

## **MEETING MINUTES ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

Council met in an **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING** on Friday, January 2, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Temporary Clerk Ries-Price called the meeting to order and introduced Mrs. Tavia Galonski, Summit County Common Pleas Clerk of Courts who administered the oath of office to Mr. Shorter Griffin as President of Council.

Mrs. Ries-Price turned the meeting over to President Griffin who took his seat . Mrs. Ries-Price called the roll.

Mrs. Galonski administered the oath of office to Mr. Stoll and Mrs. Miller who were elected as Councilpersons At Large who then took their seats.

President Griffin explained that two orders of business would be addressed that evening: (1) appoint a Clerk of Council; and (2) elect a Vice President of Council.

President Griffin asked for nominations for Clerk of Council. It was moved by Ms. Gearhart, seconded by Mr. Harris to nominate Laura Ries-Price as Clerk of Council. President Griffin called for the vote for Mrs. Ries-Price to serve as Clerk of Council. All Members voted "yea." Motion carried. Mrs. Galonski administered the oath of office to Mrs. Laura Ries-Price. as Clerk of Council.

President Griffin asked for nominations for Vice President of Council. It was moved by Mrs. Miller to nominate Ms. Rebecca Gearhart as Vice President of Council. It was moved by Mr. Poorman to nominate Mrs. Emily Beck as Vice President of Council. The Clerk called the roll for each candidate and by a majority vote Ms. Rebecca Gearhart was elected as the Vice President of Council.

Ms. Gearhart was sworn in by Mrs. Galonski as Vice-President of Council.

President Griffin thanked everyone for attending the Organizational Meeting and stated that everyone should participate in government on any level.

With nothing further, it was moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Ms. Gearhart to adjourn.

Adjourned 6:19 P.M.

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Shorter Griffin  
President of Council

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Laura J. Ries-Price  
Clerk of Council