

**TOWN OF BETHANIA COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MINUTES
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2019**

On November 14, 2019, the Board of Commissioners meeting for the Town of Bethania was called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Mayor Deborah Stoltz Thompson. In attendance at the Alpha Chapel, 5385 Ham Horton Lane, were Mayor Deborah Stoltz Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem Michelle Leonard and Commissioners Tom Beroth, Chris Sapp and Brent Rockett.

Commissioner Beroth gave the invocation. Mayor Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Mayor Thompson asked for a motion to adopt the Agenda of the November 14th meeting. Commissioner Beroth made a motion to adopt the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously (Attachment A).

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Thompson announced the annual Tree Lighting is scheduled for Sunday, December 1, beginning at 5:00 PM, with the tree lighting around 6:00 PM.

Town Clerk, Karen Keller, is at home and recovering after surgery.

Old Richmond Fire Department will hold their annual fundraiser, a Community Appreciation Chicken Stew Dinner on November 16, beginning at 5:00 PM.

The Bethania Historical Association will be holding a fundraiser for the Bethania Schoolhouse on November 16, with a lunch beginning at 12:30 PM and the program beginning at 2:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Thompson asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2019 Board Meeting. Commissioner Sapp made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Thompson asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting (Audit Exit Conference) of October 18, 2019. Commissioner Rockett made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously. The Board signed the minutes.

SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD: Mayor Thompson administered the oath of office to Commissioners Michelle Leonard, John Rogers and Randy Rogers. The Commissioners signed the oaths (Attachments B, C and D.)

ELECTION OF MAYOR: Commissioner Leonard made a motion to elect Brent Rockett as Mayor. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Deborah Stoltz Thompson administered the oath of office to Mayor Brent Rockett. The Mayor signed the oath (Attachment E).

APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO TEM AND FINANCE OFFICER: Discussion ensued, with the following Commissioners being appointed:

Mayor Pro Tem: Commissioner Michelle Leonard nominated by Commissioner Beroth.
Motion passed unanimously.

Finance Officer: Commissioner Tom Beroth nominated by Commissioner Leonard.
Motion passed unanimously.

RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION: Commissioners and audience members thanked Mayor Thompson and Commissioner Sapp for their service. In return, Mayor Thompson and Commissioner Sapp thanked the Commissioners and audience members for their support and assistance throughout the years.

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING: Mayor Rockett stated the regular December Board meeting is typically canceled. A Special Meeting can be called if needed.

Commissioner Beroth made a motion to cancel the regular December Board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no specific public comments, just remembrances and informal discussions of past Mayors, Commissioners and staff.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Beroth made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted for approval, the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of November 14, 2019, consisting of three pages.

**Submitted by Karen Keller
Town Clerk**

APPROVED BY:

**Brent S. Rockett
Mayor, Town of Bethania**

**Michelle Leonard
Mayor, Pro Tem**

Randy J. Rogers

John Rogers

**Tom Beroth
Finance Officer**