

**Towanda Borough
Special Council Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2024**

The Towanda Borough Council Special Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at the Borough Municipal Building, 724 Main Street, Towanda, PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by President Eberlin.

ROLL CALL:

Present: President Eberlin, Mr. Roof, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Saring, Mr. Kovalcin, Mr. Shulze, Vice-President Christini, Mrs. Hatch & Mr. Parks

Absent:

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

PERSONNEL DISCUSSION:

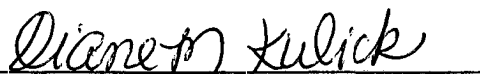
President Eberlin called for this meeting to discuss the topic of organizational structure and personnel.

At 7:02 President Eberlin called for an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter & legal matter involving the terms and conditions of an employee's contract and the borough's rights and responsibilities under the contract. The Executive Session ended at 8:09 PM.

After the Executive Session, President Eberlin asked for any comments. It was at this time that Mr. Parks made the motion and stated that it was with a "heavy heart" that we terminate Lauren (Ms. Hotaling) as the Borough Manager, which would include a severance package. Mr. Kovalcin seconded that motion. President Eberlin asked for a vote from all that were in favor of termination with exercising the buyout/severance option of Ms. Hotaling's contract to raise their hand. There were 6 hands in favor. President Eberlin then asked for a vote of all opposed to termination and exercising the buyout/severance option of Ms. Hotaling's contract to raise their hand. There were 3 hands opposed. It was a 6 to 3 vote. The motion to terminate Ms. Hotaling's contract executing the buyout option carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Eberlin asked at this time for a motion to adjourn. Vice-President Christini, made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Saring. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.



Diane M. Kulick
Towanda Borough Secretary