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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 @ 8:00 A.M.

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The purpose of this special meeting is to consider acceptance of Sandy Township resident petitions that request that implementation of consolidation of the City of DuBois and Sandy Township be halted pending completion of the forensic audit and all legal processes involved.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Board Present:

William Beers

Barry Abbott

Kevin A. Salandra

Mark Sullivan - Arrived at 8:04

Samuel Mollica

Staff Present:

Shawn Arbaugh, Manager

Theresa Bracken ,Secretary-Treasurer

Others: See sign in sheet.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

NEW BUSINESS

Sandy Township Concerned Citizens Group – Petitions Presentation

Citizens of Sandy Township got together and circulated petitions to provide to the Township Supervisors to support the position that we have currently in front of the Clearfield County Court system, which is to put a stay on consolidation until the results of the forensic audit and all associated legal processes are resolved.

Cheryl Shenkle and Albert Varner, residents of Sandy Township were in attendance to present the petitions to the Board.

Mr. Varner explained the different items presented. One was a list of registered voters of the Township by precinct that was provided by the election office. Another item was a one hundred and ten page petition containing over one thousand signatures and then a smaller list of recent signatures collected by Libby Roudybush. Mr. Varner explained that the names on the larger petition have been verified.

Cheryl Shenkle added that all the names have been verified and that a digital copy was provided to Manager Arbaugh. She stated that there are approximately 1160 names on the list. She went on to say that a lot of volunteers worked hard on this, put in many hours and followed all the rules as best they could. She feels that they got a good sampling of all the people in the Township.

Manager Arbaugh asked if they had an estimate of the number of names on all of the sheets.

Cheryl Shenkle stated that she believes there are at least 1150.

Chairman Beers- So over a 1000.

Also, he noted that Supervisor Sullivan did make it in.

Supervisor Abbott asked if this petition matches the Township's case.

Manager Arbaugh replied that the petition does match what we submitted. If the Supervisors were to accept these petitions then this will be included in our amended complaint, which will be filed this week. These petitions will be posted on our website as a public document and then our amended complaint will reference that public document.

Supervisor Mollica- Will the judge want these folks to be at the meeting? Or would you recommend they be at the meeting?

Manager Arbaugh- It's probably not a bad idea for them to show up at the at the hearing if they're available and also to deliver the petitions to the judge. The Township can't really hand the physical petitions to the judge. That's why we're going to reference them through our public document on the website.

The hearing is currently scheduled for October 11th at 1:00pm. That could potentially change.

Supervisor Sullivan made a motion to accept the petitions as presented. Supervisor Salandra seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken.

Barry Abbott – aye

Samuel Mollica – aye

Mark Sullivan – aye

William Beers – aye

Kevin Salandra – aye

Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Supervisor Sullivan made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Salandra seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken.

Barry Abbott – aye

Samuel Mollica – aye

Mark Sullivan – aye

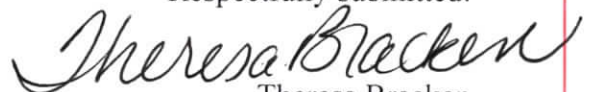
William Beers – aye

Kevin Salandra – aye

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 am.

Respectfully submitted:



Theresa Bracken
Secretary-Treasurer