

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PORTAGE CITY COUNCIL OF OCTOBER 10, 2017 - BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPLICANTS

Mayor Peter Strazdas called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. The following Councilmembers were present at this meeting: Councilmembers Richard Ford, Jim Pearson, Patricia Randall and Terry Urban, Mayor Pro Tem Nasim Ansari and Mayor Peter Strazdas. Councilmember Claudette Reid was absent with notice and excuse. Also present were Deputy City Manager Rob Boulis and City Clerk James Hudson. City Clerk Hudson announced that all of the current Board and Commission Members with expiring terms indicated that they were interested in reappointment. Each Board and Commission interview segment began with Council, staff and the applicants introducing themselves.

* From 5:15 p.m. to 5:39 p.m., Applicant Robert El Henicky indicated that he was no longer interested in serving on the Senior Citizens Advisory Board, but is still interested in the Historic District Commission. City Council interviewed Arthur Roberts, Jo A. McCrumb, Nicki Gillette and Mary Lou Petrulio for the Senior Citizens Advisory Board. Discussion followed.

* From 5:40 p.m. to 5:44 p.m., City Council interviewed Todd Gasaway for the Master Electrician vacancy on the Construction Board of Appeals, and Construction Board of Appeals Chair Larry Schmidt was present for questions. Discussion followed.

* From 5:45 p.m. to 5:54 p.m., City Council interviewed Linda Fry and Jeff Wettig for the Zoning Board of Appeals. Discussion followed.

* From 5:55 p.m. to 6:14 p.m., City Council interviewed Jay Woodhams, Bill Lenehan and Meredith Place for the Planning Commission. Planning Commission Chair Wayne Stoffer was present for questions. Discussion followed.

* From 6:15 p.m. to 6:25 p.m., City Council interviewed Deidre Courtney Nieves, Brian Harrison and Tim Winslow for the Environmental Board. Environmental Board Chair Bill Beck provided an overview of some of the recent endeavors and responsibilities of the Board and was present for questions. Discussion followed.

* From 6:26 p.m. to 6:32 p.m., City Council interviewed Jessie Duniphan, Martha Maytnier, and Robert El Henicky for the Historic District Commission. Discussion followed.

* From 6:33 p.m. to 6:44 p.m., City Council interviewed Amanda Woodin, Alice Mwanda, Meredith Place and Rebecca Lopez for the Human Services Board. Discussion followed.

* From 6:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., City Council interviewed Elanor Riley, Rebecca Lopez, Bill Lenehan, Lana Escamilla and Ryan Johnson for the Park Board. Park Board Vice Chair Jonathan Peer and Parks Department Director Kathleen Hoyle were present for questions and discussion followed.

* From 7:01 p.m. to 7:05 p.m., City Council interviewed Bill Lenehan for the Economic Development Corporation/Tax Increment Finance Authority/ Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Discussion followed.

ADJOURN: Mayor Strazdas adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

James R. Hudson, City Clerk