

Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting
Monday, April 3, 2023
6:00 pm

MINUTES

Committee: Chairwoman, Ms. Burckley, Ms. Webb, and Mr. Weiss

Mayor Urscheler

Staff: Mr. Krack, Ms. Getzfread, Chief Marshall, Chief Brazunas, and Ms. Donato (as needed).

Deputy Chief Dixon – TowerDIRECT

- I. Call to Order at 6:00 pm. Ms. Webb excused.
- II. Presentations - None
- III. Committee Member Updates/Discussions - None
- IV. New Business
 - A. Review Monthly Fire and Ambulance Reports.
 - B. Consider request from Christopher Book for appointment to the Human Relations Commission for the vacant term expiring March 31, 2026.

Mr. Book provided his background and his move to the Borough.

Ms. Burckley asked Mr. Book about his experience in the field of Human Relations.

Mr. Book explained he is the chair of the group at his company dealing with LGBTQ+ and his company's sponsorship of a local Pride event. He is active in fundraising for transgender rights and its impact on the community.

Mr. Weiss asked if he was aware it is a three-year term and does he have any issues serving the term.

Mr. Book stated he intends to make Phoenixville is home and is already involved with the Phoenixville Jaycees. He stated Phoenixville is very diverse and is a welcoming community.

Mr. Weiss asked what attracted him to the HRC.

Mr. Book explained his reason for wanting to serve on the commission and is interested in helping with a self-review of the Phoenixville Community. He hopes to assist in making the community safe for everyone.

Ms. Burckley agrees the commission should move forward with the self-assessment.

Mr. Weiss made a Motion to recommend appointing Christopher Book to the Human Relations Commission for the vacant term expiring March 31, 2026. Seconded by Ms. Burckley. Motion Approved 2-0.

- C. Consider request from Frank Markey for appointment to the Recreation Board for the vacant term expiring April 30, 2025.

Tabled to next month while the committee reaches out to Mr. Markey.

- D. Call for Residents interested in being appointed to various Boards and Commissions. Current vacancies exist on the Zoning Hearing Board, HARB, Recreation Board, and Human Relations Commission

Ms. Burckley encouraged the residents interested in applying for the various vacancies on the Boards and Commissions to reach out to Council or to contact the Borough for more information.

V. Current Focus Business

- A. Community Policing
- B. Emergency Management.
- C. PXV Inside Out

Mr. Krack reported the he and the Solicitor reviewed and updated the Resolution which provides for Temporarily Permitting Outdoor Seating as we are generally past events leading to the original Resolutions in 2021 and 2022. He stated the revised Resolution will be in the packet for Council at the April 11, 2023 meeting.

- D. Downtown Shuttle.

VI. Public Participation - None

VII. Executive Session - Personnel

VIII. Adjournment. Mr. Weiss made a Motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:15 pm. Seconded by Ms. Burckley. Motion passed 2-0.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, May 1, 2023 at 6:00 pm.