

**WHITEMARSH TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

**JANUARY 3, 2017**

The Annual Organizational Meeting of the Whitemarsh Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 8:00 PM, in the Whitemarsh Township Building, 616 Germantown Pike, Lafayette Hill, PA.

Supervisors Present: Amy Grossman, Melissa S. Sterling, Michael Drossner, James A. Totten and Laura Boyle Nester.

Also Present: Richard L. Mellor, Jr., Township Manager.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**OATH OF OFFICE**

The Honorable Todd Eisenberg, Justice of the Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas, was present to administer the Oath of Office to the elected Supervisor Michael Drossner.

**SELECTION OF TEMPORARY POSITIONS**

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Drossner (Vote 5-0), Supervisor Laura Boyle Nester was appointed as the Temporary Chair for the Whitemarsh Township Board of Supervisors.

On a Motion by Supervisor Drossner, seconded by Supervisor Sterling (Vote 5-0), Richard L. Mellor, Jr. was appointed as the Temporary Secretary of Whitemarsh Township.

**ELECTIONS OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling seconded by Supervisor Totten (Vote 5-0) Supervisor Amy P. Grossman was elected Chair of the Board of Supervisors for Whitemarsh Township.

On a Motion Supervisor Drossner seconded by Supervisor Boyle Totten (Vote 5-0), Supervisor Melissa S. Sterling was elected Vice-Chair of the Board of Supervisors for Whitemarsh Township.

**APPOINTMENTS**

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Nester (Vote 5-0), Richard L. Mellor, Jr. was appointed Township Manager and Secretary by approving his employment agreement with the Whitemarsh Township.

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Nester (Vote 5-0), Leonard R. Gricoski was appointed Finance Director, Treasurer and Assistant Secretary of Whitemarsh Township.

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Totten (Vote 5-0), Christopher P. Ward was appointed Chief of Police of Whitemarsh Township.

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Boyle Nester (Vote 5-0), Charles L. Guttenplan, AICP PP was appointed Zoning Officer of Whitemarsh Township.

On a Motion by Supervisor Totten, seconded by Supervisor Sterling (Vote 5-0), Sean P. Kilkenny of the Law Offices of Sean Kilkenny was appointed Solicitor for Whitemarsh Township.

On a Motion by Supervisor Drossner, seconded by Supervisor Sterling (Vote 5-0), James C. Sullivan, P.E. of the T & M Associates was appointed Engineer for Whitemarsh Township.

On a Motion by Supervisor Nester, seconded by Supervisor Drossner (Vote 5-0), the following Nominees were appointed to serve on the Vacancy Board for 2017:

- Shari Petrakis (Supervisor Boyle Nester’s Nominee)
- Beth Waks (Supervisor Grossman’s Nominee)
- Ari Greis (Supervisor Drossner’s Nominee)
- Debra Brenner (Supervisor Sterling’s Nominee)
- James Thompson (Supervisor Totten’s Nominee)

**Various Board, Commission, and Committee Member Reappointments**

On a Motion by Supervisor Nester, seconded by Supervisor Drossner (Vote 5-0), the Board of Supervisors re-appointed the following individuals to the appropriate Boards and Commissions for the appropriate terms:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>BOARD OR COMMISSION</b>	<b>TERM</b>	<b>TERM ENDING</b>
James Behr	ZONING HEARING BOARD	5 years	12/31/2021
Peter Cornog	PLANNING COMMISSION	4 years	12/31/2020
James Hoban	PLANNING COMMISSION	4 years	12/31/2020
Stephen Ziegler	SHADE TREE COMMISSION	5 years	12/31/2021
Thomas Manley	PARK & RECREATION BOARD	4 years	12/31/2020
Carolyn Hanel	WHITEMARSH AUTHORITY	5 years	12/31/2021
Helene Klein	LIBRARY BOARD	3 years	12/31/2019
Dara Nasatir	LIBRARY BOARD	3 years	12/31/2019
Nancy Brown	HARB	4 years	12/31/2020
Susannah Conicello	EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD	2 years	12/31/2018
John Lukens	EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD	2 years	12/31/2018
Chris Lane	OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE	3 years	12/31/2019
Deborah Lamb	OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE	3 years	12/31/2019
Crystal Taylor	MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY	3 years	12/31/2019
Karen Green	HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION	3 years	12/31/2019
Nancy Langerfeld	ETHICAL STANDARDS ADVISORY	5 years	12/31/2021

Lester Weinraub	ETHICAL STANDARDS ADVISORY	5 years	12/31/2021
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On a Motion by Supervisor Drossner, seconded by Supervisor Sterling (Vote 5-0), the Board of Supervisors appointed the following individuals to the appropriate Boards and Commissions for the appropriate terms:

Jeanette Quirus	Whitemarsh Authority	5 years	12/31/2017
Rachel Bach	Park & Recreation Board	4 years	12/31/2020

**RESOLUTIONS**

**1. Establishing Board of Supervisor Meeting Schedule Format**

On a Motion by Supervisor Nester seconded by Supervisor Drossner (Vote 5-0), the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution #2017-01, which lists the planned Board of Supervisors Meetings for 2017.

**2. Establishing Travel and Business Expense Policy**

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Nester (Vote 5-0), the Board of Supervisors adopted **Resolution #2017-02**, establishing the Township Travel and Business Expense Policy for 2017.

**3. Establishing Holidays for Non-Uniformed, Non-Union Township Employees**

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Totten (Vote 5-0), the Board of Supervisors adopted **Resolution #2017-03**, establishing the Township Holiday's for Non-Uniformed, Non-Union Employees in 2017.

**MOTIONS**

**1 Selection of Township Depositories**

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Drossner (Vote 5-0), the Board of Supervisors approved the selection of Township Depositories for the deposit of Township funds in 2017.

**2. Certify Delegates to PSATS Annual Conference**

On a Motion by Supervisor Sterling, seconded by Supervisor Totten (Vote 5-0), the Board of Supervisors appointed Amy P. Grossman as the voting delegate to the 2017 PSATS Conference on behalf of Whitemarsh Township.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Chair Grossman thanked the Board for the re-appointment to the Chair position and she looks

forward to working with the Board of Supervisors in 2017. She congratulated Supervisor Drossner on his election.

Supervisor Sterling wished everyone Happy New Year and congratulated Supervisor Drossner.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chair Grossman announced no executive session was held prior to this meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a Motion by Supervisor Drossner, seconded by Supervisor Sterling the Board of Supervisors Annual Organizational Meeting for January 3, 2017 was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard L. Mellor, Jr.  
Township Manager