

Vandling Borough Council Minutes
October 17, 2022

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

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

Correspondence:

- o *2023 Liquid Fuels Allocation*

The correspondence was accepted on a motion by Mr. Pantzar, second by Mrs. Serge. Motion carried with all in favor.

Persons to be heard:

Kerry Henderson representing Forest City Emergency Services and addressed Council about a previous discussion about the Borough relying on Cottage Hose Ambulance (she noted that they are seven miles away). She noted that they are doing everything in their power to not go out of business. If Forest City s gone it could be a forty minute wait for an ambulance.

Mr. Pantzar stated that he would be open to a meeting between Council and Forest City Emergency Services to discuss options. It was noted that this is becoming a nationwide problem as very few individuals are training to be an EMT. There was some further discussion about setting up a fee of \$9.95 per household to support emergency services which could raise around \$2,500 annually. Council again stated that they are interested in meeting with them.

Trash Collection Bid Opening

Bidder Name: GFL Environmental (County Waste)

	Recycling 2x month	Recycling weekly	2 Containers + 1 Bulk
2023	\$59,202.00	\$59,202.00	\$78,000.00
2024	\$62,458.11	\$62,458.11	\$82,290.00
2025	<u>\$65,893.31</u>	<u>\$65,893.31</u>	<u>\$86,815.95</u>
TOTAL	\$187,553.42	\$187,553.42	\$247,105.95

Bidder Name: J. P. Mascaro & Sons

	Recycling 2x month	Recycling weekly	2 Containers + 1 Bulk
2023	\$51,024.00	\$88,884.00	\$107,148.00
2024	\$53,220.00	\$92,688.00	\$111,744.00
2025	<u>\$55,716.00</u>	<u>\$96,996.00</u>	<u>\$116,928.00</u>
TOTAL	\$159,960.00	\$278,568.00	\$335,820.00

There will be about a \$57K increase. Mr. Pantzar, seconded by Mrs. Serge motioned to accept the lowest responsible bidder (GFL). All were in favor. Attorney Levine will review the documents to make sure

everything is in order. Mayor Prince questioned if the bid specification accounted for the new development. It does not because that will likely not be completed before the expiration of this contract.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Report of Financial Status: (final for September)

Oct 1, 22

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

COVID Grant

2,144.08

General Fund

HNB - 0113

374,348.12

HNB - 4601

7,026.12

Total General Fund

381,374.24

Liquid Fuels Fund

HNB - 4613

44,663.67

Total Liquid Fuels Fund

44,663.67

Refuse Fund

HNB - 5401

49,976.96

Total Refuse Fund

49,976.96

CD Balance (.25% Interest Renews 7/24/23)

27,931.46

TOTAL ASSETS

506,090.41

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Principal Balance on Loan

66,457.09

(Payment Due 2/15/23)

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 October)

Vandling Borough ~ Revenue October 2022				
Date	Name	Account		Amount
10/02/2022	HNB 0113	341.00 · Interest Earnings		135.93
10/02/2022	HNB 4601	341.00 · Interest Earnings		9.96
10/04/2022	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes		334.35
10/05/2022	Lack. Co. Recorder of Deeds	310.10 · Real Estate Transfers		1,729.70
10/12/2022	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes		947.69
10/18/2022	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	319.00 · Delinquent Taxes		342.00
10/18/2022	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	364.00 · Garbage Fees		255.26
10/18/2022	Medas	320.00 · Building Permits		94.50
10/18/2022	Tumblin Tots	342.00 · Rent		1,050.00
10/18/2022	Commonwealth of PA	355 · PURTA.		178.56
10/18/2022	Terpak	320.00 · Building Permits		130.50
10/18/2022	Mary Ann Risboskin	301.00 · Real Estate Taxes		513.46
10/18/2022	Mary Ann Risboskin	364.00 · Garbage Fees		490.00
10/19/2022	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes		954.12
10/26/2022	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes		1,092.18

10/28/2022	Hab-Eit	310.20 - Wage Taxes	910.77
10/31/2022	HNB 4613	341.00 - Interest Earnings	10.52
10/31/2022	HNB 0113	341.00 - Interest Earnings	148.31
		Total Revenue	\$ 9,327.81

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

Treasurer Report of Expenses: (final for October)

Vandling Borough ~ Bill List October 2022			
Date	Name	Account	Amount
10/03/2022	Jeffrey A Levine	404.20 · Legal Advertisement	896.50
10/12/2022	NEP Telephone	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	83.37
10/15/2022	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	26.86
10/17/2022	GFL Environmental	427.45 · Contract Sanitation Service	6,609.67
10/17/2022	PP&L	434.36 · Street Lighting	924.18
10/17/2022	PAWC	448.36 · Water Hydrants	331.61
10/17/2022	The Scranton Times	404.20 · Legal Advertisement	469.32
10/17/2022	Boot-A-Pest	409.20 · Bldgs./Grounds Supplies & Exp.	120.00
10/17/2022	City of Carbondale	410.45 · Police	2,000.00
10/17/2022	John Bonham	430.37 · Borough Truck/Machinery	1,043.58
10/17/2022	Forest City Fireman's Relief Assn	411.51 · Fire Relief	1,841.61
10/17/2022	Browndale Fire Relief Association	411.51 · Fire Relief	1,841.61
10/17/2022	NEIC	413.45 · Rental Expense	780.00
10/17/2022	NEIC	413.10 · UCC & Code Enforcement	126.00
10/17/2022	Jennifer Slick	402.10 · Treasurer's Commissions	400.00
10/17/2022	Jennifer Slick	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(91.12)
10/17/2022	Nancy Ann Perri	405.10 · Secretary's Wages	400.00
10/17/2022	Nancy Ann Perri	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(97.12)
10/17/2022	Thomas Collins, Sr.	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	314.50
10/17/2022	Thomas Collins, Sr.	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(71.66)
10/17/2022	Thomas Collins, Sr.	430.37 · Borough Truck/Machinery	42.62
10/17/2022	Mary Ann Risboskin	403.10 · Tax Collectors Commissions	25.67
10/17/2022	Mary Ann Risboskin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(5.83)
10/17/2022	John Lavin	413.2 · Protective Services Supplies	530.00
10/17/2022	John Lavin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(120.74)
10/17/2022	John Lavin	413.2 · Protective Services Supplies	1.68
10/17/2022	William Vaughn	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	592.00
10/17/2022	William Vaughn	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(134.85)
10/17/2022	Herlands & Levine	404.10 - Legal Wages & Salary	212.20
10/18/2022	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	13.25
10/18/2022	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	37.92
10/18/2022	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	84.51
10/18/2022	UGI PNG	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	38.86
10/18/2022	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	17.48
10/18/2022	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	44.94
10/18/2022	IRS	6560 · Payroll Expenses	594.95
		Total Expenses	19,923.57

Mrs. Serge, second by Mr. Pantzar motioned to approve the bill listing. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor Report: Mayor Prince reported that he met with Bill Davis & Representative Kyle Mullins. They discussed grant funds that are available for the ball park to bring it to a multi-use area. Bill Davis will help in putting together some ideas for the area and a plan. Mayor Prince will let Council know when they are coming to the Borough. He noted that we may have to sit with Attorney Levine to possibly change some ordinances regarding the park. Representative Mullins and Mr. Davis do plan to attend a Council meeting. This will be a long process and we are in the very early stages.

Mayor Prince stated that Halloween in the development will be on Saturday, October 29th from 6 PM to 8 PM. He spoke with Chief Debevec and the fire company will be assisting. He also noted that the Forest City Parks & Recreation Trunk and Treat will be held the same day during the afternoon.

Solicitor Report: Attorney Levine had nothing to report at this time, other than to note he is waiting for the easements for the storm sewer project to come back from being recorded.

Committee Reports:

Mr. Pantzar noted that the drainage work on 5th and 6th Streets started today.

A budget work session needs to be scheduled. It was agreed to meet on Tuesday, November 1st at 6 PM.

Unfinished Business:

Mr. Pantzar presented the renewal lease for Tumblin Tots. The rent will raise by \$50 a month to \$1,100.00. Mr. Pantzar, seconded by Mrs. Serge motioned to approve the lease. Motion carried with all in favor.

New Business:

Council will table the open seat until next month. The open position will be posted on Facebook.

Public Comment:

None at this time.

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

These minutes were prepared by Borough Secretary Nancy Perri.

Nancy Perri

Signature

November 20, 2022

Date