

Lewes BPW
Special Meeting Minutes
January 6th, 2023
3:00pm

1. Welcome, call the meeting to order.

President Panetta called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Board Members

Thomas Panetta
Earl Webb
D. Preston Lee, P.E. (Virtual)
Richard Nichols
A. Thomas Owen

Others

Sharon Sexton, BPW
Kristina Keller, BPW

Ex-Officio Members

Austin Calaman, General Manager
Robin Davis, Assistant General Manager
Michael Hoffman, Legal Counsel (Virtual)

**3. Open forum general discussion to approve honorary resolution.
INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (Tom Panetta).**

President Panetta stated that Board has reviewed two draft resolutions that recognize Ernie Lopez and Steve Smyk.

The first resolution is the recognition of Senator Ernie Lopez.

ACTION: *Mr. Owen motioned to read the resolution 23-001 by title only. Mr. Nichols seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

Mr. Hoffman read resolution 23-001 by title only.

ACTION: *Mr. Owen motioned to approve the resolution 23-001. Mr. Nichols seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

President Panetta stated that Senator Lopez has been a phenomenal asset to all constitutes and specifically the BPW over the years and that his future endeavors will be fruitful.

The second resolution is the recognition of Representative Stephen Smyk.

ACTION: *Mr. Nichols motioned to read the resolution 23-002 by title only. Mr. Owen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

Mr. Hoffman read resolution 23-002 by title only.

President Panetta stated that Representative Smyk is great supporter of the Lewes community and the BPW. Mr. Smyk has accepted a new job as Deputy Sheriff of Sussex County. Mr. Webb stated that Mr. Smyk was in law enforcement for most of his career.

ACTION: *Mr. Owen motioned to approve the resolution 23-002. Mr. Nichols seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

President Panetta stated that a plaque will be presented at the Greater Lewes Foundation dinner, next Friday, to honor Senator Lopez and Representative Smyk. The city will be doing proclamations on Monday.

4. Adjournment

ACTION: *Mr. Nichols motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Owen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

President Panetta adjourned the meeting at 3:06 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Sharon Sexton
Executive Assistant