

Board - Committee - Commission - Council:

RMLD Board of Commissioners

Date: 2023-06-07 Time: 1:00 PM
Building: Virtual Location: Zoom

Address: Session: Open Session

Purpose: General Business Version: Final

Attendees: **Members - Present:**

David Talbot, Acting Chair; Robert Coulter, Commissioner; Marlena Bita,

Commissioner.

Members - Not Present:

Philip Pacino, Chair.

Others Present:

RMLD Staff: Gregory Phipps, General Manager; Erica Morse, Executive

Assistant.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Philip B. Pacino, Secretary Pro Tem

Topics of Discussion:

Call Meeting to Order

Acting Chair Talbot called the Board of Commissioner's (BoC) meeting to order at 1:00 PM and announced that the meeting would be held remotely on Zoom.

Opening Remarks and Introductions

Acting Chair Talbot noted the absence of public attendees but emphasized the importance of recognizing public comments.

Chair Pacino was absent from the meeting.

Vacant RMLD Board of Commissioner's Seat

Acting Chair Talbot recognized and thanked Commissioner John Stempeck for his many years of dedicated service to RMLD and the Town of Reading. Commissioner Bita acknowledged Mr. Stempeck's 12 years of dedicated service and credited him with RMLD's significant contributions to RMLD during his tenure.

Commissioner Bita raised a question about the public posting of the position.

Mr. Phipps explained the procedure post the vote:

- Notification to the Town of Reading of a BoC approved vote to fill the open position with an appointment.
- A 15-day posting period for potential applicants.
- A joint meeting with the Board of Commissioners and the Town of Reading Select Board (proposed for June 27th at 7 PM).
- Ms. Morse will handle coordination of these steps.

Acting Chair Talbot made a **motion**, seconded by Chair Bita, that the RMLD Board of Commissioners fill the open RMLD Board of Commissioner position with an interim appointment via a joint meeting and vote with the Town of Reading Select Board. The interim appointment with be valid through April 2024, at which time a regularly scheduled election will be held. **Motion Carried: 3:0:1** (3 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent): *Roll Call Vote: Acting Chair Talbot, Aye; Commissioner Coulter, Aye; Commissioner Bita, Aye.*

Scheduling

Commissioner Coulter expressed a potential scheduling conflict with the suggested meeting date and requested a remote participation option.

Acting Chair Talbot also indicated a scheduling conflict for June 27th and suggested considering an alternative date.

Mr. Phipps noted the possibility of rescheduling to the first or second week of July.

Mr. Phipps highlighted Ms. Morse's recent scheduling adjustments to the warrant schedule due to Commissioner Stempeck's vacancy, ensuring a grace period for the incoming appointment to adjust.

Adjournment

At 1:10 PM, Commissioner Coulter made a **motion**, seconded by Commissioner Bita, that the RMLD Board of Commissioners adjourn regular session. Note: Roll call vote required **Motion Carried: 3:0:1** (3 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent): Roll Call Vote: Acting Chair Talbot, Aye; Commissioner Coulter, Aye; Commissioner Bita, Aye.

A true copy of the RMLD Board of Commissioners minutes As approved by a majority the Commission.

Philip B Pacino
Philip B Pacino (Oct 2, 2023 11:30 EDT)

Philip B. Pacino, Secretary Pro Tem RMLD Board of Commissioners

As approved on September 28, 2023