

Call to Order – At 6:00 p.m. by President Bruce Markovich followed by Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Council members attending: Bruce Markovich, William Chuma, John Turcmanovich, Mayor Michele Bartek, Martin Ditsky, Gwyneth Collevchio, Bob Silver and Solicitor Robert Yurchak Marie Ondrus was absent.

Executive Session 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Back on the record at 6:30 p.m.

Executive Session we discussed possible litigation issue & personnel issue.

Public Courtesy –

Rose Mary Cannon – 242 W. Ridge St.- Made a comment to Gwyn that it was a good job with the park and the trees. Rose Mary also mentioned that often the nice things get overlooked take Debbie for example, who goes above and beyond to decorate.

Chris Ondrus - 10 Edgemont Rd. – To the Mayor good job on the decorating of the Borough Building. Thank You to Borough Workers for cutting down some of the trees over the years at Kennedy Park now that it is decorated it looks good. The new barrels that are all over town will be decorated in the next couple of days. I have a question for Martin about a letter that was sent by you and a past member of Council to the Sewer Authority has something to do with changing rates and something with sewer lines I wonder if you can give me any information on this. Martin said responded that he did not remember, nor does he have anything on that. Chris said he will attend the Sewer Authority meeting on Thursday.

Ericka Williams-Rodriguez- 124 E. Abbott St. Affiliated with the Carbon County Dorothy Day House. Ericka mentioned that she is doing a toy give away from the church for the neighboring communities. Bruce asked her if she has any idea of what they are going to do with the building. Ericka said that she was given the idea of Senior Housing, Children’s Museum and that she is open to ideas. Bob Silver asked if she is using the building now, she said she lives in the Rectory. Bob Silver asked her if permits were issued for anything? Ericka replied to No. Ericka also said that the church is used for storage.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

- November 10,2021, Meeting Minutes.

A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by Bob Silver to accept the Meeting Minutes from November 10, 2021, after an edit is made on the last page last motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

- November 22,2021 Special Meeting Minutes.

A Motion was made by John Turcmanovich, second by William Chuma to accept the Special Meeting Minutes from November 22,2021. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Correspondence:

- Handicap Parking Application – 17 Centre St.

A Motion was made by Bob Silver, second by Gwyneth Collevchio to approve the Handicap Parking Space at 17 Centre St. St. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Committee Reports –

- Public Works
- Municipal
- Park & Recreation
- Public Safety

See Attached Committee Report Minutes.

Municipal Monthly Reports for September:

Fire Department – American Fire Co. No 1 responded to 26 incidents in November: 17 in Lansford, 4 in Summit Hill, 4 in Coaldale, 1 other.

Ambulance – For the month of November 54 incidents with a response time of 8.7 minutes.

Mayor's Report –The police went on 241 calls. The mayor reported that there was \$443.69 collected for the month of November. The new systems are in the car now the tickets will be generated right from the car.
Year to date is \$17,668.65

Code Compliance – Jim's report for October he investigated 18 code enforcement complaints, issued 18 Notice of violations, investigated 13 rental complaints performed 17 rental inspections, and investigated 23 zoning issues. The report for November he investigated 21 code enforcement complaints, issued 9 Notice of Violations, investigated 21 rental complaints, performed 14 rental inspections, and investigated 12 zoning issues. The report is on file.
Bob Silver asked when we are going to get a report from the software that we purchased just for that.

Solicitor's Report – We had a Summary Appeal in Carbon County Court against Mr. Wenzelberger owner of 151 W. Ridge St. Judge Serfass found him guilty of all 3 and he was given the max fine of \$600.00 on each one.

Tax Collector's Report – Tax Collector Terrance McCall collected from November 1-30, 2021, \$4,936.35.

A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by John Turcmanovich to accept all the reports. All were in favor. Motion passed.

- A Motion is needed to be made to advertise 2022 Budgets.

A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by Gwyneth Collevecchio to advertise the 2022 budgets. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Bills to Approve

- General Fund - \$152,026.40
- Street Light Fund - \$16,494.89
- Sanitation Fund - \$28,112.00
- Sewer Transmission - \$20,019.70
- Parks & Recreation - \$276.75
- Highway – Liquid Fuels - \$151.43
- Fire Tax - \$0.00
- LST Fund - \$0.00

A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by Gwyneth Collevecchio to pay the bills. All were in favor. Motion passed.

	2021	End of Month Balances		
FUND/ Checking	No.	Account Title	July	August
General Fund	6496	General Acct	\$863,302.15	\$909,665.50
General Fund	6488	Fire Escrow for 22 E Kline Ave	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
General Fund	0826	Fire Escrow for 330 W. Bertsch St	\$37,289.13	\$37,289.13
General Fund	2675	Fire Escrow – 332 W. Bertsch	\$6,003.30	\$6003.83
General Fund	2823	Fire Escrow – 334 E Bertsch St	\$4,510.34	\$4,510.74
General Fund	7013	Fire Escrow – 268 E Patterson St	\$9,863.51	\$9,863.51
General Fund	2153	ARPA Grant Acct.	\$199,060.68	\$199,078.13
General Fund	6438	USDA Grant Acct.	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sanitation Fund	6438	Sanitation Fund	\$255,189.28	\$249,694.40
Sanitation Fund	7373	Sani-investors' Money Mkt Acct	\$51,928.51	\$51,928.51
Sanitation Fund	6454	Sanitation Fund Money Mkt Acct	\$12,055.81	\$12,056.87
Sewer Transmission	6446	Sewage Transmission	\$26,039.57	\$25,739.38
Sewer Transmission	7360	Sewer Transmission	\$165,423.01	\$165,423.01
Sewer Transmission	5402	Sewer Loan Proceeds Acct	\$153,021.50	\$153,021.50

Sewer Transmission	1277	Sewer Trans. CD/Aug-12 mo.	\$51,402.93	\$51,413.84
Sewer Transmission	6470	400 E Snyder Sewer Project	\$73,734.32	\$73,734.18.32
LST	6462	Local Service Tax	\$10,960.09	\$12,699.60
Street Light Fund	6412	Streetlights	\$66,353.11	\$59,342.60
Fire Tax Fund	6371	Fire	\$53,630.77	\$51,650.88
Sp. Highway	6420	Treasurers Special HI Way	\$90,798.50	\$78,847.13
Park & Rec Fund	6363	Lansford Pool Account	\$41,373.62	\$41,377.25
Park & Rec Fund	6404	Recreation	\$44,689.80	\$43,802.87
Total			\$2,216,629.79	\$2,240,149.32
LOANS		LOANS Paid from Fund		
Tax Anticipation Note		1.99% for 1 yr.	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tunnel St/Storm Sep		\$18,689.23 per mo.	\$394,920.50	\$377,714.86
MEM Debacle		20 yrs./\$14,130 biannual May & Nov	\$76,309.11	\$76,309.11
2018 Police RAM		Gen Fund or LST 6/1/18 - 5 yr. lo	\$26,440.53	\$26,440.53
2020 Sewer Loan	5 yr.	Sewer Fund \$1,320.47 per month	\$61,836.31	\$60,627.42
Total			\$559,506.46	\$541,091.92

Unfinished Business:

Special Event Form. There were changes to the Special Event Form.

A Motion was made by John Turcmanovich, second by William Chuma to accept the changes made to the Special Event Form. All were in favor. Motion passed.

New Business:

Hire a Police Officer

A Motion was made by John Turcmanovich, second by William Chuma to hire Robert Todd Lilly as a Part-time Police Officer. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A Motion was made by Bob Silver, second by John Turcmanovich to have the Solicitor file paperwork declaring the property of 151 W. Ridge St. a Nuisance Property. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Repairs to the bucket on the Loader

A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by John Turcmanovich to go ahead with the repairs to the loader bucket at a cost of \$4,101.75. Martin Ditsky was opposed. Motion passed.

Appointment and re-appointment of Officials –

- a) Zoning Hearing Board (3 seats) 2-4yr. terms 1-2 yr. term.
- b) Sewer Authority (2 seats) 5 yr. terms.

A Motion was made by Bob Silver, second by John Turcmanovich to advertise the Officials seats. Bruce and William were both opposed. Motion passed.

Replace the Garage Door to the Borough Garage

William Chuma said the door needs what is called an Operating Mechanism for a cost of \$3850.00 that a new door would cost over \$10,000.00.

A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by Bob Silver to repair the Garage door for \$3,850.00 plus the \$750.00 forklift rental and that is contingent to letting Council know if there is a warranty on the Mechanism. Martin was opposed. Motion passed.

Have the Borough Engineer prepare a plan for Security upgrades to the Borough Office.

A Motion was made by Bob Silver, second by John Turcmanovich to have the Engineer prepare a plan for Security upgrades to the Borough Office. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Extend the contract of Attny. Mike Miller from law firm of Eckert Seamans through the PA Borough Association to include negotiations with Borough Work Force.

A Motion was made by Gwyneth Collevecchio, second by William Chuma to extend the contract of Attny. Mike Miller from law firm Eckert Seamans through the PA. Borough Association to

include negotiations with Borough work force and the upcoming police contract. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Separate Checking Account for Delinquent Tax Money

A Motion was made by William Chuma, second by Bob Silver to open a separate Checking Account for Delinquent Real Estate Money. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Martin asked if Miss. Butrie had been taught anything on QuickBooks yet. Miss. Butrie replied to no. Bruce said after the budget talks.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Butrie

Secretary Treasurer

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