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**MINUTES
LA PORTE COUNTY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2025**

The Reorganizational Meeting of the La Porte County Council was held on Monday, January 6, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. (local time) in the Assembly Room of the La Porte County Government Complex, 809 State St., La Porte, IN 46350.

The meeting will be called to order at 5:01 pm by Auditor Michael Rosenbaum, who asked everyone to silence their cell phones and stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for former president, Jimmy Carter.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Chief Deputy Auditor, Joie Winski. The following members were present: Brett Kessler, Adam Koronka, Justin Kiel, Randy Novak, Mike Mollenauer, Jimmy Pressel, and Mark Yagelski. All members were present.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF 2025 LA PORTE COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICERS

Auditor Rosenbaum opened the floor for nominations for president of the Council. Brett Kessler nominated Adam Koronka and Randy Novak seconded the nomination. Hearing no additional names, a vocal vote was taken and was unanimous.

President Koronka then asked for nominations for Vice President of the Council. Justin Kiel nominated Brett Kessler and Randy Novak seconded the nomination. Hearing no additional names, a vocal vote was taken and was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Koronka asked for the approval of the agenda with two amendments: Add approval of the agenda and remove from the agenda the appointment of Lauren Arnold to the Health Board, her term does not expire until 2027.

Vote was as follows: Sikorski – Mollenauer, Novak, Yagelski and Pressel
Schaeffer- Kessler, Koronka and Kiel
Matt Sikorski was appointed on a 4-3 vote.

LaPorte County Economic Development Commission

No current member. Member is appointed by both Commission & Council

A discussion took place. Matt Riordan stated that this appointment only happens at specific times when needed. It was decided to wait until needed.

FMEC

*Current members: Randy Novak 12/31/24
Mike Rosenbaum 12/31/24*

Mark Yagelski nominated Randy Novak.
Justin Kiel nominated Jimmy Pressel.
Vocal vote was taken and both were appointed 7-0.

PTABOA (2)

*Current members: Bob Bailey 1/1/25
Erica Miller 1/1/25*

Mark Yagelski nominated Bob Bailey.
Justin Kiel nominated Ken Purze.
Randy Novak nominated Erica Miller.
Vote was as follows: Bailey – Yagelski, Pressel, Novak, Mollenauer, Kessler
Purze – Kiel, Koronka
Miller- Novak, Pressel, Yagelski, Mollenauer, Koronka, Kiel, Kessler

Parks & Rec

Current member: Ronald D. Knickrehm 1/1/25 (must be a republican)

Mr. Knickrehm was reappointed 7-0

Plan Commission

*1 member appointed by the County Fiscal Board from its membership
Current member: Earl Cunningham 12/31/26*

Mark Yagelski nominated Jimmy Pressel who was appointed on a 7-0 vote.

Michigan City Public Library (1)

Current member: Dale Cooper – exp 12/31/24

Dale Cooper was nominated by Mike Mollenauer and appointed by a 7-0 vote.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Randy Novak and supported by Jimmy Pressel. Vote was 7-0 to adjourn.

EXAMINED & APPROVED BY THE LA PORTE COUNTY COUNCIL this 27th day of January, 2025.



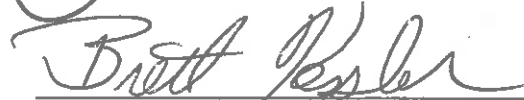
Councilman President Adam Koronka



Councilman Justin Klei



Councilman Randy Novak



Councilman Brett Kessler



Councilwoman Mike Mollenhauer



Councilman Jimmy Pressel



Councilman Mark Yagelski

ATTEST:



Michael Rosenbaum, La Porte County Auditor