

*Vandling Borough Council Minutes
June 17th, 2024*

Mr. Carachilo called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Council members present included John Carachilo, Bill Matos, Fran Pantzar, Amanda Serge, and Colleen Sullivan. Also present were Mayor Tom Prince, Solicitor Jeffrey Levine, Treasurer Jennifer Slick and Secretary Nancy Perri.

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

Correspondence:

- *Lackawanna Regional Storm water Initiative*
- *Lackawanna County Community Justice Project*
- *Adams Cable & Blue Ridge Cable*

Mrs. Sullivan, second by Mrs. Serge motioned to accept the correspondence. Motion carried with all in favor.

Persons to be heard: Chief Debevec reported that there were 15 incidents last month; 62 hours of training; 467 miles traveled; and all vehicles are in service.

Treasurer Report

A copy of the 2023 audit was provided to Council.

Treasurer Report of Financial Status: (final for June)

	<u>Jun 1, 24</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
General Fund	
HNB - 0113	424,452.92
HNB - 4601	<u>17,408.19</u>
Total General Fund	441,861.11
Liquid Fuels Fund	
HNB - 4613	<u>64,463.01</u>
Total Liquid Fuels Fund	64,463.01
Refuse Fund	
HNB - 5401	<u>93,994.68</u>
Total Refuse Fund	93,994.68
CD Balance (.25% Interest Renews 8/24/24)	<u>28,001.28</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	628,320.08

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

Treasurer Report of Receipts: (final for June)

Vandling Borough Revenue June 2024				
Date	Name	Account	Amount	
06/02/2024	HNB 4613	341.00 · Interest Earnings	38.38	
06/02/2024	HNB 0113	341.00 · Interest Earnings	546.11	
06/03/2024	Commonwealth of PA	330.00 · Fines	138.14	
06/04/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	15.21	
06/14/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	535.12	
06/18/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	364.00 · Garbage Fees	1,410.00	
06/18/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	301.00 · Real Estate Taxes	1,583.96	
06/18/2024	Calvaruso & Assoc	320.00 · Building Permits	85.50	
06/18/2024	Tumblin Tots	342.00 · Rent	1,050.00	
06/18/2024	JK Construction	320.00 · Building Permits	242.10	
06/18/2024	JK Construction	320.00 · Building Permits	292.24	
06/18/2024	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	319.00 · Delinquent Taxes	177.36	
06/18/2024	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	364.00 · Garbage Fees	260.72	
06/28/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	816.18	
06/30/2024	HNB 0113	341.00 · Interest Earnings	376.34	
06/30/2024	HNB 4613	341.00 · Interest Earnings	32.08	
		Total Revenue	\$ 7,599.44	

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

Treasurer Report of Expenses: (final for June)

Vandling Borough Expenses June 2024				
Date	Name	Account	Amount	
06/15/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	27.68	
06/15/2024	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	21.11	
06/15/2024	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	49.04	
06/17/2024	LRBSA	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	77.25	
06/17/2024	PAWC	448.36 · Water Hydrants	344.55	
06/17/2024	C. Johnson Motor Sports & Equipment	409.20 · Bldgs./Grounds Supplies & Exp.	254.07	
06/17/2024	Herlands & Levine	404.10 · Legal Wages & Salary	175.00	
06/17/2024	NEP Telephone	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	84.82	
06/17/2024	NEIC	413.45 · Rental Expense	780.00	
06/17/2024	NEIC	413.10 · UCC & Code Enforcement	1,356.37	
06/17/2024	Clinton Township	411.50 · Fire Co. Contribution	3,124.00	
06/17/2024	Rainey & Rainey	402.45 · Contracted Financial Service	1,050.00	
06/17/2024	City of Carbondale	410.45 · Police	2,000.00	
06/17/2024	Jennifer Slick	402.10 · Treasurer's Commissions	400.00	
06/17/2024	Jennifer Slick	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(91.16)	
06/17/2024	Nancy Ann Perri	405.10 · Secretary's Wages	400.00	
06/17/2024	Nancy Ann Perri	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(97.16)	
06/17/2024	Thomas Collins, Sr.	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	527.00	
06/17/2024	Thomas Collins, Sr.	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(120.10)	
06/17/2024	John Lavin	413.2 · Protective Services Supplies	390.00	
06/17/2024	John Lavin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(88.88)	

06/17/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	403.10 · Tax Collectors Commissions	79.20
06/17/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(17.99)
06/17/2024	Bill Matos	400.10 · Legislative Wages	225.00
06/17/2024	Bill Matos	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(51.12)
06/17/2024	Amanda Serge	400.10 · Legislative Wages	225.00
06/17/2024	Amanda Serge	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(51.12)
06/17/2024	Francis Pantzar	400.10 · Legislative Wages	225.00
06/17/2024	Francis Pantzar	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(51.12)
06/17/2024	John Carachilo	400.10 · Legislative Wages	225.00
06/17/2024	John Carachilo	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(51.12)
06/17/2024	Colleen Sullivan	400.10 · Legislative Wages	225.00
06/17/2024	Colleen Sullivan	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(51.12)
06/17/2024	Thomas M. Prince	401.10 · Executive Wages	225.00
06/17/2024	Thomas M. Prince	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(51.12)
06/17/2024	PSAB UC Plan	6560 · Payroll Expenses	168.40
06/17/2024	PP&L	434.36 · Street Lighting	978.05
06/17/2024	Casella	427.45 · Contract Sanitation Service	12,062.34
06/18/2024	Wex Bank (Sunoco)	430.20 · Truck Gas & Supplies	252.76
06/18/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	86.91
06/18/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	13.96
06/18/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	31.08
06/18/2024	UGI PNG	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	89.91
06/18/2024	IRS	6560 · Payroll Expenses	827.45
06/18/2024	PA Dept. of Revenue	6560 · Payroll Expenses	330.15
06/18/2024	Hab-Eit	6560 · Payroll Expenses	125.54
06/18/2024	PAUC	6560 · Payroll Expenses	4.14
06/20/2024	Go Daddy	405.20 Secretary Supplies & Expense	19.99
		Total Expenses	\$ 26,758.76

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

Mayor Report: Mayor Prince wished all a safe summer and a happy 4th of July. He reminded everyone to be careful with fireworks and not to shoot them off excessively or at late hours.

Jennifer reported that there was a bear trap set between 5/21 and 5/25 and is now gone.

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

Committee Reports & Unfinished Business:

Mr. Pantzar noted that he purchased roof panels for the garage as it leaking near the skylight panels. He and Mr. Matos will make the repairs.

The street repair project will be out to bid shortly with the plan to open bids in July.

Mr. Pantzar suggested changing the existing speed bumps on Hillside Street to state approved “speed humps”. This will be less hazardous especially when we are plowing. He would also like to propose adding one to every block on Ash Street. This can be added to the specifications.

Mr. Pantzar made a motion, second by Mrs. Serge to add “speed humps” to Hillside, Ash and one on Clinton Street. Ash Street will have one in the middle of each block for a total of five. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mrs. Sullivan asked about a number of cars parked by the playground near the soccer field. She noted that there are five cars parked there all the time. They are likely nearby residents and unless they are abandoned there is nothing to prevent them from parking there.

New Business:

Mr. Carachilo reported that he just left a meeting with the President of Wayne Memorial Hospital and will be meeting with DEP again regarding the mine reclamation project. Mr. Carachilo questioned how far Nelson Boulevard goes. It was noted that this is a “paper street” and runs approximately 300’ down in and can be extended to the Borough limit. There will be additional meeting scheduled regarding this potential development which will tie into the Vision 2000 park.

It was decided that it is too late in the year to do anything with a fireworks ordinance or to try and create one similar to the City of Scranton ordinance that Jen provided.

Mr. Matos asked if we advertised for DPW employees. Yes we did.

Public Comment:

Kathy Murnin reported that the property near her mother’s is not being mowed. Mr. Pantzar replied that it is a work in progress and they will be doing additional work. There is nothing we can address at this time.

Mark Cordelli, Lackawanna County Director of Community Relations provided Council with flyers on a number of upcoming County events including Go Joe 27 for St. Joseph’s Center, an amateur golf tournament, youth soccer camp, and Fridays in the Park through the Arts & Culture Department. He reminded everyone that the trolley is still running to the stadium for baseball games. The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program is opening.

Mr. Carachilo asked how we can get some vouchers for Vandling residents who may not be able to make it to the planned locations. Mr. Cordelli will look into this matter.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM on a motion by Mr. Matos, second by Mrs. Serge.

Minutes were prepared by Borough Secretary Nancy Perri.

Nancy Perri
Signature

July 14, 2024
Date