

## Tremont Borough Council REORGANIZATION MEETING

Tremont Borough Council met for Reorganization on January 2, 2024, at the Borough Building. The Borough Secretary opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was then turned over to Mayor Gerald Fasnacht.

Mayor Fasnacht administered the oath of offices to the re-elected council members; Melody Strickler and Brian Eisenacher.

*\* Copies of election certificates, affidavits of residency, and original signed oaths are filed in the Borough Office.*

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### ATTENDANCE

**Council Members:** William Ochs, Brian Eisenacher James G. Scheibley, Melody Strickler, and Roger Adams.

**Also attending:** Mayor Gerald Fasnacht and Secretary-Treasurer Shea Lucas.

**Not in attendance:** Solicitor Shane Hobbs

**Citizens in attendance:** Kathleen Krammes, Melissa Stokes

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- Mayor Fasnacht opened the floor for nominations for Council President:

1. **William Ochs - Nominated by James Scheibley.**

There were no other nominations for President.

The Mayor closed the floor for nominations and proceeded with a roll call vote for William Ochs for President: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley - Yes, Adams – Yes, Strickler – Yes. Ochs – Accepted.

The Secretary reiterated the votes.

Mayor Fasnacht announced William Ochs as President of Council.

- Mayor Fasnacht then opened the floor for nominations for Council Vice President.

1. **Brian Eisenacher - Nominated by Roger Adams.**

There were no other nominations for Vice President.

Mayor Fasnacht closed the floor for nominations and proceeded with a roll call vote for Brian Eisenacher for Vice President: Scheibley - Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Eisenacher – Accepted.

The Secretary reiterated the votes.

Mayor Fasnacht announced Brian Eisenacher as Vice President of Council.

**Mayor Fasnacht passed the gavel to President Ochs.**

President Ochs headed the meeting with the following appointments/reappointments:

- ♦ Motion made by Vice President Eisenacher, second by President Ochs to appoint James Scheibley as President Pro Tem (to preside in the absence of both the President and Vice President).  
Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Abstain, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes.
- ♦ Motion made by Adams, second by Strickler, to retain Shane Hobbs of the Law Office of Shane Hobbs, as Borough Solicitor.  
Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes, Motion passed.
- ♦ Motion made by Strickler, second by Adams, to retain Shea Lucas as Borough Secretary and Treasurer.  
Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes; Motion passed.

- ♦ Motion made by Adams, second by Vice President Eisenacher, to retain L. Samuel Deegan, PC as Borough Auditor. Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes; Motion passed.
- ♦ Motion made by Vice President Eisenacher, second by Strickler, to retain Light-Heigel & Associates as Borough Engineer and UCC Compliance Officer. Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes; Motion passed.
- ♦ Motion made by Scheibley, second by Adams, to retain Schuylkill County Municipal Authority as the Borough's Water and Sewage Service Provider. Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes; Motion passed.
- ♦ Motion made by Scheibley, second by Adams, to retain Lewis Moyer as the Borough Health and Safety Officer. Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes; Motion passed.
- ♦ Motion made by Vice President Eisenacher, second by Adams, to retain Miners Bank and Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) as depositories for borough funds. Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes; Motion passed.
- ♦ Motion made by Scheibley, second by Vice President Eisenacher, to Appoint Kathleen Krammes as Vacancy Board Chair. Roll call vote: Eisenacher – Yes, Scheibley – Yes, Strickler – Yes, Adams – Yes, Ochs – Yes; Motion passed.  
*Kathleen accepted the position.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Motion made by Adams, second by Vice President Eisenacher, approving the December 12, 2023 Regular Minutes and December 20, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes. All in favor; Minutes approved.
- Motion made by Vice President Eisenacher, second by Adams, approving the Expenditures. All in favor; Motion passed.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Mayor Fasnacht expressed his appreciation for all the volunteers in the Borough. He is thankful for everything they do.
- Scheibley recommended getting Wex gas cards again through Costars for both of the borough trucks.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- Motion made by Adams, second by Strickler, to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting at 6:55 p.m. All in Favor; Meeting adjourned.

**ATTEST:**

*Alea D. Lucas*

**PRESIDENT:**

*William Ochs*