WILKINSBURG BOROUGH
Council Special Meeting
January 29, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

President McCarthy-Johnson called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, second floor of the Municipal Building, 605 Ross Ave., Wilkinsburg, PA.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called to establish a quorum. Present were Mr. Lefebvre, Ms. Garrett, Mr. Taiani, Ms. Trice, Mr. Shattuck, Ms. Macklin, Ms. Moore and President McCarthy-Johnson. Marla P. Marcinko, Borough Manager and Matt Kalina from the offices of Michael J. Witherel Associates, Borough Solicitor was also present. Mayor John A. Thompson was absent. A quorum was established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Following the pledge of allegiance, a moment of silence was observed to remember victims of violent crime.

President McCarthy-Johnson called for a special remembrance for the Pittsburgh Police K-9 Officer that was severely stabbed in the line of duty.

Ms. Marcinko introduced Matt Kalina, associate of Michael J. Witherel, who is serving as legal counsel for this evening's meeting.

President McCarthy-Johnson stated that the purpose of the special meeting is to appoint a person to the vacancy on Borough Council which was created with the resignation of former Councilwoman Eve Goodman. Any public comment will only be taken on the matter before Council. She stated that 3 letters of interest were received and asked if any of the interested candidates were present to address Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kate Grannemann – Third Ward Council Applicant – Ms. Grannemann stated that she has been a resident of Wilkinsburg, in the third ward, for about seven years and loves living here. She commented on being inspired by the community and its vitality and she has a desire to move the community forward. She has been involved with Block Watch, Wilkinsburg Annual Picnic, and Christmas Caroling, in conjunction with MADDADS.

The other two candidates who expressed interest were Bruce Carlton and Michael Jehn. They were not present at the meeting.

Mr. Lefebvre nominated Kate Grannemann. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Shattuck

Ms. Macklin nominated Bruce Carlton. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Trice.

President McCarthy-Johnson closed the nominations.

The vote on the nomination of Kate Grannemann to fill the unexpired term of Eve Goodman, which was effective December 31, 2013 was as follows:

Yes: Mr. Shattuck, Mr. Taiani, Ms. Garrett, Mr. Lefebvre, Ms. Moore, President McCarthy-Johnson

No: Ms. Trice, Ms. Macklin

Motion carried 6:2

A motion was made by Mr. Lefebvre, second by Ms. Moore, to approve Resolution No. 14-013, appointing Kate Grannemann to the vacant seat on Borough Council created by the resignation of Eve Goodman, which was effective December 31, 2013. The term will continue through December 31, 2015.

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

The Affidavit of Residency and Oath of Office was administered to Ms. Grannemann by Ms. Poindexter, Clerk/Secretary to the Administration Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, on motion by Ms. Moore, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:10 P.M.

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Vanessa McCarthy-Johnson, Council President