

The June committee meeting 7/6/2021 was called to order by Borough Council President Bruce Markovich and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The following items were discussed by committee topic in a contiguous manner beginning at 4:00 p.m.:

In attendance at the beginning of the meeting session: Bruce Markovich, Martin Ditsky, William Chuma, Bob Silver Gwyneth Collevchio, and Mayor Michele Bartek.

Public Works :

The Committee is William Chuma, John Turcmanovich, and Martin Ditsky.

William Chuma reported that John Davis from Pa Dot called, and everything has been approved for the street paving projects. Bill added the 800 block of E Ridge St from the intersection from Riley down 372 ft totals \$10,296.00. The following streets are included in the project the unit block of W Kline Ave, 100 block of W Kline Ave, unit block of E Kline Ave, 100 block of E Kline Ave, Leisenring St, Cortright St, Springgarden St from Ridge to Patterson St, Chestnut St, Edgemont Rd. at Frank Gustus's.

There is a drainage problem at Frank Gustus's. Radocha can put a swail in for us for \$3,000.00. The engineer talked to us about the sewer on the 300 block of E Ridge St the sewer needs to go back into the sanitary sewer. They talked about laterals being put in. There are more sewers to do.

The part-time borough worker is leaving for Eldridge Township

Discussed hiring someone part-time Rose Mary Cannon said her Grandson would be interested.

The dump truck needs 2 tires on the front the loader also needs 2 tires on the back at \$600.00 a tire.

They worked on the back of the Borough Office building on the holes that the ground hogs and skunks are going in and out of.

Bruce mentioned that the sewers on the East end of town look good.

Municipal Administration:

The Committee is Bruce Markovich, Martin Ditsky, and Gwyneth Collevchio.

The street light project should go out in the paper tonight. The project has an estimated cost of 131,000.00 we have a grant for \$120,000.00 there is \$5,000.00 owed by Lansford Alive and there is another \$40,000.00 for Ridge St. The prices have gone up so high which will have an effect. Hopefully the project will be done by Fall.

We need to decide on the Borough Garage. We sent a letter to the Water Authority again asking them about that piece of property where we would like to build, they have not gotten back to us yet. We may have to relocate. There is a grant for \$160,000.00 for the garage we must use it this year, so we need to figure out what we are doing.

The roof at Silberline has been blowing open since April it needs to be repaired, we sent letters to Silberline about it, and they have not responded.

There are complications with the COVID money we need a SAMS number to claim the money ours ran out in 2013 we need to re-do the SAMS # to claim the \$319,000.00.

Parks & Recreation :

The Committee is Gwyneth Collevchio, William Chuma, and Marie Ondrus. Gwyneth reported that the Friends of the Lansford Pool and people are disgusted. They are having problems selling the tickets for the chicken dinners because people want to see progress. So, they would like to go ahead and at least get the bathrooms done at the pool. The other thing that was discussed at the committee meetings was getting the Concession Stand cleaned that way if the walls were cleaned, they could bring in some volunteers to paint the walls inside. Rose Mary Cannon talked about the Frackville pool and how they just got a new pool and about the different things they did when applying for a grant for the pool and she mentioned how Dan Meusser's Office may be able to help us even though they are in Schuylkill County. Gwyn is going to reach out to Tom Gerhard tomorrow.

Another discussion started about Lansford Alive events committee and how they always announce the the money raised from Music in the Park goes to the revitalization of Kennedy Park. The upsetting part was the fact that it is an untrue statement, and they would like them to stop using the statement.

Hydrants have been purchased and will be put in as soon as the water authority can install them.

Fireworks were discussed.

Public Safety:

The Committee is John Turcmanovich, Martin Ditsky, and Gwyneth Collevchio.

Civil Service Exams are set for Saturday July 24, 2021 at 9 a.m. here at the borough office for two applicants. There will be a brief break and after that they will go to the high school for a physical agility test. The mayor asked if we could still send more candidates if we had more applications. Bruce told her there was a time limit and it could not be done that led to a discussion on the price of advertising to do it again.

Regionalizing the police force was brought up because of a lack of officers and the fact that it is felt throughout all neighboring police departments.

Jason Helmer handed in his resignation. Bruce mentioned how the mayor allowed the officers to take vacations and that the borough paid a lot of overtime to do that.

Michele mentioned how we need to hire an IT person/company. That we need to get the laptops installed in the cars and that there are other issues downstairs as well as upstairs. Bruce mentioned how the Solicitor looked over Joe Lyon's contract and recommended that we not sign it. Bruce offered to send the things over to Joe Lyon's that Yurchak found wrong. Bill mentioned how we had two companies that were willing to give us proposals, but we were unsuccessful in getting them in downstairs. Michele asked us to re-schedule the IT person/company and she will make sure she is here to go downstairs with them.

They adjourned from the Committee meetings into an executive session.

There are no minutes for the Special Meeting that followed executive session as the recorder shut off on Bruce.

The meeting concluded.

Respectfully Submitted, **Wendy Butrie**, Secretary Treasurer