

# CITY OF CORRY

COUNCIL CHAMBERS/ZOOM

7:00 P.M.

JANUARY 4, 2022

The annual Reorganization meeting was called to order by City Clerk Smith followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was given by Rev. Mary Norton

- (1) Oath of Office – City Clerk Smith gave the oath to:
- a) Michael E. Baker as Mayor
  - b) Jeffrey T. Fike as Council Member
  - c) Kristen D. Lindstrom as Council Member
  - d) William W. Hammond III as City Controller
  - e) Levi G. Kelly as City Treasurer

- (2) Roll call found Mayor Baker, Mr. Roche, Mr. Fike, Mr. Sproveri, and Mrs. Lindstrom along with the Police Chief Cherry, Fire Chief Lathrop and Deputy Fire Chief Hodak.

- (3) Appointment of Department Directors for 2022

- a) A motion was made by Mr. Fike and seconded by Mr. Sproveri to re-appoint William Roche as Director of Finance and Accounts and Deputy Mayor for 2022. The motion carried unanimously.
- b) A motion was made by Mr. Fike and seconded by Mrs. Lindstrom to re-appoint Andrew Sproveri as Director of Public Safety for 2022. The motion carried unanimously.
- c) A motion was made by Mrs. Lindstrom and seconded by Mr. Sproveri to appoint Jeffrey Fike as Director of Streets and Public Improvements for 2022. The motion carried unanimously.
- d) A motion was made by Mayor Baker and seconded by Mr. Fike to appoint Kristen Lindstrom as Director of Parks and Public Improvements for 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

- (4) Mr. Fike made a motion to receive and file the following letters of interest:

- a) Jeffrey Zupanc – Redevelopment Authority
- b) Steve Drake – Municipal Authority
- c) Tina Freeman – Redevelopment Authority
- d) James Taylor Sr – International Property Maintenance Code Board
- e) Michael Largenticha – any position
- f) Scott Eberle – Redevelopment Authority
- g) Mark Ziegler – Zoning Board
- h) Robert Frazier – Municipal Authority
- i) David Knapp – Redevelopment Authority
- j) Kevin Amy – Municipal Authority
- k) Thomas Blair – Municipal Authority

The motion was seconded by Mr. Roche and carried unanimously.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**OATH OF OFFICE**

**ROLL CALL**

**W. ROCHE  
FINANCE DIR.**

**A. SPROVERI  
SAFETY DIR.**

**J. FIKE  
STREETS DIR.**

**K. LINDSTROM  
PARKS DIR.**

**LETTERS OF INTEREST**

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| (5)  | Mayor Baker re-appointed Michael Cherry as Chief of Police for 2022.  | <b>M. CHERRY<br/>POLICE CHIEF</b>            |
| (6)  | Mr. Sproveri made a motion to re-appoint James Lathrop as Fire Chief for 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.   | <b>J. LATHROP FIRE<br/>CHIEF</b>             |
| (7)  | Mr. Sproveri made a motion to re-appoint Jerred Hodak as Deputy Fire Chief for 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.   | <b>J. HODAK DEPUTY<br/>FIRE CHIEF</b>        |
| (8)  | Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint Jerred Hodak as Interim Fire Chief effective January 2, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sproveri and carried unanimously.  | <b>J HODAK<br/>INTERIM FIRE<br/>CHIEF</b>    |
| (9)  | Appointment of Authority Members for 2022:  |  |
| a)   | Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint Kevin Amy to a five year term on the Municipal Authority, said term will expire on the 31st day of December, 2026. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.  | <b>K. AMY<br/>MUNICIPAL AUTH</b>             |
| b)   | Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint David Knapp to a five year term on the Redevelopment Authority, said term will expire on the 31st day of December, 2026. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lindstrom and carried unanimously.   | <b>D. KNAPP<br/>REDEVELOPMENT<br/>AUTH</b>   |
| (10) | Appointment of Board and Commission Members for 2022:   |  |
| a)   | Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint Michael Largenticha to a three year term on the Tree Committee, said term will expire on the 31st day of December, 2024. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sproveri and carried unanimously.  | <b>M. LARGARTICHA<br/>TREE<br/>COMMITTEE</b> |
| b)   | Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint William Wilt to a five year term on the Planning Commission, said term will expire on the 31st day of December 2026. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roche and carried unanimously.  | <b>W. WILT<br/>PLANNING<br/>COMMISSION</b>   |
| c)   | Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint Mark Ziegler to a three year term on the Zoning Board of Adjustment, said term will expire on 31st day of December, 2024. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.   | <b>M. ZIEGLER<br/>ZONING BOARD</b>           |
| d)   | Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint James Taylor Sr to a three year term on the International Property Maintenance Code Board, said term to expire on the 31st day of December, 2024. The motion was seconded by Mayor Baker and carried unanimously.   | <b>J. TAYLOR SR<br/>IPMC BOARD</b>           |
| (11) | Appointment of Administrative Officers for 2022:  |  |
| a)   | Mayor Fike made a motion not to re-appoint Jason Biondi as the City Manager for the current year and to advertise for the position. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lindstrom. Mr. Roche asked what Jason Biondi's status is at this point. Mayor Baker stated today is his last day. Mr. Roche asked what is the reason. Mr. Roche stated that he is here to make Corry more attractive to employees and employers wanting to move to town. He does not see this as a motion to move forward in that purpose. Mayor Baker stated it was a personnel decision and we discussed it and he talked to Mr. Biondi today. Mr. Roche stated he was not involved in any personnel decisions. Mayor Baker stated it was be him and Mr. Biondi. Mr. Roche stated his comment stands that he doesn't believe this helps Corry. Mr. Sproveri stated he agrees with Mr. Roche and stated that everyone wants transparency and he would have been more than willing to share his knowledge of Mr. Biondi in the last six years. Mr. Sproveri believe | <b>CITY MANAGER</b>                          |

that Mr. Biondi has help the City more than any ten people could have. Mayor Baker stated he thinks Mr. Biondi did a fine job inside the building. Mr. Sproveri asked if there was no thought about making some changes or adjustments to keep him onboard. Mr. Baker state he talked with Mr. Biondi and they agreed on what we were going to do. Mr. Roche stated he still believes the standard procedure is that if you have an employee that you do not like what they are doing is to coach them out of it. Because it is too expensive to go out and hire. For the first year they are basically learning and not contributing anything.

Vote found: Mayor Baker, Mr. Fike and Mrs. Lindstrom voting in favor, Mr. Roche and Mr. Sproveri voting against. Motion carried.

- b) Mr. Fike made a motion to table the appointment of the Zoning Officer for review of procedures. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lindstrom and carried unanimously.
- c) Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint Nickolas Heil as Interim Business Manager to be reviewed quarterly. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lindstrom. Mr. Sproveri asked why interim. Mayor Baker stated we are going to be advertising for a new City Manager and Mr. Heil should be afforded that opportunity. Motion carried unanimously.
- d) Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint G. Michael Grill as the Building Code Official for the current year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sproveri and carried unanimously.
- e) Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint Jerred Hodak as the Interim Code Enforcement Officer to be reviewed quarterly. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.

**ZONING OFFICER**

**N. HEIL  
INTERIM  
BUSINESS MGR**

**G. GRILL  
BUILDING CODE  
OFFICIAL**

**J. HODAK  
INTERIM CODE  
ENFORC.OFFICER**

(12) **Appointments by Finance Director:**

- a) Mr. Roche made a motion to use the following Depositories for City Funds during the current year; the First National Bank, PNC Bank, Northwest Savings Bank, and Key Bank. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.
- b) Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint William Roche, Finance Director; William Hammond III, City Controller; and Nickolas Heil, City Business Manger; as principal signers on all City of Corry bank accounts with various institutions. Mr. Fike seconded the motion which carried unanimously.
- c) Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint William Roche, Finance Director; William Hammond, City Controller; Nickolas Heil, City Business Manger; and Levi Kelly, City Treasurer as principal signers on all City of Corry bank accounts related to tax collection with various institutions. Mrs. Lindstrom seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**DEPOSITORIES**

**SIGNERS OF ALL  
BANK ACCOUNTS**

**SIGNERS OF TAX  
COLLECTION  
ACCOUNTS**

(13) **Appointments by Safety Director:**

- a) Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint Roger B. Hasbrouck as First Assistant Chief of the Corry Regional Fire Company for the current year. Mrs. Lindstrom seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**R. HASBROUCK  
1<sup>ST</sup> ASST FIRE  
CHIEF**

- b) Mrs. Lindstrom made a motion to appoint John Hasbrouck as Second Assistant Chief of the Corry Regional Fire Company for the current year. Mr. Roche seconded the motion which carried unanimously.
- c) Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint John Maloney as Third Assistant Chief of the Corry Regional Fire Company for the current year. Mr. Roche seconded the motion which carried unanimously.
- d) Mrs. Lindstrom made a motion to appoint Joel Warner as First Captain of the Corry Regional Fire Company for the current year. Mayor Baker seconded the motion which carried unanimously.
- e) Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint Steven Griffis as First Lieutenant of the Corry Regional Fire Company for the current year. Mr. Fike seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**J. HASBROUCK  
2<sup>ND</sup> ASST FIRE  
CHIEF**

**J. MALONEY  
3<sup>RD</sup> ASST FIRE  
CHIEF**

**J WARNER  
1<sup>ST</sup> CAPTAIN**

**S. GRIFFIS  
1<sup>ST</sup> LIEUTENANT**

**(14) Appointments of delegates:**

- a) Mr. Roche made a motion to appoint Andrew Sproveri as voting delegate and appoint Jerred Hodak as alternate voting delegate of the Conelway Regional Emergency Management Agency (CREMA) for the year of 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.
- b) Mr. Fike made a motion to appoint Michael Baker, Mayor; Andrew Sproveri, Director of Public Safety; Michael Cherry, Police Chief; Jerred Hodak, Interim Fire Chief and William Roche, Deputy Mayor as CREMA authorized resources requestors for the year of 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roche and carried unanimously.
- c) Mrs. Lindstrom made a motion to appoint Jeffrey Fike as voting delegate of the Northwest Tri-County Council of Governments (COG) for the year of 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roche and carried unanimously.
- d) Mr. Sproveri made a motion to re-appoint Joanne Smith as primary voting delegate and appoint Nickolas Heil as the first alternate voting delegate and the ECTCC Chairman as the second alternate voting delegate for the City of Corry to the Erie County Tax Collection Committee (ECTCC) for the year of 2022 and to adopt Resolution 22-01 appointing delegate to the ECTCC. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fike and carried unanimously.

**A. SPROVERI &  
J. HODAK  
CREMA VOTING  
DELEGATES**

**CREMA  
AUTHORIZED  
RESOURCES  
REQUESTORS**

**J. FIKE  
COG VOTING  
DELEGATE**

**J. SMITH &  
N. HEIL  
ECTCC VOTING  
DELEGATES**

- (15) Mr. Fike made a motion adjourn the reorganizational meeting at 7:29 pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roche and carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne M. Smith  
City Clerk