



Peekskill Business Improvement District Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes for Tuesday, March 13, 2018 @ 6PM

Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce

One South Division Street, Peekskill, NY

Meeting was called to order at 6:05PM.

Present: John Sharp, Frank Pugliese, Jeorjia Shea, Deputy Mayor Kathleen Talbot, James Pinto, Ann Scaglione, Louie Lanza, Brendon Fitzgerald. Absent were Sean Kearney, Giovanni Stiefelmann. Also present was Jeff Tracy.

Election Results: Results of the Election were read by President Sharp.

Property Owners: Brian Fassett received 20 votes, Frank Pugliese received 14 votes.

Commercial Tenants: Jeff Tracy received 18 votes and John LaSorsa, who removed himself from consideration, received 3 votes.

Mr. Sharp stated that there were a number of irregularities involving only ballots that contained write-in candidates and that the election committee, which has full and final authority over the elections, decided to void all write in candidates and proceed with the election count.

Ms. Shea requested the board to hear from the members present regarding the election and Mr. Sharp allowed comment. Comments from various BID member Arne Paglia and provisional BID member Eileen Warmbrand were heard and why some write in candidates were invalidated. Mr. Sharp and Mr. Fitzgerald (election committee members) explained the reasoning.

Motion was made by Mr. Sharp and seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to accept the election results as presented, motion was carried, with one abstention.

Officer Nominations: Nomination of Board members for officer positions were put in abeyance until newly elected Mr. Fassett could be present; agreed by all present; current officers will remain in their positions until new officers are elected.

Motion made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to have the Executive Director send a letter to all property owners, advising all of the vacancy on the Board and to invite any interested property owner to notify the BID in writing no later than April 1, 2018; unanimously carried by those present.

Deputy Mayor Talbot response: Deputy Mayor Talbot thanked the Election Committee for their hard work and diligence with the election. She also took issue with the accusations

made against the committee and herself, and stated that they were unfounded and unwarranted. She noted that she willingly took on the additional responsibility of the position as City Council appointee to the BID Board. She pointed out that Mr. Paglia could have won election to the board if he had followed the process like Mr. Fassett and Mr. Pugliese.

Motion was made by Mr. Sharp, second by Mr. Fitzgerald for adjournment—motion carried unanimously.

Meeting close at 6:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Pugliese

Secretary