

*Vandling Borough Council Minutes
October 21, 2024*

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

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

Correspondence:

- Lackawanna County Planning Commission Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
- Lackawanna County Association of Boroughs

Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Pantzar motioned to accept the correspondence. Motion carried with all in favor.

Persons to be heard:

Jayson Wood of Woodland Design Associates addressed Council regarding Camp Freedom which is a 501-C-3 nonprofit providing therapy for veterans. He provide some background on the organization and the area they have been using including along the O&W trail. He noted the DCNR stocks the river in that area but the veterans have mobility issues to access the river for fishing. They have completed a feasibility study to install ADA launches on four identifies sites, one of which is in Vandling in an environmental conservation area. He wanted to provide the information to Council to see what the feeling was about doing this and taking care of zoning issues. The project they are looking at would also add some additional veins to add additional water to the river. The area would be open to the public. He also noted that Rails to Trails of NEPA has plans to improve the access on the O&W trail by filling in with stone. Council didn't see any issues with the project or zoning. They will continue to finalize the plans and formalize the permit applications.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Report of Financial Status: (final for October)

	<u>Oct 1, 24</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
General Fund	
HNB - 0113	399,810.56
HNB - 4601	<u>11,528.94</u>
Total General Fund	411,339.50
Liquid Fuels Fund	
HNB - 4613	<u>60,728.64</u>
Total Liquid Fuels Fund	60,728.64
Refuse Fund	
HNB - 5401	<u>56,763.80</u>
Total Refuse Fund	56,763.80
CD Balance (4.80% Interest Renews 3/24/25)	<u>29,361.31</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	558,193.25

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

Treasurer Report of Receipts: (final for October)

Vandling Borough ~ October 2024 Revenue					
Date	Name	Account	Amount		
10/02/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	202.97		
10/11/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	716.77		
10/16/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	505.05		
10/18/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	1,558.96		
10/25/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	593.51		
10/30/2024	Hab-Eit	310.20 · Wage Taxes	951.44		
		Subtotal Wage Taxes	\$4,528.70		
10/01/2024	Commonwealth of PA	355.01 · PURTA	179.83		
10/04/2024	Lack. Co. Recorder of Deeds	310.10 · Real Estate Transfers	2,035.95		
10/22/2024	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	319.00 · Delinquent Taxes	461.02		
10/22/2024	Lackawanna Co. Treasurer	364.00 · Garbage Fees	690.65		
10/22/2024	Tumblin Tots	342.00 · Rent	1,050.00		
10/22/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	301.00 · Real Estate Taxes	348.48		
10/22/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	305.00 · Occ. Taxes	20.00		
10/22/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	364.00 · Garbage Fees	1,880.00		
10/30/2024	HNB 0113	341.00 · Interest Earnings	391.09		
10/30/2024	HNB 4613	341.00 · Interest Earnings	33.49		
		Total Revenue	\$11,619.21		

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

Treasurer Report of Expenses: (final for October)

Vandling Borough ~ Expenses October 2024					
Date	Name	Account	Amount		
10/19/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	28.91		
10/19/2024	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	42.74		
10/19/2024	PAWC	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	22.55		
10/21/2024	PP&L	434.36 · Street Lighting	992.28		
10/21/2024	Casella	427.45 · Contract Sanitation Service	12,062.34		
10/21/2024	PAWC	448.36 · Water Hydrants	770.65		
10/21/2024	NEP Telephone	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	85.87		
10/21/2024	Browndale Fire Relief Association	411.51 · Fire Relief	1,882.22		
10/21/2024	Forest City Fireman's Relief Assoc.	411.51 · Fire Relief	1,882.21		
10/21/2024	Herlands & Levine	404.10 · Legal Wages & Salary	317.50		
10/21/2024	City of Carbondale	410.45 · Police	2,000.00		
10/21/2024	Jennifer Slick	402.10 · Treasurer's Commissions	400.00		

10/21/2024	Jennifer Slick	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(91.16)
10/21/2024	Nancy Ann Perri	405.10 · Secretary's Wages	400.00
10/21/2024	Nancy Ann Perri	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(97.16)
10/21/2024	Thomas Collins, Sr.	430.10 · Street Maintenance Wages	425.00
10/21/2024	Thomas Collins, Sr.	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(96.86)
10/21/2024	John Lavin	413.2 · Protective Services Supplies	460.00
10/21/2024	John Lavin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(104.83)
10/21/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	403.10 · Tax Collectors Commissions	18.42
10/21/2024	Mary Ann Risboskin	488.00 · Employees Withholding	(4.19)
10/22/2024	UGI PNG	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	64.26
10/22/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	30.89
10/22/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	14.18
10/22/2024	PP&L	409.30 · Bldgs. Utilities	85.60
10/22/2024	IRS	6560 · Payroll Expenses	448.00
		Total Expenses	22,039.42

Mr. Pantzar, 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:

Trick or treating will be on Halloween night from 6 PM to 8 PM. Jen will alert the fire department to block both ends of the development.

Fran reported that replacing the holiday lights will likely cost between ten and fifteen thousand dollars which was not in the budget this year. It will be put off until next year.

Mr. Carachilo questioned when the road paving will be starting. It should be anytime now. Linde and Stafursky are coordinating and will complete this project as well as Peterlin. They will ensure that Peterlin is pitched correctly.

New Business:

Council agreed to meet for a work session for the 2025 budget on Monday, November 4th at 6 PM.

Public Comment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM on a motion by Mr. Pantzar, second by Mrs. Sullivan.

Minutes were prepared by Borough Secretary Nancy Perri.

Nancy Perri
Signature

November 17, 2024
Date