

*Vandling Borough Council Minutes  
July 15th, 2024*

Mr. Carachilo called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Council members present included John Carachilo, Amanda Serge, and Colleen Sullivan. Also present were Solicitor Jeffrey Levine and Secretary Nancy Perri. Councilmembers Bill Matos and Fran Pantzar along with Mayor Prince and Treasurer Jennifer Slick were not present.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Mrs. Serge, second by Mrs. Sullivan, Motion carried with all in favor.

**Correspondence:**

- *Forest City Youth Soccer*
- *Krista Tomazic*
- *Susquehanna County Tax Collection Committee*
- *Lackawanna County Commissioners Meeting Request*

It was agreed that Forest City Youth Soccer continues to have permission to use the fields. Mr. Pantzar requested Mr. Collins to address the potholes by Mrs. Tomazic's home. There was some discussion about high grass at the new development and that they should be fined as any other property owner would. Mr. Carachilo stated that he will have Mr. Lavin send a citation to the Brennan's. Mrs. Sullivan, second by Mrs. Serge motioned to accept the correspondence. Motion carried with all in favor.

A motion to purchase a router and allow the Commissioners to meet in the Borough Building was made by Mrs. Serge, second by Mrs. Sullivan. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Persons to be heard:**

**Treasurer Report**

***Treasurer Report of Financial Status: (final for July)***

	<u>Jul 1, 24</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Checking/Savings</b>	
<b>General Fund</b>	
HNB - 0113	428,806.53
HNB - 4601	<u>5,194.47</u>
<b>Total General Fund</b>	434,001.00
<b>Liquid Fuels Fund</b>	
HNB - 4613	<u>63,555.42</u>
<b>Total Liquid Fuels Fund</b>	63,555.42
<b>Refuse Fund</b>	
HNB - 5401	<u>83,603.06</u>
<b>Total Refuse Fund</b>	83,603.06
<b>CD Balance (.25% Interest Renews 8/24/24)</b>	<u>28,001.28</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	609,160.76

Mrs. Serge, second by Mrs. Sullivan motioned to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Treasurer Report of Receipts: (final for July)**

July 2024 ~ Revenue				
Date	Name	Account	Amount	
07/08/2024	Lack. Co. Recorder of Deeds	310.10 · Real Estate Transfers	4,781.92	
07/08/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	1,238.74	
07/15/2024	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	319.00 · Delinquent Taxes	366.30	
07/15/2024	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	364.00 · Garbage Fees	676.43	
07/15/2024	GPTSO	354.07 · Intergovernmental Revenue	68,222.00	
07/15/2024	Phil Hodges Jr.	320.00 · Building Permits	229.50	
07/15/2024	Tumblin Tots	342.00 · Rent	1,050.00	
07/15/2024	Phil Hodges Jr.	320.00 · Building Permits	166.06	
07/15/2024	John Lavin	320.00 · Building Permits	134.70	
07/15/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	364.00 · Garbage Fees	3,290.00	
07/15/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	301.00 · Real Estate Taxes	1,536.16	
07/15/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	305.00 · Occ. Taxes	744.79	
07/15/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	920.92	
07/17/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	1,147.84	
07/26/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	1,023.76	
07/31/2024	HNB 4613	341.00 · Interest Earnings	34.94	
07/31/2024	HNB 0113	341.00 · Interest Earnings	492.64	
		Total Revenue	\$ 86,056.70	

Mrs. Serge, second by Mrs. Sullivan motioned to approve the revenue report. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Treasurer Report of Expenses: (final for July)**

July 2024 ~ Expenses				
Date	Name	Account	Amount	
07/13/2024	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	87.60	
07/13/2024	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	20.82	
07/13/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	27.60	
07/15/2024	Herlands & Levine	404.10 · Legal Wages & Salary	160.00	
07/15/2024	CNA Surety	403.35 · Tax Collectors Ins & Bond	122.50	
07/15/2024	John Bonham	438.00 · Repair & Maintenance of Roads	341.80	
07/15/2024	NEIC	413.10 · UCC & Code Enforcement	268.89	
07/15/2024	PAWC	448.36 · Water Hydrants	344.55	
07/15/2024	Holt Lumber	409.20 · Bldgs./Grounds Supplies & Exp.	239.03	
07/15/2024	Greenfield Power	430.37 · Borough Truck/Machinery	163.34	
07/15/2024	Forest City News	404.20 · Legal Advertisement	25.75	
07/15/2024	NEP Telephone	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	85.14	
07/15/2024	Casella	427.45 · Contract Sanitation Service	12,062.34	
07/15/2024	DCED	413.10 · UCC & Code Enforcement	40.50	
07/15/2024	PP&L	434.36 · Street Lighting	968.26	
07/15/2024	Jennifer Slick	402.10 · Treasurer's Commissions	400.00	

07/15/2024	Jennifer Slick	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(91.16)
07/15/2024	Nancy Ann Perri	405.10 · Secretary's Wages	400.00
07/15/2024	Nancy Ann Perri	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(97.16)
07/15/2024	Thomas Collins, Sr.	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	739.50
07/15/2024	Thomas Collins, Sr.	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(168.54)
07/15/2024	John Lavin	413.2 · Protective Services Supplies	350.00
07/15/2024	John Lavin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(79.78)
07/15/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	403.10 · Tax Collectors Commissions	114.05
07/15/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(25.91)
07/15/2024	City of Carbondale	410.45 · Police	2,000.00
07/16/2024	UGI PNG	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	36.42
07/16/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	30.56
07/16/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	13.95
07/16/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	77.59
07/16/2024	IRS	6560 · Payroll Expenses	526.94
07/16/2024	Regal (Peterlin 4/9/24)	429.45 - Sanitary Sewer Contract Serv.	375.70
		Total Expenses	\$ 19,560.28

Mrs. Serge, second by Mrs. Sullivan motioned to approve the current expenses. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Mayor Report:** Mayor Prince was not present.

**Solicitor Report:** Attorney Levine had nothing to report at this time.

**Committee Reports & Unfinished Business:**

Mr. Carachilo noted that he will in the Borough Building on Wednesday at 10 AM with vouchers for the farmers market for senior citizens.

While Mr. Pantzar was not present, he provided some updates prior to the meeting including two items previously addressed (potholes and router). He also noted that road paving bids will be opened in August, the garage roof and daycare entrance door have been repaired and that we need to determine what information is required to request reimbursement from the County for these items.

**New Business:**

**Public Comment:**

Kathleen Drob addressed Council in regard to police coverage and the lack of response when called. A resident was setting off commercial grade fireworks and an incident occurred where lights went out and several residents called Carbondale Police through 911. The fireworks were heard in Browndale which signifies the need for a permit. Attorney Levine noted that Mr. Lavin can cite them with a witness statement. It was agreed that we need to follow up regarding the lack of response from Carbondale PD.

Mr. Carachilo would like to send a newsletter out to residences with reminders about Borough issues such as trash collection schedule on a holiday week, mattress collection, no open burning, no parking areas, when a permit is needed for a roof, etc. The Borough Secretary will gather information Council wants shared and prepare a newsletter to send out to residents.

Kathleen Murnin questioned where the permit fees go in the Borough as she had to pay \$400 for a roof permit, which seems high.

It was also noted that there is an issue with citations being issued and the Magistrate granting extensions.

Barbara Bock mentioned a crack in the plastic on the slide in the park that needs attention.

Trees off Ash & Main need to be trimmed as they block oncoming traffic.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM on a motion by Mrs. Sullivan, second by Mrs. Serge.

Minutes were prepared by Borough Secretary Nancy Perri.

*Nancy Perri*  
Signature

*August 18, 2024*  
Date