
- Made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.

**Motion to re-appoint** Clint Malzhan as Emergency Management Coordinator, made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.

**Motion** to approve the following members to the Zoning Hearing Board (Building Appeals Board in accordance with Resolution 2004-04):

**ZONING HEARING BOARD-3 YEAR TERM**

- Zoning Hearing Board (reaffirm to Jan 2022) Jack Kirk
  - Zoning Hearing Board (reappoint to Jan 2023) Donald Worzel
  - Zoning Hearing Board (reappoint to Jan 2024) Ed Nickles, Sr,
  - Zoning Hearing Board Alternate James Hopkins
  - Zoning Officer Ron Tussell
  - Alternate Zoning Officer (Vacant)
- Approve expenditure by the Zoning Hearing Board for Solicitor of their Election up to \$150.00 per hour.

made by Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.

**Motion** to approve the following members to the Building Hearing Board (Building Appeals Board in accordance with Resolution 2011-05):

**BUILDING HEARING BOARD-5 YEAR TERM**

- Building Hearing Board (reaffirm to Jan 2024) Jeffrey Fuhse
- Building Hearing Board (reaffirm to Jan 2025) Jerry Gilroy
- Building Hearing Board (reappoint to Jan 2026) Gary Hoeper

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- Approve expenditure by the Building Hearing Board for Solicitor of their Election up to \$150.00 per hour, made Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.

**Motion** to approve the following members to the Planning Commission:

**PLANNING COMMISSION- 4 YEAR TERM**

- Planning Commission (reaffirm to Jan 2022) Peter Wulfhorst
- Planning Commission (reaffirm to Jan 2023) Roger Saumure
- Planning Commission (reaffirm to Jan 2024) Peter Kestler
- Planning Commission (reaffirm to Jan 2025) Gary Hoepfer
- Planning Commission (reappoint to Jan 2025) Aaron Robinson
- Planning Commission ALTERNATE Jeffrey Fushe
- Planning Commission Solicitor Jason Ohliger

Made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.

Supervisor Raser wanted to state for the record his congratulations to the Planning Committee on their dedication and hard work.

**Motion** to approve the following:

**ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS/ DELEGATES/OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

- Flood Plain Management Ron Tussel
- Sewage Enforcement Officer Ron Tussel  
Contingent upon production of valid certification
- Building Code Enforcement Codes Inspections, Inc.  
Contingent upon production of a valid license
- UDC Delegate Aaron Robinson
- UDC 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Delegate Roger Saumure
- UDC 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate Delegate Patricia Jeffer
- Township Historian George J. Fluhr
- Road Task Force Delegate Robert Myers
- Road Task Force Alternate Delegate Keith Raser
- Maintenance Director John Knapp
- Maintenance/Road Crew Jeffrey Degroat
- Township Engineer John Fuller
- Alternate Township Engineer Keystone Consulting
- Vacancy Board Chairman Anthony Lapari Sr.
- Convention Delegates All Supervisors & Township Secretary  
As Voting delegates
- Convention Attendees shall be Supervisors, Secretary, Solicitor, Planning Members and Road Master.

Made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.

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*Motion to go into at 9:06am executive session to discuss salaries, made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.*

*Meeting reconvened at 9:13am.*

**Motion** to adopt the 2021 salary & benefits package for employees increase wages \$1.00 per hour for all employees and Ron Tussel. Solicitor Ohliger pay will increase by \$100.00 per month, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.** See attached Benefits package.

**Motion** to affirm the **Board of Supervisors as Road Employees, made by Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

**Motion** to recommend the **2021 salary and benefit package** go to the Board of Auditors, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

**Motion** that the **Treasurers Bond** continue at \$1,000,000.00, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

**Motion** to hold regular monthly meetings on the **second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm**; at the municipal building, with the exception of the November, 2021 Meeting which falls on Veterans Day. That meeting date will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 7:30pm, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

**Motion** to hold regular Planning Committee meetings on the **third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm**; at the municipal building, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

**Motion** to designate the **Tri-County Independent & the Pike County Dispatch** as the **official newspapers** for the Township, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

**Motion** to designate **Wayne Bank and PLGIT** as the **official depositories** for the Township funds, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

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**Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-01**

**Resolution 2021-01:**

**RESOLVED:**

that the Shohola Township Board of Supervisors, hereby grants authorization, to the Shohola Township Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department Inc, to respond to alarms for fire, for motor vehicles accidents, and to emergency medical calls and emergency calls both inside and outside the Township of Shohola, where authorized by the law. Authorization is also granted for these organizations to participate in meetings, fire, rescue, emergency medical, and related training, in parades, in celebrations, and in related activities in Pike & Wayne counties in Pennsylvania, and in counties of New York and New Jersey bordering Pike County, Pennsylvania. Upon written request from a nearby municipality the Supervisors may authorize non-emergency public service assistance to that municipality. Authorization is also granted to engage in fundraising activities, including but not limited to fairs, carnivals, banquets, barbecues, bingo, small games of chance, and similar activities conducted in Shohola Township. It is the responsibility of the Fire Department to provide (to the Township and its workers' compensation insurance carrier) a list of all active members who are authorized to participate in any of the above-listed activities. Such list shall be provided on or before February 1, 2021, and shall be updated by the Fire Department from time-to-time as necessary to ensure that all information remains accurate and up-to-date, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

**Motion** to authorize **payment of regular bills upon receipt**, provided such bills are included in the list of bills presented at the next Board of Supervisors Meeting, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

**Motion** to Recognize **Jeffrey DeGroat** as **Fire Chief** of the Shohola Volunteer Fire & Rescue **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoyer, motion carried.**

**Motion** to authorize the **Fire Chief to issue a burn ban** with the approval of at least 2 (two) Supervisors **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

**Motion** to reaffirm the following members of the **Park and Recreation Committee for the year 2021:**

- John Knapp
- David Myers
- Diana Blume

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- Bernadette Knapp
- Donna Donato

**made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

**Motion** to authorize Shohola Township Zoning Official as **Township Agent** empowered to enforce **Ordinance #43** (Fire Burning Regulations), **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

**Motion** to authorize, the Zoning Official as Township Agent to enforce the provisions of the Nuisance Ordinance #74, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

**Motion** to recognize the **Shohola Railroad and Historical Society, Inc.** as the **official historical society** of Shohola Township, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

**Motion** to authorize the **Township Secretary** with the aid of any individual member of the Board of Supervisors to **apply for grants, made Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

**Motion to recognize the appointment** made by Tax Collector Elizabeth Myers of Wendi Myers as **Deputy Tax Collector**. The Deputy Tax Collector shall not act until specifically authorized by the Board of Supervisors, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

**Motion to authorize the Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer** to borrow **funds in anticipation** of taxes, should the need arise, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

**Motion** to sign all documents needed by **Plgit** and **Wayne Bank** to authorize signatories on the **Township Bank** accounts, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

**Motion to adjourn the Meeting at 9:27am made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr.**