

**COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP**  
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**Columbia Township Board**

*Special Meeting Minutes*

Location: Columbia Township Hall

Date: January 24, 2020 Time: 5:00 pm

*Call to order:*

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Norton at 5:15 pm.

*Pledge of Allegiance*

*Roll call:*

Present: J. Huizenga, B. Sherrer, R. Collins, L. Norton, C. Case (joined at 5:27 pm)

Absent: None

**New Business**

*Appoint Clerk for Remainder of Term*

Ken Speicher and Christy Case each addressed the board on their interest in being appointed to the Clerk position and the reasons they each believed they would be a good fit. Each answered questions from the board.

Moved by Trustee Huizenga to appoint K. Speicher as Clerk of Columbia Township. Being no second, motion fell to the floor.

Moved by Treasurer Collins and seconded by Supervisor Norton to appoint C. Case as Clerk of Columbia Township. Roll call vote: B. Sherrer - yes, R. Collins - yes, J. Huizenga - no, L. Norton - yes. Motion carried.

Christy Case was sworn in as Clerk by Supervisor Norton. C. Case took her seat with the board and joined the meeting.

**Other Business**

*Resignation of Township Secretary*

Moved by Trustee Huizenga and seconded by Clerk Case to accept resignation of Rhonda Collins as Columbia Township Secretary. Roll call vote: B. Sherrer - yes, R. Collins - yes, J. Huizenga - yes, C. Case - yes, L. Norton - yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Treasurer Collins seconded by Trustee Huizenga to advertise the Secretary opening on Township website, Indeed.com, flyer posted in the hall and an ad in the local newspaper. Roll call vote: B. Sherrer - yes, R. Collins - yes, J. Huizenga - yes, C. Case - yes, L. Norton - yes. Motion carried.

#### *November 2019 Minutes*

Moved by Supervisor Norton and seconded by Treasurer Collins to correct minutes from the 11/19/2019 meeting minutes to match the video recording. Roll call vote: B. Sherrer - yes, R. Collins - yes, J. Huizenga - yes, C. Case - yes, L. Norton - yes. Motion carried.

#### *Request from Township Attorney*

As the Township attorney has requested a closed meeting with the board to discuss current litigation brought by Mr. Speicher, the board agreed to meet after the previously scheduled budget meeting on Feb. 3, 2020.

#### **Public Comments**

D. Beckwith expressed his desire to have commented prior to the proceeding today.

#### **Adjourn**

Moved by Trustee Huizenga seconded by Supervisor Norton to adjourn at 5:45 pm. Vote: All ayes. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Christy Case, Clerk on February 3, 2020.

Board approved at February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting.