

MINUTES

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF THE CITY OF CHAMPAIGN

DATE: January 16, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Feinen called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Matthew Gladney Daniel Iniguez
William Kyles Vanna Pianfetti
Kathy Shannon Davion Williams
Alicia Beck Michael Foellmer
Chairperson Feinen

BOARD MEMBERS

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Thomas Yu, Township Attorney

CORRESPONDENCE:

- The Glen and Walton Family regarding Champaign Township Candidate Concern

Board Member Pianfetti, seconded by Board Member Gladney, moved to accept the correspondence and place it on file. A voice vote was taken on the motion; all voted yes.

APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR:

Chairperson Feinen explained how the meeting will proceed, noting each candidate will receive five minutes to speak, followed by Board Member's questions, audience participation, and Board Member comments.

The following candidates spoke:

- Rita Conerly
- Kyle Patterson
- Gilson Terriberry

Town Board Members' questions for each candidate included:

- Besides Strides, what do you see as the top two or three priorities and how would you intend to strategically ensure we are meeting those priorities?

- Can you provide an example of a transformational change you made to a program or project you were directly involved in, and how did you determine who to include, and what was the outcome?
- What ideas do you have for obtaining long term funding for the Strides shelter?
- The Township and the Strides shelter can be an all-encompassing, kind of a draining thing, so talk a little bit about how you might maintain your work life balance so that it's a sustainable job that you can continue in for a long period of time.
- How do you plan to balance the needs of shelter with the traditional needs of the Township now that they are merged together?

Audience Participation: The following members of the audience spoke regarding this item:

- Mark Medlyn, Champaign
- Martel Miller, Champaign
- Danisha Grant, Champaign
- Justin Michael Hendrix, Champaign

Town Board Members' Comments: Town Board members' comments included appreciation to all the candidates; the need for experience; and appreciation to outgoing Supervisor Quarnstrom.

Nominations: Mayor Feinen explained the nomination process. City Attorney Yu confirmed the nominated candidate's oath of office, as well as the acceptance of Supervisor Quarnstrom's resignation will be held at a future meeting. CM Kyles nominated Kyle Patterson; all other Council Members passed. A roll-call vote was taken on the nomination of Kyle Patterson; all voted yes, except Board Member Williams who abstained.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Passed 2024-0101 "An Ordinance Appointing a Person to Fill a Vacancy in the Office of City of Champaign Township Supervisor"

Chairperson Feinen noted the name "Kyle Patterson" will be inserted into the Ordinance. Board Member Pianfetti, seconded by Board Member Gladney, moved to adopt the Ordinance. A roll-call vote was taken; all voted yes.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

TOWN BOARD AND TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: None

NEXT MEETING: The next Regular Township Meeting will be held on February 6, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT: Board Member Pianfetti, seconded by Board Member Gladney, moved to adjourn. A voice vote was taken; all voted yes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Glenda Robertson
Deputy Town Clerk