

**SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**May 20, 2015**

The Pleasant Valley Town Board held a Special Town Board on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 7:00PM at Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley.

**PRESENT:** Steve Albrecht Councilman  
Mark Figliozi Councilman  
Steve Latino Councilman  
Lisa Milicaj Councilwoman  
Carol Campbell Supervisor

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Carol Campbell, Supervisor

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Margaret Hart, Town Clerk

**PURPOSE:** Appointment of Town Justice

Supervisor Campbell asked the Town Board how they would like to handle the meeting would they like to hold interviews in Executive Session or would they like interview in with the public.

Councilman Figliozi, Councilman Latino and Councilwoman Milicaj stated that they would like to go into Executive Session to hold the interviews.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion by Councilwoman Milicaj, seconded by Councilman Latino the Town Board entered into Executive Session at 7:07 under Public Officers Law section 105.1 (f) personnel or matters leading to the appointment of employment, carried.

Supervisor Campbell asked the candidates for the position Town Justice to please stand and introduce themselves to the Town Board.

Candidates are;

Richard Kasina

Mike Kranis

Tom Vasti

Supervisor Campbell asked the Town Board in what order would they like to do the interviewing in alphabetical order or just chose who they would like to interview first. The Town Board agreed on alphabetical order.

Motion by Councilwoman Milicaj, seconded by Councilman Latino the Town Board came out of Executive Session at 9:13PM, to appoint the position of Town Justice, carried.

Supervisor Campbell noted that the Town Board has a resolution for the appointment of Town Justice and the resolution will be read in the order of the interviews.

Item # 1 – Appointment of Town Justice:

Supervisor Campbell read the following resolutions:

**TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD**

**TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION NO.: 121A/2015**

**RE: APPOINTMENT OF TOWN JUSTICE**

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in the office of Town Justice as the result of the resignation of Paul Caltagirone effective May 15, 2015; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley hereby appoints Richard Kasnia as Town Justice effective immediately for a term expiring on December 31, 2015.

MOTIONED BY: None

SECONDED BY: None

DATED: May 20, 2015

**ROLL CALL:**

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Councilman Albrecht

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Councilman Figliozzi

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Councilman Latino

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Councilwoman Milicaj

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Supervisor Campbell

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**TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD**  
**TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION NO.: 121B/2015**

**RE: APPOINTMENT OF TOWN JUSTICE**

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in the office of Town Justice as the result of the resignation of Paul Caltagirone effective May 15, 2015; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley hereby appoints Michael Kranis as Town Justice effective immediately for a term expiring on December 31, 2015.

MOTIONED BY: Councilman Albrecht

SECONDED BY: Supervisor Campbell

DATED: May 20, 2015

**DISCUSSION:**

Discussion took place before the vote.

Supervisor Campbell revealed that she has used Mike Kranis as her personnel Attorney at times. Supervisor Campbell doesn't feel this will affect her from being fair and honest in his appointment to Town Justice.

Councilman Latino feels that all the gentleman were qualified and it was a pleasure to talk to them.

Councilwoman Milicaj feels that Supervisor Campbell should abstain from voting, did not realize that he was her Attorney at one point.

Supervisor Campbell noted that she has used Mike Kranis for personnel matters and that she had obtained an opinion from the Town Attorney.

Councilman Latino noted that a reason for abstaining from voting would be if there was a conflict, if there is not a conflict the Supervisor can vote.

Town Attorney, Scott Volkman has reviewed it and his view is that there is no conflict established either by the Town's code of ethics or by general municipal law of the State of New York. It would just require the Supervisor to disclose the relationship but it would not require her to abstain from voting. Councilman Latino noted that you shouldn't abstain from voting if there is no conflict.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Councilman Albrecht	X	
Councilman Figliozzi		X
Councilman Latino		X
Councilwoman Milicaj		X
Supervisor Campbell	X	
Failed.		

**TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD  
TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION NO.: 121C/2015  
RE: APPOINTMENT OF TOWN JUSTICE**

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in the office of Town Justice as the result of the resignation of Paul Caltagirone effective May 15, 2015; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley hereby appoints Thomas Vasti, III as Town Justice effective immediately for a term expiring on December 31, 2015.

MOTIONED BY: Councilman Latino

SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Milicaj

DATED: May 20, 2015

**DISCUSSION:**

Supervisor Campbell noted that she has one comment regarding the appointment of Mr. Vasti and that would be that this is a very important position and I myself are unable to support someone who is expected to enforce the law and at this time has not complied with the law.

Councilman Figliozi stated that the comment is out of line.

Supervisor Campbell doesn't feel it was out of line.

**ROLL CALL:**

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Councilman Albrecht		X
Councilman Figliozi	X	
Councilman Latino	X	
Councilwoman Milicaj	X	
Supervisor Campbell		X

Carried.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion by Councilman Figliozi, seconded by Councilwoman Milicaj the Town Board adjourned the meeting at 9:30PM, carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Margaret Hart*

Margaret Hart, Town Clerk

