

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022  
BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
7:00 PM  
MINUTES**

**THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE GLASSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY ELAINA SKIBA, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.**

Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL:** Colecchi, present; Handra, present; Hickman, present; Kowalski, present; Norelli, present; Trunzo, present; Skiba, present; Chazdine Harmon, Jr. Council, present; Mayor DiMarco, present.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only) - None**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion** to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 15, 2022.

**Motion:** Handra seconded by Hickman  
Motion Carried.

**Motion** to approve the Safety Committee Minutes of Thursday, February 24, 2022.

**Motion:** Colecchi seconded by Kowalski  
Motion Carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Fire Department/Senior Citizens Center – Paul Trunzo, Council/Chair**

**Citizen’s Hose Company No. 1 February Report**

36 Calls

The members have completed a combined total of 160 hours of training.

The department would like to thank the Borough and Citizens for their continued support.

**Motion:** Kowalski seconded by Colecchi

To approve a donation of \$250 to the Citizen’s Hose Co. #1 Golf Outing Silver Sponsor.  
Motion Carried.

**Senior Citizens Center Report**

The Center reopened March 1<sup>st</sup>

Electrical issues were taken care of on Sunday.

Outlets were updated, new switches installed and new lighting. (Will save \$600 on lighting)

Free tax preparation is available, call the Center for details.

**Delinquent Taxes/Sewage and Administration – Angelo Norelli, Council/Chair**

Total Delinquent Borough Real Estate Collected for February, 2022 - .....\$ 34,348.95

Total Collections year to date.....	\$
55,528.59	
Total Delinquent Sewage Collected for February, 2022.....	\$ 8,673.33
Penalty and Interest.....	\$ 6,396.85
Total Collections for February, 2022.....	\$
16,070.18	
Total Collections to date 2022.....	\$
20,245.14	

Right to Know Requests – 15      Total Calls to the Office - 28

**Reality Tour, Crime Watch, Parks & Recreation, GDC – Dave Kowalski, Council/Chair**

No report for Reality Tour.  
We received 15 to 20 Responses from Crime Watch.  
9<sup>th</sup> Street Field is open. Work needs done up there. The equipment needs inspected.

Met a lady that wants to get involved with a vegetable garden in town. She would also secure funds for this. We talked about doing this at the St. Cecilia’s property. We could also look at the empty lot across from Max & Odi’s.

**Communications – Kate Handra, Council/Chair – Parks & Recreation, Co-Chair/Census Committee**

Finalizing the food truck list for four months.

**Public Works – Street and Sewage Departments – Dennis Hickman, Council/Chair**

Public Works Report – Month of February, 2022

**Municipal Buildings/Properties – Elaina Skiba, President of Council/Chair – No Report**

**Police Committee, Safety Committee/Building Inspector – Anthony Colecchi, Vice President/Chair**

The last Safety Committee Meeting was held on February 24, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in the Borough Council Chambers. The things discussed were GHS Pictograms and How to Identify Harmful Chemicals.

The next Safety Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 31, 2022 @ 2:00 p.m.

The Building Inspector Report is available upon request.

For the last few years Glassport has applied for a Municipal Intern through the Local Government Academy and I am happy to say that our application was accepted. On April 13, I will be attending the intern fair at the University of Pittsburgh with Andrea Foster.

**Chazdine Harmon – Jr. Council Report/South Allegheny High School-Elaina Skiba read report**

Adriana Rager, Will Ellisor and Cory Hamilton have been invited to participate in the upcoming Sing Fest. They will participate in this event with other Fifth and Sixth graders from the Pittsburgh Area. They will rehearse for a full day on Friday, April 22 and then perform at a concert that evening at Penn Trafford High School. This is the first time that Sixth grade students will attend this event.

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The South Allegheny Band recently represented the school district at Walt Disney World in Florida. As always, they did an awesome job.

SA Boys Basketball continues to progress in the State Playoffs with a win on Saturday of 68 to 59 in double overtime over Shady Side Academy. They were down by 18 in the third period and won by 9. SA will take on Bishop Guilfoyle in the Quarterfinals of the State Playoffs on Wednesday at Armstrong High School at 7:00 p.m. There will be a student fan bus.

### **Mayor Keith DiMarco – Police Committee**

The following will be a breakdown of the police activity for the Month of February, 2022.

There were 864 calls for Service  
4 Non-Traffic Citations were issues  
55 Traffic Citations issued  
26 Criminal Arrests  
5,833 total miles patrolled

A letter of resignation was received from Anthony Massaro as the Civil Service Committee Chairman. A motion is needed to accept the resignation.

**Motion:** Handra seconded by Kowalski  
Motion Carried.

The mayor thanked Chief DeVerse for finishing all the SRS Reports that were left over from last year and also completing the full year of reports for Hate crimes from January through December.

### **WRITTEN REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS:**

**Tax Collector – Jennifer Bell – Report Available Upon Request – Total Collections February-\$4,473.47**

**Treasurer – Rosanna DiMarco – Report Available Upon Request**

**Financial Report – Elaina Skiba, President of Council-Deed Transfers February, 2022-\$4,286.71 (13 Sales and 2 Family Transfers).**

**Motion** to approve the Monthly Financial Report for February, 2022.

**Motion:** Norelli seconded by Colecchi  
Motion Carried.

**Motion** to approve and pay General Fund bills for February, 2022 in the amount of \$179,803.17.

**ROLL CALL:** Colecchi, abstain; Handra, yes; Hickman, yes; Kowalski, yes; Norelli, yes; Trunzo, yes; Skiba, yes. 6 Yes 1 Abstain

Motion Carried.

**Motion** to approve and pay Sewer Revenue Fund bills for February, 2022 in the amount of \$45,253.89.

**Motion:** Hickman seconded by Norelli

Motion Carried.

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**Solicitor's Report – Falco Muscante (Maiello, Brungo and Maiello, LLC)**

**Ordinance No. 1212 – Restriction of truck traffic on certain streets in the Borough**

The trucks would be restricted on all roads in the Borough except:

**Allegheny Avenue, 100 and 200 blocks of 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Ohio Avenue from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to the Clairton Bridge, Monongahela Avenue, North Monongahela Avenue, and Washington Boulevard. The other amendment to this is when the trucks come into the Borough on those streets, they have to enter and exit by the shortest route possible. You cannot go down side streets that are not necessary. The fines have been increased to a maximum of \$300 per occurrence. Businesses should be advised.**

**Motion:** Handra seconded by Colecchi

Motion Carried.

This was advertised on Saturday, March 5, 2022.

**Resolution No. 1 (3/15/2022) – Disposal of Certain Older Records (24 Series)**

**Motion:** Norelli seconded by Handra

Motion Carried.

**Resolution No. 2 (3/15/2022) – Phase II LSA Grant – Off Road Vehicle Park - \$58,530.00**

**Motion** to ratify the approval of the Resolution to request a Local Share Account grant of \$58,530.00 from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development to be used for the Off-Road Vehicle Park Project.

**Motion:** Colecchi seconded by Trunzo

Motion Carried.

**Towing Agreement (3-15-2022) – Paul Beisler** – Motion to approve the Amendment to the Contract for Towing Services to adjust the rates for the remainder of 2022 based on the higher cost of fuel.

**Motion:** Kowalski seconded by Trunzo

Motion Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS: Elaina Skiba, President of Council**

In the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, South Allegheny School District vs. the following properties:

- 600 Wall Street (558-R-9) – Municipal & School Taxes - \$24,724.13
- 541 Pacific Avenue (467-S-35) – Municipal & School Taxes - \$26,199.24
- 616 Vermont Avenue (558-C-253) – Municipal & School Taxes - \$6,304.74
- 602 Summit Avenue (558-D-138) – Municipal & School Taxes - \$28,569.97
- 544 Summit Avenue (558-D-140) – Municipal & School Taxes - \$34,232.87

A notice has been sent from LIHWAP that the Borough of Glassport has been accepted as a vendor to Assist eligible residents with their delinquent sewage bills. Applications will be processed at local county assistance offices. Representative Pisciotto has information for this in his office. We have received the 2022 Municipal Liquid Fuels payment of \$127,751.15 which has been deposited into the PA Invest Treasury Account on March 1, 2022.

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We have received a letter from the Allegheny League of Municipalities that Glassport has been designated as a 2022 Banner Community.

**NEW BUSINESS: Elaina Skiba, President of Council**

**Borough Wide Demolitions Project** – Bid Opening was on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

**Motion** to award the bid to Allen Demolitions, low bidder, in the amount of \$72,300.00, pending review of references by KLH Engineers.

**Motion:** Colecchi seconded by Kowalski  
Motion Carried.

**Broadway Avenue Steps Improvement** – Bid Opening was on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

**Motion** to award the bid to Emmono Corporation, low bidder, as recommended by KLH Engineers in the amount of \$178,000.00.

**Motion:** Trunzo seconded by Colecchi  
Motion Carried.

**KLH approved the pay request from Mele & Mele & Sons** for the 2021 Road Reconstruction Project Contract 2021-22 in the amount of \$80,335.14. This is the final and total payment for this project. KLH will request Mele & Mele & Sons to submit the final close out documentation for processing.

**Motion:** Norelli seconded by Kowalski  
Motion Carried.

**Detroit Avenue Landslide Repair Project** – Bid Opening was Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

**Motion** to award the bid to the low bidder – Ramsey Construction in the amount of \$120,103.00 as recommended by KLH Engineers.

**Motion:** Kowalski seconded by Norelli  
Motion Carried.

Motion to authorize the advertising of the Off-Road Vehicle Park Project for bid.

**Motion:** Kowalski seconded by Colecchi  
Motion Carried.

**CITIZENS CONCERNS OR REQUESTS: None**

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting to the call of the chair.

**Motion:** Trunzo seconded by Handra

Motion Carried.

**Submitted by:**

Nancy M. Piazza-Whaby  
Borough Secretary

**Dated:** March 29, 2022

**Approved by:**

Elaina Skiba  
President of Council