

## **BOROUGH OF WEST READING – BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**May 8, 2010 – 9:00 a.m. - Special Meeting**

West Reading Borough Council held a special meeting at Borough Hall on Saturday, May 8, 2010 with the following persons present: Council President Nathalie Kulesa; Council Vice-President Kevin Conrad; Council Members James Gallen, Amy Good-Ashman, Elizabeth Heckler, Deborah Hutcheson, Philip Wert; Mayor Shane Keller; Borough Manager George Tindall; Administrative Assistant Cathy Hoffman.

**VISITORS:**      Michael Doyle                      513 Sunset Road  
                         James A Beane                      303 Reading Avenue

Council President Nathalie Kulesa called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and stated that the purpose of the meeting was to conduct interviews for the position of Borough Manager, and possibly to take action.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Michael Doyle – 513 Sunset Road told Council that the newly installed dusk to dawn lighting at the playground is lighting up his house at night. He asked for alterations to be made to resolve the situation. Mr. Beane, Public Works Foreman who was in attendance, stated that he would shut off the lights for now until a solution is found.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Council recessed to Executive Session at 9:10 a.m. to conduct interviews. When Council reconvened at 11:48 a.m., the following action was taken.

**Moved** by Mr. Gallen and seconded by Ms. Good-Ashman to hire Richard J. Sichler as the Borough Manager contingent on the completion of a background check and that he accepts the package that is being offered. **Voting Yes – Mr. Gallen, Ms. Good-Ashman, Ms. Hutcheson, Mr. Conrad.**  
**Voting No – Mrs. Heckler, Mr. Wert and Mrs. Kulesa.      Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Mr. Gallen and seconded by Ms. Good-Ashman that the package being offered is as follows:  
\$61,500 initial salary  
15 vacation days  
10 personal days (which includes sick time)  
A possible \$1500 increase at the completion of 90 days.

**Motion carried.**

**Other business –** Ms. Good-Ashman brought forward a motion to have Mrs. Kulesa replaced as Borough Council President, however Mrs. Kulesa responded that her letter of resignation for Council President would be on the Borough Manager's desk on Monday morning. It was recognized that Mr. Conrad, as Vice-President will step in as President until further action is taken.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Moved** by Ms. Good-Ashman and seconded by Mr. Wert to adjourn the meeting at 11:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Hoffman  
Administrative Assistant