



## Scott Township Board of Commissioners Voting

Scott Township  
 Monday, January 5, 2026 at 6:00 PM EST  
 301 Lindsay Rd Carnegie Pa 15106 and Zoom

Ms. Altman called the meeting to order with a prayer and a pledge of allegiance.

<b>Roll Call:</b> Eileen Meyers - Present	Michelle Sedlak – Absent
Jane Sorcan - Present	Nick Seibel – Present
Stacey Altman, President - Present	Kathleen Gazda - Present
Samuel Dalfonso, Esq. – Absent	Angela Wateska - Absent
Thomas Castello, Esq. - Present	

**Also present:** Denise Fitzgerald-Township Manager  
 Karla McGill-Assistant Township Manager  
 Marie Hartman - Engineer  
 John Vogel, Esq. – Solicitor  
 Michael Rudolph, Interim Administrative Assistant

Ms. Meyers stated, “you forgot Don.” Ms. Fitzgerald stated that he hasn’t been sworn in yet.

### Recognition of Newly Elected and Re-elected Township Officials

Ms. Altman stated, “again, welcome everyone to our meeting tonight.” Ms. Altman stated that the meeting would begin with the recognition of newly elected and reelected officials. Ms. Altman stated that Jane Sorcan is newly elected for Ward 2 and her term expires on January 7, 2030.

Ms. Altman stated that Samuel Dalfonso, Esq. was re-elected for Ward 4 and that his term expires on January 7, 2030.

Ms. Altman stated that Donald Giudici was elected for Ward 6 and that his term expires January 7th, 2030.

Ms. Altman stated that Michelle Sedlak was reelected for Ward 8 and that her term expires on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2030.

Ms. Altman stated, “Don and Jane, would you like to introduce friends and family that you've brought with you tonight?” Ms. Sorcan stated, “I'd like to introduce my daughter, Christy, and her partner, Corey. I'm so happy that they were able to come tonight.” Mr. Giudici stated that he did not have anybody there and that his wife wasn't feeling well.

### Solicitor's Certification of Elections

Mr. Vogel stated, “I hereby certify that we received the election certificates from Allegheny County.” Mr. Vogel stated, “for Ward 2 it would be Jane Sorcan, Ward 4 Samuel Dalfonso

Esquire, Ward 6 Donald Giudici, and Ward 8 Michelle Sedlak.” Mr. Vogel stated, “we’ve reviewed either copied originals or copies of them. They’re satisfied that they are in order.” Mr. Guidici stated that he is Ward 8 and Ms. Sedlak is Ward 6. Mr. Vogel stated, “let the record reflect that. Thank you.”

#### **Introduction of the Honorable Craig C. Stephens**

Ms. Altman stated, “I would like to introduce Honorable Craig C Stephens. Craig thank you for being here tonight.” Mr. Stevens stated, “thank you for having me. I’m honored to do it. To do the oath.”

#### **Oath of Office**

Donald Giudici and Jane Sorcan came forward, raised their right hand, and were administered the oath of office by Judge Stephens.

Ms. Altman stated, “does anyone have anything they would like to add? Craig, again, thank you.”

#### **Election of Officers**

##### **Nomination/Election of Board President**

Ms. Altman stated, “we’re moving onto election of officers. We’ll open up nominations for the election of board president.” Mr. Castello nominated Ms. Altman. Ms. Meyers seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Ms. Altman stated, “We’ll consider the nominations closed.”

All in favor

Motion carries (6-0)

##### **Nominations/Election of Board Vice-President**

Ms. Altman stated, “next up, nominations, election of Board Vice President. I’ll open up the floor for nominations.” Mr. Castello nominated Mr. Seibel. Ms. Meyers seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Ms. Altman stated, “We’ll consider the nominations closed.”

All in favor

Motion carries (6-0)

Ms. Altman stated, “again, on behalf of both of us, thanks for keeping the team together. We’re happy to be here. We work well together, and we appreciate working with all of you.” Mr. Castello stated, “if I may comment, it’s been wonderful the way you two have worked on the board with us, so I appreciate it. And obviously, that’s why we had confidence in you and are doing this again.” Ms. Altman stated, “we appreciate that. Thank you.”

**Appointments****Motion to Approve**

Ms. Altman stated that she needed a motion to approve continuing the Manager/Secretary's employment agreement for a period of two years as amended. Motioned by Mr. Castello, seconded by Ms. Sorcan.

All in Favor

Motion carries (6-0)

Mr. Castello stated, "You've done a wonderful job for us. Keep it up." Ms. Meyers stated, "bringing in that grant money." Mr. Castello stated, "show me the money."

**Motion to Approve**

Ms. Altman stated that she needed a motion to Motion to re-appoint current Statutory Officers in accordance with 1st Class Township Code as follows:

Denise H. Fitzgerald, Manager/Secretary and Treasurer

John Vogel, Esq., and Tucker Arensberg, P.C., Solicitor

Marie Hartman, P.E. and Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc., Engineer

Motioned by Mr. Giudici, seconded by Ms. Sorcan.

All in Favor

Motion carries (6-0)

**Motion to Approve**

Ms. Altman stated that she needed a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1111-26A, appointing a Chairman to the Vacancy Board for 2026. Ms. Altman stated that Angela Wateska has agreed to take on the position.

All in Favor

Motion carries (6-0)

**Motion to Approve**

Ms. Altman stated that she needed a motion to approve Resolution 1112-26A, appointing a representative and an alternate to the SHACOG Board of Directors. Ms. Altman stated, "Nick has done this, we've had a few other members. The idea that we had was maybe to possibly rotate a few people through it. Is there anyone who's absolutely, do you reject being involved with SHACOG?" Mr. Castello stated that he would not attend.

Mr. Giudici stated that he would not attend. Mr. Giudici stated, "I've served as president and vice president for 8 years. I think someone else should have the opportunity to do it. It's a very good organization, and you should really enjoy yourselves."

Ms. Altman stated, "so, I would like to appoint, Eileen you don't want to do it either?" Ms. Meyers declined. Mr. Castello stated, "I mean you can leave my name on the list, but I doubt if I'd ever make it." Ms. Sorcan stated, "I don't know how much it entails, I don't really know what the commitments are."

Ms. Altman stated, "there's a meeting once a month. I mean, we are all pretty busy with what we've got going on, but it's very important that we have some representation there. So again, my idea was, we found out at another conference that Upper St. Clair, actually the entire board, is nominated and they rotate through the meetings. That way we're guaranteed that somebody attends, and that it's not all on one person."

Ms. Sorcan stated, "Is it more just bringing back information?" Ms. Altman stated yes. Ms. Sorcan stated, "where are the meetings?" Mr. Seibel stated that the meetings rotate through the 13 communities in SHACOG. Ms. Sorcan stated, "well Don doesn't want to do it again." Mr. Giudici stated, "It's hard for me, because my wife's got a lot of health issues, and to be away for that long is asking for trouble."

Ms. Sorcan stated, "and if I couldn't go, there could be somebody else to take my place?" Mr. Castello stated yes. Ms. Altman stated that the purpose of this was to take the pressure off of one person. Ms. Altman stated, "Nick has agreed to be the representative, and then maybe we could assign a few of us as alternates, and that way, and I know she doesn't want to, but I kind of want to put Denise's name in there, too, just so we have it, because again, I feel it's really important that we're there. Does that sound okay?" Ms. Sorcan stated yes.

Mr. Seibel stated, "we probably couldn't appoint Sam either because he's a solicitor for them and that would be a conflict." Ms. Altman stated, "so we'll appoint Nick as representative, and alternates will put on Jane, myself, Kathy did you say you'd do it?" Ms. Gazda stated no. Ms. Altman stated, "we could maybe appoint Michelle." Mr. Vogel stated, "If you want to do, for example, if you have a meeting come up, you can always say, look, you know, someone's out of town. Someone's on vacation. Can someone handle this meeting for one-off? Usually, you'll find some volunteers."

Ms. Altman stated, "they don't Zoom it do they?" Mr. Seibel stated, "they do, but the technical expertise is lacking, so it's not always functional. I would not rely on that." Mr. Castello stated, "So, John, if you're not technically appointed as an alternate, you can still attend, is what you're saying?" Mr. Vogel stated yes. Ms. Altman stated they don't have voting powers. Ms. Fitzgerald stated, "correct. John?"

Mr. Vogel stated, "I mean, I don't know what the board of directors' bylaws state on something like that, but again, the whole purpose is to have someone representing the board at these meetings, so I think as long as someone attends and there's no objection to them being the

representative of Scott Township. There should be no issues as far as voting at SHACOG meetings.”

Ms. Altman stated that she needed a motion to appoint Nick Seibel as representative and alternates would be listed as Jane Sorcan, Stacey Altman, and Denise Fitzgerald. Motioned by Ms. Meyers, seconded by Mr. Castello.

All in favor

Motion carries (6-0)

**Motion to approve**

Ms. Altman stated that she needs a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1113-26A, appointing a representative and an alternate to SHACOG Franchising Authority Board. Ms. Altman stated, “So we would be appointing Nick Seibel as representative, Jane Sorcan, myself, and Denise Fitzgerald as alternates.” Motioned by Mr. Castello, seconded by Ms. Sorcan.

All in favor

Motion carries (6-0)

**Requests from the public**

There were no public comments on the agenda.

**Adjournment**

Ms. Altman stated that she needed a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motioned by Mr. Castello, seconded by Ms. Meyers. Ms. Altman stated, “meeting is adjourned, thank you everyone.”

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Attest:  \_\_\_\_\_

