

BAY COUNTY APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE
BAY COUNTY TREASURER VACANCY
INTERVIEW DENNIS DINAUER
FEBRUARY 7, 2019

JUDGE MINER ANNOUNCED, ALL CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN ASKED TO APPEAR SEPARATELY, SO EACH CANDIDATE DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS BEFORE ANY OTHER CANDIDATE.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 168.209(2) THE JUDGE OF THE PROBATE COURT, THE COUNTY CLERK AND PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SHALL CONVENE AND APPOINT A SUITABLE PERSON TO FILL A VACANCY WHEN A COUNTYWIDE ELECTED OFFICIAL HAS AS VACATED THE POSITION PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE TERM. THE COUNTY TREASURER, RICHARD BRZESINSKI, ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2019, THEREFORE, REQUIRING THE HOLDING OF THESE PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETING ACT.

MEMBERS PRESENT BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE INCLUDE: JAN MINER, PROBATE JUDGE; CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, COUNTY CLERK AND NANCY BORUSHKO, PROSECUTING ATTORNEY. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:00 PM AT THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 515 CENTER AVENUE, BAY CITY MICHIGAN WITH THE FOLLOWING IN ATTENDANCE.

PRESENT: JAN MINER, PROBATE JUDGE
CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, COUNTY CLERK
NANCY BORUSHKO, PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
BRANDON KRAUSE, REGISTER OF DEEDS
TIFFANY JERRY, DIRECTOR PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYEE RELATIONS
REBECCA MARSTERS, PAYROLL AND BENEFITS SUPERVISOR
HOLLY KUKLA, DEPUTY TREASURER
AMBER DAVIS-JOHNSON, CORPORATION COUNSEL
KATHLEEN MEETH, RETIREMENT ADMINISTRATOR

AS TWO (2) MEMBERS CONSTITUTED A QUORUM, IT WAS EMPHASIZED THAT DISCUSSION BETWEEN ANY TWO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WAS PROHIBITED UNLESS AT AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETING. THIS, AND ALL FUTURE MEETINGS WOULD BE PUBLICALLY ANNOUNCED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

CITIZENS INPUT

THERE WERE NO CITIZENS PRESENT WHO WISHED TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE.

INTERVIEW OF DENNIS DINAUER:

THE BOARD QUESTIONED CANDIDATE DENNIS DINAUER, TO PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF HIS BACKGROUND, EXPLAIN HIS MOST RECENT POSITION AND HIS PRIOR EMPLOYMENT HISTORY.

MR. DINAUER STATED THAT HE HAD EXTENSIVE BANKING AND LENDING KNOWLEDGE. HE HAD BEEN WORKING IN THE FINANCIAL FIELD FOR MULTIPLE YEARS. DINAUER STATED THAT WHAT DREW HIM TO THE TREASURER POSITION WAS FINANCIAL AND CASH MANAGEMENT. HE HAD EXPERIENCE WITH BUSINESS AND PERSONAL CUSTOMERS; CASH HANDLING, WITH 100% ACCURACY, STRUCTURING INTO INTEREST BEARING DEMAND ACCOUNT, MONEY MARKET, OR CD'S. DINAUER CONTINUED THAT OTHER SIMILARITIES ARE WITH POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS; IN COMPLIANCE WITH BANKING PROCEDURES; AND WITH LENDING PROCEDURES. HE DETAILED HIS MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE, WITH A LARGE STAFF FOR MANY YEARS. HE PRIDES HIMSELF WITH LOW ABSENTEEISM AND LITTLE TURNOVER.

THE BOARD STATED AS THE POSITION WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR LARGE SUMS OF MONEY, THEY ASKED MR. DINAUER TO TELL THEM ABOUT HIS INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL BACKGROUND AND HOW HE PROPOSED TO IMPROVE THE OFFICE.

MR. DINAUER SAID HIS INVESTMENT STRATEGY WOULD BE SAFE AND ACCURATE. HE CONTINUED WITH HIS INVESTMENT BACKGROUND FROM HIS BANKING EXPERIENCE HE DEALS WITH MONIES ON A BUSINESS AND PERSONAL LEVEL. IN REGARD TO DEMAND DEPOSITS OR CD'S, HE WOULD LOOK AT THE C.D.A.R.S (CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT REGISTRY SERVICE) ACCOUNT, WHICH HAS TO DO WITH F.D.I.C. INSURANCE, WHICH USED ONE INSTITUTION BUT HAVING LARGE DEPOSITS THAT CAN BE BROKEN DOWN INTO MULTIPLE CD'S, AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF F.D.I.C. INSURANCE OF \$250,000 FOR EACH ACCOUNT.

THE BOARD ASKED CANDIDATE DINAUER TO EXPLAIN HIS KNOWLEDGE OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND EXPERIENCE WITH TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES THAT HE FELT WOULD ENHANCE THE OFFICE.

MR. DINAUER STATED THAT HE WAS VERY CURRENT ON THE WORD PROCESSING PROGRAMS. HE CONTINUED, ON THE BANKING SIDE THEY USE FISERV, WHICH WAS TECHNOLOGY WHICH WAS FINANCIAL ASSET BASED USED TO MANAGE ACCOUNTS 100% ERROR FREE. HE STATED THAT HE HAS EXPERIENCE IN BANKING AND LENDING TECHNOLOGIES, HE ALSO HAS EXPERIENCE IN GOVERNMENT BASED, FREDDIE MAC AND FANNY MAE, PROGRAMS.

THE BOARD QUESTIONED MR. DINAUER, WHAT BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND/OR GROUPS HE HAD SERVED ON IN THE PAST, ASKED TO DETAIL ANY SUPERVISORY ROLLS HE HAD HELD.

MR. DINAUER STATED THAT HE WAS CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN A FEW TREASURER'S POSITIONS, HE STATED THAT FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS HE HAS BEEN THE CHAIR OF THE DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT BOARD. DINAUER WAS INVOLVED WITH THE MANAGEMENT BOARD SIDE OF THE DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS. HE CONTINUED THAT HE WAS INVOLVED WITH AUDITS AS WELL AS BUDGETING WITH THE DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT BOARD. HE WAS AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER WITH THE BAY AREA FAMILY YMCA, AND TREASURER OF THE BAY YMCA. MR. DINAUER WAS ALSO INVOLVED WITH THE 100 CLUB OF BAY COUNTY, FOR FALLEN FIRE FIGHTERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS, WHICH HE WAS THE TREASURER. HE WAS ALSO INVOLVED WITH REAL ESTATE AND THE REALTORS ASSOCIATION.

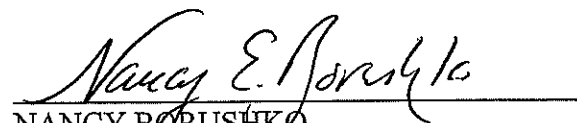
THE BOARD STATED, IN ENTERING A COMMITMENT TO OFFER THIS POSITION TO A CANDIDATE, WOULD HE CONFIRM HIS INTENT TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE IN THE 2020 ELECTION; AS THIS APPOINTMENT WAS ONLY TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020.

MR. DINAUER CONFIRMED THAT IT WOULD BE HIS INTENT TO FILE THE PAPERWORK AND RUN FOR THE POSITION IN 2020. HE DID CONFIRM THAT HE HAD NEVER RUN FOR A PUBLIC OFFICE IN THE PAST. THE BOARD QUESTIONED IF OFFERED THE POSITION HOW SOON HE WOULD BE ABLE TO START. MR. DINAUER STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE HIS CURRENT EMPLOYER TWO OR THREE WEEKS, APPROXIMATELY THE FIRST WEEK OF MARCH WOULD BE HIS START DATE.

MEETING WAS ADJOURN AT 12:41 PM.



JAN MINER
PROBATE COURT JUDGE



NANCY BORUSHKO
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY



CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK
BAY COUNTY CLERK