

November 26, 2024
Apollo Borough Council Meeting

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by the President at 7:00 p.m. at 809 N Warren Avenue, Apollo PA 15613.

Present: Council members Jerrod Thompson, Mark Tarle, Ken Cyphert, Diane Bradshaw, Cindy O'Block and Sherry Sabatino were present. The Secretary/Treasurer, Mayor, Engineer and Solicitor were present. Council member Sara Gerwig was absent.

Public Comments:

Becky Kane would like the borough to recognize the two ladies, Jeanne Rummel and Teri Mulhall, who have been organizing the events in town. She thought they did a wonderful job on the Halloween Parade and is looking forward to Light Up Night. Council member, Sherry Sabatino, said she agrees and has been posting about what a great job they are doing on the **Apollo Borough Events Page and Committee** Facebook page.

Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Sherry Sabatino to approve the October 22, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report:

A motion was made by Mark Tarle and seconded by Diane Bradshaw to pay the Solicitor's Invoices. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineering Report:

The engineer had a brief discussion on what is needed to submit the upcoming LSA Grant application and commented on other projects that are upcoming or have already been completed.

A motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Cindy O'Block to approve the LSA Grant Resolution. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mark Tarle and seconded by Cindy O'Block to approve the matching funds commitment letter as required by the grant program. Motion passed unanimously.

The engineer also discussed the demolition of the old school on N. 2nd Street. The borough will need to get the roads bonded before the demolition starts due to the heavy machinery that will be used.

A motion was made by Mark Tarle and seconded by Sherry Sabatino to pay the engineers' invoices. Motion passed unanimously.

MS4 Report: Ken Cyphert, chair:

A letter was received from DEP pertaining to the NPDES Permit and implementation of the PRP final report for pollutant control measure. The letter is being reviewed by the engineers.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Kenzevich:

Public Safety: Mark Tarle, chair:

Apollo Borough provided a proposed 1-year contract to North Apollo Borough for police coverage.

North Apollo Borough plans to discuss and decide at their next council meeting.

The arches in the plaza near the bridge are showing signs of deterioration and need some attention.

Secretary/Treasurer Report:

Apollo Borough resident, Heather Bussard, emailed a letter of interest to fill the open seat on the Zoning Hearing Board.

A motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Cindy O'Block to appoint Heather Bussard to fill the open seat on the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Mark Tarle to approve the 2025 Garbage & Sewer billing dates. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Cindy O'Block to approve and advertise the 2025 Council Meeting Dates. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly expense report given to council.

Finance Committee Report: Jerrod Thompson, chair:

The council was given a copy of the projected 2025 budget to review.

A motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Mark Tarle to advertise for the projected 2025 Budget to be adopted at the next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Approval of items for payment as follows (10/19/2024 –11/19/2024):

General Fund (includes payroll) - \$39370.37

Garbage Fund – \$15156.28

Parking Fund - \$537.55

Sewer Fund - \$5552.14

Sewer Separation Fund - \$2395.03

Liquid Fuels - \$4346.77

Event Fund - \$128.34

Landlord Fund – \$455.00

Total – \$68442.77

Public Works & Streets Committee Report: Diane Bradshaw, chair:

Discussion on Apollo exchanging some of their left-over millings to Bell Township for use of their roller for pothole paving.

A motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Diane Bradshaw to trade millings to Bell Twp. for use of their roller for paving. Motion passed unanimously.

Snowflake lights that are put up for the holiday are brittle and broken and cannot be repaired any longer so will not be put up this year. The borough will need to look into purchasing new lights.

Property & Planning Committee Report: Cindy O'Block, chair:

Cindy advised she spoke with the contractor who will be repairing the damages to the front porch and they will be starting the repairs very soon.

Discussion on solar panel updates. The company is moving on to the next step. The solicitor was given documentation to review.

Public Relations Committee- Events: Sara Gerwig, chair:

Light Up Night updates: 8 p.m. tree lighting
Apollo Hose Co. #2 advertising Light Up Night.

A motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Cindy O'Block to waive the table fee for Apollo Hose Co. #2. Motion passed unanimously.

Other Business:

At 7:32 p.m. a motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Ken Cyphert to go into executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

At 7:45 p.m. a motion was made by Mark Tarle and seconded by Sherry Sabatino to come out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

At 7:46 p.m. a motion was made by Mark Tarle and seconded by Ken Cyphert to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.


Jerrod Thompson
President


Deanna Shupe
Borough Secretary/Treasurer