

The May committee meeting 5/3/2022 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 4:00p.m.

In attendance at the beginning of the meeting session: Martin Ditsky, John Turcmanovich, Jennifer Staines, President Bruce Markovich, Jay Doyle. Mayor Hugh Vrablic was not in attendance William Chuma and Gwyneth Collevchio joined the meetings later.

Municipal Administration:

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

We have been talking about getting a new phone system because when they do snow plowing the girls answer 30-40 phone calls a day. So, we are looking into a different phone system. With this system people call the office they can push 1 for snow plowing 2 for street sweeping 3 garbage.

So, when people call the office, they will get a recording to push 1 for snow plowing or press 2 for street sweeping and 3 for garbage. Penteledata came in a did a quote on the office and the police dept. for a one-time fee they can switch us all over including new phones for the office and police for a onetime fee of \$1900.50 this is a one-time fee for the initial set up. The new system can transfer calls to the police department, code office and when the Borough Garage is built, we can transfer calls there. To add the Voice Recording for install

We received a quote from PenTeleData who can remove our current phones replace with new phones that they supply, update all our equipment. We also have another quote to add the voice system which you can add recordings to for Snow Plowing & Street Sweeping. For both packets together it is \$4100.00 a one-time fee. And then it is \$385.00 a month we do have a lot of phone calls at the office. Bruce mentioned that he wanted Wendy to reach out to Windstream and see if they could give us a quote on the same information.

We have been kicking around here about putting in new windows we found out that the one wall has asbestos in it. So maybe we can just put a window in for him. The rest of the building is clear.

Gwyn and I met with Cloud Services about a new program to combine a way to see everything paid by a particular owner.

PLIGIT- contacted the Borough Association for financial information they said to check with PLIGIT to get someone up here & explain to us which direction would be good for us to go. To bring money back into the Borough.

Public Works:

The Committee is William Chuma, John Turcmanovich, and Jay Doyle.

The guys are just about done sweeping in Coaldale they have a couple of more streets and then they are done.

The paving That we want to do. We did not get any Street Materials Bids back. I am thinking we should only do the 300 block of E. Bertsch St and the 300 block of E. Ridge St. They didn't didn't even have stone when we needed it. Bruce mentioned reaching out to John Davis to see what we can do about the fact that there a no street material bids.

*These minutes are unofficial minutes.

The weed whackers are 10-12 years old. The small chain saw we can't get it repaired. The Sewer Vactor is finally repaired.

There will be some sewers that will need to be done with the paving.

Bruce mentioned how he talked to David Bodnar and he mentioned that we could use our CBDG money to replace sewers every year to start replacing them.

John Turcmanovich asked the status on the Powell Street Sewer Project.

Sharpe and Abbott St Sewer need to be cleaned out if we rip it out, we will need to repair it.

There was a big discussion on the sewer inlets in the Borough.

William gave an update on the Borough Garage and left everyone know that the new Borough Garage can't run it 120 ft. straight across it must be 25ft. perpendicular from the line so we need to shift the plan. To fit on the lot the way they had planned they will have to turn it. Instead of entering the building the way we originally set it up you will now need to enter through the garage.

Public Safety:

John mentioned that the Fire Company Officers mentioned that they still need to set up a meeting with Council. They need help with fund raising. The aerial truck is out of service more than it is in service. They also have a few minor issues they need to discuss with the Borough. John mentioned that the Safety Committee will have to sit down with the Mayor. There are some major scheduling issues downstairs. There has been one officer off for one month and the Mayor needs to work something out. There will be major overtime. The last applicant that we had may have withdrawn. John mentioned that a simple solution would be to bring the state in, but the state won't come in unless it's a dire emergency.

We have no applicants the last two we had wanted us to send them to the academy it fell on deaf ears.

Bruce asked whatever happened with the regionalization that the DA sent letters out about we never even got a letter on it. Maybe we should reach out to Michael Greek on it.

Zoning and Ordinance:

The Committee is Jay Doyle, Jennifer Staines, William Chuma.

Jay said he didn't

Park and Recreation:

The Committee is Gwyneth Collevecchio, William Chuma, Jennifer Staines.

Gwyn mentioned that she looked at swings. We need 2 of them at the pool. Benches are also needed at the pool Gwyn also looked at those and mentioned that 2 were needed. The cost of the benches are 8 ft. long and the price is \$588.85 for one bench.

The guy was down at the pool cleaning the Stand.

Martin Ditsky asked if there was a date for the pool to open. Martin also mentioned that when you walk around the cement building, and you look down there the interior of the pool the far wall needs to be replaced. There was a long discussion on the swimming pool.

Carbon County Chamber of Commerce, Carbon County Economic Development and the Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau is having a Pool Party Bingo on June 14th at 5p.m. at the Lansford Pool. We must get the hardware for mounting the swings. Benches should be permanent.

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Gweyn mentioned that she would like to get this on next week's agenda.

Bruce mentioned that at the end of June Christine Dettore from DCNR was coming here to look at the Kiddie Klothes to put a park back in and to look into putting a park at Cashmere's and see what it would cost. To do all of this we will need a Certified Playground Designer I spoke with ARRO and they mentioned that they mentioned that they have one of those. We are going to look at all the playground facilities that the Borough has she will be here all day and let us know what kind of funding is available.

The meeting concluded.

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