

April 28, 2022
Apollo Borough Council Meeting

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by Council President Jarrod Thompson at 7:00 p.m. at 631 N 2nd Street, Apollo PA 15613 (Soldiers & Sailors Hall).

Present: Council members Jarrod Thompson, Diane Bradshaw, Cindy O'Block, Michelle Beck and Jennifer Mullins were present. Council member Craig Williams arrived late. The Solicitor, Engineer, Mayor and Secretary-Treasurer were present. Council member Cindee Virostek was absent.

Public Comments: No public comments.

Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Jennifer Mullins to approve the March 24th, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report:

A motion was made by Jennifer Mullins and seconded by Cindy O'Block to pay the Solicitor's Invoices in the amount of \$2951.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineering Report:

Discussion on Kerr Mfg. land development plan.
Discussion on Terrace Avenue bridge damage with options to possibly work with Plum Contracting on repairs, replace it, apply for a grants or close it permanently.

Mayor's Report:

A Leonard Miller Scholarship application was received by the mayor for a student from Apollo Ridge High School.

Public Safety: Michelle Beck, chair:

A motion was made by Jarrod Thompson and seconded by Jennifer Mullins to reconsider removing the parking meters due to budget revenue loss. Roll call vote: Jarrod Thompson – yes; Diane Bradshaw – no; Cindy O'Block – yes; Jennifer Mullins – yes; Michelle Beck – no. Motion passed by majority vote.

Resident, Sara Bowser, said she has been waiting on an answer from council for over a year regarding her problem with having a parking meter in front of her home. Council president said they will review residential permits again and hopefully have the problem resolved in the next two months.

The parking meter ordinance will be revised and presented at the next meeting for a vote to advertise.

A motion was made by Jennifer Mullins and seconded by Cindy O'Block to adopt the Food Truck Ordinance 287-22. Motion passed unanimously.

Secretary/Treasurer:

Council member, Cindee Virostek, attended the mandatory UCC Meeting
Century Insurance/Dan Busatto working on liability renewal
Meeting with FCB regarding commercial loan rate review

Monthly expense report given to council.

Finance Committee Report: Jerrod Thompson, chair:

A motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Jennifer Mullins to accept the KVWPA agreement for them to pursue delinquent accounts in the borough. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion made by Michelle Beck and seconded by Cindy O'Block to pay the bills, including payroll. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of items for payment as follows (3/22/22 - 4/25/22):

General Fund (includes payroll) - \$47048.13

Liquid Fuels Fund – \$4502.86

Parking Fund - \$1258.97

Sewer Fund - \$7947.17

Sewer Separation Fund - \$2395.03

Events Fund - \$555.00

Vacancy Fund - \$750.00

Total \$64457.16

Property/Planning Report: Jennifer Mullins, chair:

Jennifer gave an update on the 704 Armstrong Avenue blighted property. Advised that some repairs were made but it is still in bad condition.

There was a discussion on the multi-modal grant and questions about whether they should apply for it again. No decision will be made until further review.

A motion was made by Craig Williams and seconded by Cindy O'Block to amend the agenda on discussion of hiring a consultant to help obtain more funding/grants. Motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer spoke with Regola Consulting and was given a proposal for services. Council is tabling the discussion until further review on details and finances.

Public Relations: Jennifer Mullins, chair:

The committee and churches involved with Rock the Block had a very positive meeting with Habitat for Humanity.

The Apollo United Presbyterian Church offered to be home base for Rock the Block.

Public Works & Street Committee Report: Craig Williams, chair:

Brief discussion regarding clean up days on May 13th & 14th.

Craig discussed quotes for the salt shed foundation and a copy of the quotes were presented to council for review.

Dave Hunkele Excavating	\$16,900
	\$19,750 (interlocking block)
R&J Construction	\$17,900
Mechling Concrete	\$19,886
Bruno's Ground Care	\$24,300

A motion was made by Jennifer Mullins and seconded by Diane Bradshaw to accept the quote from Dave Hunkele Excavating for the salt shed foundation with the interlocking block. Motion passed unanimously.

Craig discussed the poor condition of the public works 2016 white truck. Pictures of the rusting truck bed were shown to council. Public Works will get quotes for the cost of repairs to present at the next meeting.

At 8:14 p.m. a motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Jennifer Mullins to go into Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

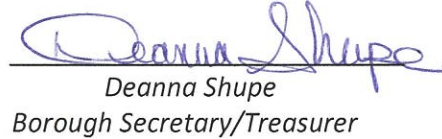
At 8:30 pm a motion was made by Jennifer Mullins and seconded by Cindy O'Block to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Craig Williams and seconded by Cindy O'Block to approve \$1.00 per hour wage increase for the full-time public works employee, Thomas McCarthy, effective upon successful completion of his probationary training on 5-14-2022. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Jennifer Mullins and seconded by Cindy O'Block to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 pm. Motion passed unanimously.



Jerrod Thompson
Council President



Deanna Shupe
Borough Secretary/Treasurer