

## Highspire Borough Reorganization Meeting

January 2, 2024

Mayor Hess administered the Oath of Office to Council Members A. Kay Sutch, Carolee A. Roman, Dorothy A. Matesevac and Mark J. Accorsi.

Mayor Hess called the reorganization meeting of the Highspire Borough Council to order at 7:02 p.m. The prayer was offered by Mayor Hess and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken.

Council Members Present:                    Robert Sutch  
    Mark Accorsi  
    Dorothy Matesevac  
    A. Kay Sutch  
    Carolee Roman  
    Michael Anderson  
    Tyler Thatcher

Mayor:    Von Hess  
Borough Manager:                            Mark Stonbraker  
Assistant Borough Manager:                Absent

### **Nominations & Election of Council President**

Mayor Hess opened the floor for nominations for Council President. Member Thatcher nominated Michael Anderson. After hearing no more nominations Mayor Hess closed the floor for nominations. A roll call vote was taken.

Robert Sutch	voted for	Michael Anderson
Mark Accorsi	voted for	Michael Anderson
Dorothy Matesevac	voted for	Michael Anderson
Michael Anderson	voted for	Michael Anderson
Carolee Roman	voted for	Michael Anderson
A. Kay Sutch	voted for	Michael Anderson
Tyler Thatcher	voted for	Michael Anderson

By a vote of 7-0 Michael Anderson was elected as Council President.

### **Nominations & Election of Council Vice President**

Mayor Hess opened the floor for nominations for Council Vice-President. Member Roman nominated Mark Accorsi. After hearing no more nominations Mayor Hess closed the floor for nominations. A roll call vote was taken.

Robert Sutch	voted for	Mark Accorsi
Mark Accorsi	voted for	Mark Accorsi
Dorothy Matesevac	voted for	Mark Accorsi
Michael Anderson	voted for	Mark Accorsi
Carolee Roman	voted for	Mark Accorsi
A. Kay Sutch	voted for	Mark Accorsi
Tyler Thatcher	voted for	Mark Accorsi

By a vote of 7-0, Mark Accorsi was elected as Council Vice President.

President Michael Anderson and Vice-President Mark Accorsi then took their seats at the Council table and President Anderson took over the meeting.

After discussion regarding the Appointment of Committees, Council President Anderson noted that the 2024 Committee list is as follows: Vice-President Accorsi was moved to Administration/Finance replacing Member Roman, Member Roman was moved to Sanitation taking the place of Vice-President Accorsi.

Motion moved by Member Thatcher seconded by Member R. Sutch to appoint Mark L. Stonbraker as Borough Manager/Secretary. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion moved by Member Thatcher, seconded by Member R. Sutch to appoint Mark L. Stonbraker as Borough Treasurer. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion moved by Member Matesevac, seconded by Member Roman to appoint Deanna Proctor as Assistant Borough Manager/ Secretary. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion moved by Member Roman, seconded by Member Thatcher to appoint Michael Cassidy and the Law firm of Johnson, Duffie as Borough Solicitor. Member R. Sutch and Member Matesevac voted nay. Discussion followed. Motion approved.

Motion moved by Vice-President Accorsi, seconded by Member R. Sutch to appoint Boyer & Ritter as the Borough Auditor/Accountant. Motion approved unanimously

Motion moved by Member Matesevac, seconded by Member R. Sutch to appoint Robert Lauriello and Rettew Associates, Inc. as Borough Engineer. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion to appoint a Chairman to the Borough Vacancy Board was tabled until the January 9, 2024 meeting.

**Citizen's Comments**

None

With no other business to discuss President Anderson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion moved by Member Roman, seconded by Vice-President Accorsi to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Deanna J. Proctor  
Assistant Borough Manager