

JANUARY 3, 2012 RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

Moe Rayan – Tonight January 3, 2012 Re-organization Meeting for Municipality of Penn Hills. Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moe Rayan – Induction of Council Members: Judge Zottola

Judge Zottola – Good evening everyone. It is my honor to be here again this evening to administer the Oath of Office to Mayor Anthony DeLuca. I was asking his Father how many years has it been since I have been out here administering the Oath of Office, it was sixteen years ago that I first administered the Oath of Office to then Councilman DeLuca and we were hoping that he would do a good job, he demonstrated that he did a good job and the voters awarded him with their confidence by electing him Mayor and he has demonstrated that he is truly a leader for this Municipality and truly a leader for this Community especially in these tough economic times so it is my great honor to be able to administer the Oath of Office to Mayor DeLuca. Thank you.

Judge Zottola – repeat after me.

Mayor Anthony DeLuca – I, Anthony L. DeLuca, duly elected Mayor of the Municipality of Penn Hills, do solemnly swear that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of this Commonwealth and the Home Rule Charter of The Municipality of Penn Hills, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with Fidelity.

Judge Zottola – congratulations Mayor.

Moe Rayan – thank you Judge. Mr. Palumbo.

Mayor DeLuca – Let me just say what an Honor it is to swear in Mr. Palumbo, Mr. Underwood and Mr. Futules. It is a pleasure working with them on Council and they do a great job for the taxpayers in Penn Hills and I look forward to working with them again. Repeat after me.

Mr. Palumbo – I, Joseph Palumbo, duly elected Council Member of the Municipality of Penn Hills, do solemnly swear that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of this Commonwealth and the Home Rule Charter of The Municipality of Penn Hills, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with Fidelity.

Mayor Deluca – congratulations, Mr. Palumbo.

Mr. Palumbo – thank you.

Mayor DeLuca – Mr. Underwood.

Mr. Underwood – I, Gary Underwood, duly elected Council Member of the Municipality of Penn Hills, do solemnly swear that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of this Commonwealth and the Home Rule Charter of the Municipality of Penn Hills, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with Fidelity.

Mayor DeLuca - congratulations, Mr. Underwood.

Mr. Underwood – thank you.

Mayor DeLuca – Nick Futules

Nick Futules – I, Nick Futules, Duly elected Controller of the Municipality of Penn Hills, do solemnly swear that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States the Constitution of this Commonwealth and The Home Rule Charter of The Municipality of Penn Hills, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with Fidelity.

Mayor DeLuca – congratulations.

Nick Futules – thank you.

Mayor DeLuca – Judge, before you leave I just want to thank you for swearing me in. It has been a pleasure serving the residents of Penn Hills and I greatly appreciate you coming out here. I know you are busy and have to leave but I do have a present for you, my wife Beth will give it to you.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Kuhn	– Present
Mr. Palumbo	– Present
Mr. Underwood	– Present
Dr. Kincaid	– Absent
Mayor Deluca	– Present

Roll Call – 4-0.

Also present were Manager Rayan, Secretary Sorce, and Solicitor Alexander.

Mayor DeLuca – first we are going to do the appointments. I would like to appoint Sara Kuhn as Deputy Mayor. Do I have a second? Mr. Underwood seconded the appointment. Motion has been made all in favor say I. Congratulations Sara.

Mrs. Kuhn – thank you Mayor.

Mayor DeLuca – next I would like to appoint our Solicitor, Craig Alexander, is there a second? Mr. Palumbo seconded the appointment. Motion has been made. All in favor say I. Craig, I would like to introduce you as our new Solicitor. First to say something is Nick Futules.

Nick Futules - I just wanted to thank everybody for the continued support and for being here and I really appreciate everything. Thank you.

Mayor DeLuca – Mr. Palumbo

Mr. Palumbo – I would like to thank my wife Nancy, my daughter Angela, Joe for being here tonight. I would also like to thank the people of Penn Hills for our past four years and I hope we are going to have another good four years in front of us. Thank you.

Mayor DeLuca – Mr. Underwood

Mr. Underwood – I would like to start off by thanking obviously my wife she really puts up with me more than what you people really know about but I thank her for hanging in there all these years. I would also like to thank the Democratic Party for being behind me in my campaign and also other workers I know about that are there in my corner fighting for me. Everybody here on Council as well and even some of the workers here in Penn Hills. I really appreciate it and the tax payers as well. Thank you.

Mayor DeLuca - I would like to thank my wife, Beth and my sons, my one son could not be here. Thank you for your support for me for running for office. I would also like to thank the Democratic Committee for their support in helping us run a campaign. I want to thank the tax payers and I just want to thank this Council because we have made great strides and our Manager, Moe Rayan who has done a fantastic job as the Manager for the Municipality of Penn Hills. We have made great strides from building a Library to single Tax Collector. I know Sara when we first got on here like our budget we were hoping to end the year with \$100,000.00 in the budget and with the Manager we are ending this past year with \$1.7 million is it (Moe Rayan - \$1.8) \$1.8 million so we are making fantastic strides. S&P gave us - we are currently at an A- but they gave us an A- stable which is fantastic for any Municipality and what that means for a Community if we ever do a refinancing chances are S&P will move us up from an A- to an A which will reduce our borrowing costs so we just have to continue on the course that we are at and I just want to thank everyone. I want to thank my Mom and Dad for all their support and help. Thank you.

State Representative Anthony DeLuca – I have the prerogative of being the State Legislator to come up here and say a few words. I want to commend the Mayor and this Council for the fine job that you have been doing on behalf of the residents of the Municipality of Penn Hills. You came in tough times and you did a good job. You brought the Municipality back with our Manager there and with your watching over what the business is doing and I think the residents made a wise choice in picking this Mayor

and Council. For years they were on the wrong path and as we all know Penn Hills is a great Community and I always say it is the best Community and some place special in the Eastern Suburbs and we have to continue to grow on that and the fact is with your leadership and the Mayor and Council's leadership this Community is going to grow, people are going to come back and move in because of the fact it is a great Community and we are making a lot of progress here. You see two new businesses are moving in, Walmart is on the way. I was talking to some of the people in Harrisburg and that is still on the drawing board and they are making progress, they took out some permits so I just want to commend you and wish you the best of this New Year and wish you and your families a healthy and Happy New Year and God Bless You in the New Year. Thank you very much.

Mayor DeLuca – thank you.

Mrs. Kuhn – I just want to congratulate all my Council, Joe Palumbo, Gary Underwood and of course Nick Futules and especially our Mayor Anthony DeLuca. It is a privilege and an honor to serve on this Council. Most of us in the audience remember when the Mayor's first term came in and what a nightmare he came into and he has never disappointed this Council, he has never disappointed the Municipality and the people who he represents. He has brought through his leadership a wonderful transition from what was to what is and when I am out in the Community I tell everyone Penn Hills has not only seen the light at the end of the tunnel we are through the tunnel and I want to say the reason why this Council works so well is because of the leader we have. He has no personal agendas, he has no power struggle and he treats each and every one of us with the most utmost respect and it is an honor to serve under him. I want to let everyone know that our Controller's birthday is today so if we could all wish him a Happy Birthday.

Mayor DeLuca – and with that we are heading to Mohan's so I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor DeLuca entertained motion to adjourn.

Mrs. Kuhn made a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 P.M.

MAUREEN M. SORCE
MANAGER'S SECRETARY

DATE

