

*Vandling Borough Council Minutes
Regular Meeting ~ September 17, 2019*

Council President Fran Pantzar called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Council members present included Bill Boyle, John Carachilo, John Mayers, and Fran Pantzar. Also present were Mayor Brady, Attorney Paul Smith, Treasurer Jennifer Slick, and Secretary Nancy Perri. Councilman Bill Matos was absent.

Minutes

Mr. Boyle, second by Mr. Carachilo motioned to approve the minutes of the August meeting minutes. All were in favor.

Correspondence:

- Lackawanna County Department of Elections
- Fire Relief Allocation
- Approval of 2018 audit
- Lackawanna County Conservation District (McGovern Letter)

Mr. Carachilo questioned if the letter from the Conservation District was for Maple Ridge and if so is the project still planned. It was noted that as far as we know the project is still moving forward.

Mr. Carachilo, second by Mr. Boyle motioned to accept the correspondence. All were in favor.

Persons to be heard: none at this time

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Treasurer Report of Financial Status:

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
General Fund	
HNB - 0113	191,723.93
HNB - 4601	18,254.49
Total General Fund	209,978.42
Liquid Fuels Fund	
HNB - 4613	74,937.09
Total Liquid Fuels Fund	74,937.09
Refuse Fund	
HNB - 5401	43,377.80
Total Refuse Fund	43,377.80
Total Checking/Savings	328,293.31
CD Balance (2.02% Interest Renews 7/24/20)	27,245.68
TOTAL ASSETS	355,538.99
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Principal Balance on Loan	176,107.55

(Payment Due 1/15/20)

Mr. Boyle motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, second by Mr. Mayers. Motion carried with all in favor. Mr. Boyle stated for the record that rates were obtained and compared from three financial institutions before renewing the CD at Honesdale National Bank.

Treasurer Report of Receipts: (final for the month)

Vandling Borough - Revenue - September 2019					
Date	Name	Account	Amount		
09/02/2019		341.00 · Interest Earnings			10.24
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09/04/2019	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes			61.35
09/18/2019	Mary Ann Risboskin	301.00 · Real Estate Taxes			554.40
09/18/2019	Tumblin Tots	342.00 · Rent			1,000.00
09/18/2019	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	319.00 · Delinquent Taxes			29.57
09/18/2019	District Magistrate	330.00 · Fines			28.27
09/18/2019	Lack. Co. Recorder of Deeds	310.10 · Real Estate Transfers			1,670.90
09/18/2019	Cicilioni Properties	321.00 · Rental Inspections			150.00
09/18/2019	Cicilioni Properties	321.00 · Rental Inspections			225.00
09/18/2019	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	319.00 · Delinquent Taxes			245.82
09/18/2019	NEP Telephone	342.00 · Rent			300.00
09/18/2019	Mary Ann Risboskin	364.00 · Garbage Fees			380.00
09/18/2019	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	364.00 · Garbage Fees			1,597.81
09/18/2019	Foreign Fire Insurance	355.07 - Fire Relief			3,401.11
09/18/2019	Hab-Eit	310.20 - Wage Taxes			609.65
09/30/2019	HNB 0113	341.00 - Interest Earnings			59.43
09/30/2019	HNB 4613	341.00 - Interest Earnings			8.58
					\$ 10,400.69

A motion to accept the report was made by Mr. Carachilo, second by Mr. Boyle. Motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurers' Report of Bills: The final bill list for the month includes:

Vandling Borough - Expenses - September 2019					
Date	Name	Account	Amount		
09/14/2019	UGI PNG	409.30 · Bldgs Utilities			35.67
09/14/2019	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs Utilities			82.50
09/17/2019	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs Utilities			160.59
09/17/2019	John Bonham	438.00 · Repair & Maintenance of Roads			313.12
09/17/2019	Holt Lumber	409.20 · Bldgs/Grounds Supplies & Exp			44.99
09/17/2019	PAWC	448.36 · Water Hydrants			314.22
09/17/2019	LRBSA	409.30 · Bldgs Utilities			61.80
09/17/2019	The Scranton Times	404.20 · Legal Advertisement			73.70

09/17/2019	NEP Telephone	409.30 · Bldgs Utilities	76.71
09/17/2019	County Waste	427.45 · Contract Sanitation Service	4,805.00
09/17/2019	PP&L	434.36 · Street Lighting	942.21
09/17/2019	Forest City Borough	410.45 · Police	2,000.00
09/17/2019	Paul Smith	404.10 · Legal Wages & Salary	190.00
09/17/2019	BIU	413.45 · Rental Expense	235.00
09/17/2019	Thomas Collins, Jr.	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	259.46
09/17/2019	Jennifer Slick	402.10 · Treasurer's Commissions	308.88
09/17/2019	Nancy Ann Perri	405.10 · Secretary's Wages	302.88
09/17/2019	Bill Matos	400.10 · Legislative Wages	173.88
09/17/2019	John Mayers	400.10 · Legislative Wages	173.88
09/17/2019	Francis Pantzar	400.10 · Legislative Wages	173.88
09/17/2019	John Carachilo	400.10 · Legislative Wages	173.88
09/17/2019	Mary Ann Risboskin	403.10 · Tax Collectors Commissions	27.72
09/17/2019	Mary Ann Risboskin	427.1 · Garbage Fee Comm.	380.10
09/17/2019	Thomas Collins, Sr.	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	197.69
09/17/2019	Joseph Brady	401.10 · Executive Wages	173.88
09/17/2019	John Lavin	413.2 · Protective Services Supplies	308.88
09/17/2019	Joseph Tedesco	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	148.27
09/17/2019	William Boyle	400.10 · Legislative Wages	173.88
09/17/2019	PSAB UC Plan	6560 · Payroll Expenses	170.65
09/17/2019	Andrew Baldan Construction	430.45 - Contracted Services	48,000.00
09/17/2019	USPS	402.20 - Treasurer Supplies	55.00
09/19/2019	IRS	6560 · Payroll Expenses	1,015.63
09/19/2019	PA Dept of Revenue	6560 · Payroll Expenses	257.84
09/19/2019	Hab-Eit	6560 · Payroll Expenses	101.98
09/19/2019	PAUC	6560 · Payroll Expenses	3.59
			\$ 61,917.36

A motion to pay the bills was made by Mr. Boyle, second by Mr. Mayers. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor Report: Mayor Brady stated that neighbors are concerned about vacancy at 4th & Ash Streets. They are concerned that animals are getting in and that the roof may be leaking. The Mayor questioned if Joe Lavin can contact the owners to secure the property as it is a potential health issue. It was noted that Mr. Lavin cited them previously for high grass. A contact can be made with the bank/holding company to have them check into the reported issues.

Mayor Brady noted that it was sad to see Franceski Lumber close as they were always good to the Borough and they will be missed.

Mayor Brady also stated that the road by the car wash where a garage was recently built, there is some concern about setbacks. This was originally part of 171 but if it is now a private road, the Borough shouldn't plow the area. He further noted the area of Hillside &

Ash that transitions at the end to a private road that we don't plow. The Mayor stated that we need to be consistent about not maintaining or plowing roads we don't own. He thinks both areas should be addressed with the street department to make sure we no longer plow or maintain. Mr. Boyle stated that it could also be a liability for the Borough if these are not Borough roads.

Solicitor Report: Attorney Smith nothing to report at this time.

Committee Reports:

Mr. Mayers reported that PA DOT approved the storm sewer project and the additional patching. Mr. Mayers would like the final payment prepared to pay Baldan Construction once the form PA DOT requires is completed along with KBA inspection and approval.

Mr. Boyle made a motion to approve payment to Andrew Baldan Construction after approval by KBA and release by PA DOT. Mr. Carachilo seconded the motion which carried with all in favor

Mr. Boyle, second by Mr. Carachilo motioned to approve filing the storm water report as prepared by Mr. Mayers. Motion carried with all in favor. Mr. Pantzar thanked Mr. Mayers for all his work on this endeavor.

Unfinished Business:

The Secretary noted that there was a ten ton decrease in the number of recyclables this year and that County Waste stated that many residences are mixing trash in with recyclables. There was a discussion about the current collection system for trash and recycling and how the bids should be prepared for the new contract. After review of the bid specifications, a motion was made by Mr. Boyle, second by Mr. Carachilo to advertise the trash and recycling collection contract.

New Business:

Council agreed to meet on Wednesday, October 16th at 6 PM for a work session on the 2020 budget. The Secretary will advertise the meeting in the Forest City News.

Public Comment: -

Dave Zigon of 652 Main Street asked if an ordinance preventing jade brake usage in residential areas could be enacted. He also asked about a noise ordinance due to ATVs driving through the area with no mufflers. Mr. Mayers suggested he call 911 regarding the ATVs. It was asked if there could be something put into the noise ordinance regarding decibel levels. In regard to a neighbor with a loud amplifier in the yard, police can cite for that.

Mayor Brady stated that a prohibition on jade brakes should be easy to pass and some signage installed. He will talk with Forest City PD regarding ATVs and motorcycles.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM on a motion by Mr. Boyle, second by Mr. Carachilo. Borough Secretary Nancy Perri prepared minutes.

Nancy Perri
Secretary Signature

October 21, 2019
Date Approved