

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
February 15, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Douglas Baker, Mayor  
Donna Fletcher, Deputy Mayor (via Facetime)  
Samuel Lyons  
James Marshall  
Ryan Rudegear

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Garnet Wood

IN ATTENDANCE: Tracy Jamieson, City Manager  
Brian Spaid, City Solicitor  
Jane Dlugos, 103 – 14<sup>th</sup> St., Franklin  
Jennifer Sadler, 218 Atlantic Avenue, Franklin  
Sheila Boughner, Venango Newspapers, Inc.

Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the letters of interest that had been received for the open Council seat for the Third Voting District. Ms. Dlugos and Ms. Sadler were present to answer any questions regarding their interest in the position. Mayor Baker noted that the third applicant had since withdrawn his application.

Mr. Rudegear asked Ms. Sadler and Ms. Dlugos why they hadn't run in the most recent election and also asked, if they were appointed, whether they would run for the post when the position came up again for election. Mr. Spaid explained that, according to the City's Charter, the appointee shall only serve until the first Monday in January of the even-numbered year. As a result, whoever fills the vacancy will have to run again during the May primary in 2017, and be elected by the district's voters. Both Ms. Sadler and Ms. Dlugos indicated that did not realize there was a vacant seat and both indicated that they would run again for election, if appointed to the seat.

The applicants further explained their backgrounds and interests and answered various questions from the Council members. Both applicants were thanked for their interest in serving the community.

**APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBER** – Resolution No. 28

After some discussion, Mayor Baker moved to appoint Jane Dlugos to the Council seat. Mrs. Fletcher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mr. Spaid then administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Dlugos and she was welcomed to Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy Jamieson, City Clerk

