

Renovo Borough Council
128 5th Street, Renovo, PA 17764
April 9, 2025

The monthly meeting of the Renovo Borough Council was held on this date starting at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers, 128 5th Street, Renovo, PA. The meeting was called to order by Council President Ann Tarantella with the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag. The following Council Members were present; Rhonda Balchun, Michael Kelley and Patricia Rauch. Also in attendance, Secretary/Treasurer Ashley Sporny and Mayor Gene Bruno. Absent: David Knauff, John Simon, and Kristy Serafini-Brooks.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion was made by P. Rauch and seconded by R. Balchun to accept the minutes as written for the March 12, 2025, regular meeting. A voice vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

BILLS

Administration-\$8,194.15 /Building-\$1,224.45 /Fire-\$0/Parks-\$463.60/Police-\$2,667.33/ Streets-\$3,618.12

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by P. Rauch to pay the bills presented if the money is available. A voice vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

Councilwomen Patricia Rauch mentioned the bill for Share Corp for \$481.16 for line paint for speed traps the police department ordered. She feels the paint should not be used until the Police officers become more productive within the borough.

A motion was made by P. Rauch and seconded by M. Kelley to hold the use of the paint purchased for lining speed traps until the officers are more productive. A voice vote was taken, three yes, one no. At this time a Roll Call Vote was taken, Balchun- No, Kelley -Yes, Rauch- Yes, Tarantella- Yes. Majority vote passes the motion.

GALLERY : Beth Whitty, representing the Clinton County Planning Department, came to accept the Memorial Park Resolution from the Borough. Renovo Borough approved Clinton County Commissioners to file the grant to DCNR on behalf of the Borough. While here Beth also reminded Council of the upcoming meeting at the school with Senator Dush and Representative Borowicz, on APRIL 15TH AT 10:00 am, Bucktail students ask for their support of changing the official state fossil from the current trilobite to the fossil Hynerpeton Bassetti. Whitty also asked Council members to reach out to their local legislators asking for their support, with hopes that this bill can move quickly through the house and senate.

MONTHLY CORRESPONDENCE

Deborah Pedokus, Renovo Borough Tax Collector provided Council with the Tax Collectors report for March.

Lecce Electric, Inc gave Council a quote for the 2025 annual traffic signal maintenance at a cost of \$1740 with any excess or additional repairs at \$104.34 per hour.

The Clinton County Association of Township Officials will be holding the local government trade show on June 5, 2025, at the Clinton County Fairgrounds from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. A registration fee of \$25 must be paid in advance by May 23, 2025.

Foster & Foster provided Council the GASB 67/68, 40 and 72 for the non-uniform pension plan as of December 31, 2024.

Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company provided Council with the Leidy Compressor Station Annual Downstream Notification.

Council was invited to meet with Senator Dush and Representative Borowicz to ask for their sponsorship of changing the official state fossil from a generic trilobite to our very own Hynerpeton Bassetti. The meeting will be held at Bucktail Area High School on April 15th at 10:00 am.

Keystone Central CTC invited Council to a work experience banquet for showing support to the students in the work experience program. This banquet will be held on Wednesday, May 14th at 6:00 pm at 64 Keystone Central Dr., Mill Hall, PA.

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Solicitor Stuart Hall provided Council with a copy of Judge Salisbury's March 21, 2025, Order concerning the proposed distribution of the funds from the September 2024 judicial sale.

The 18th Annual Equipment Show & Flagger Training will be held on Wednesday, May 28th from 9 am – 3 pm at the Clearfield County Fairgrounds. Registration deadline is May 5th, 2025.

The Secretary/Treasurer submitted a letter of resignation with the Renovo Borough. She has accepted another position but is grateful for all the support she received and all the valuable experience she has gained while employed with the borough.

The Renovo Borough Water Authority sent Council the minutes from their February 18, 2025 meeting.

The Western Clinton County Municipal Authority sent Council the minutes from their March 5, 11 and 19 meetings.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Bruno stated there was no report but he asked for council's approval to use the money(\$300) donated to the Borough for the Mayor maintaining the sidewalks near the Eagles property that the bank owned at that time. He stated he wants to replant flowers along Erie Ave, the money would help with those costs. Council stated if invoices for the purchases were turned into the Borough secretary, they had no problem using that money for that project. Once the secretary received the invoices, money would then be reimbursed to him.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration- none to report

Police/Fire Committee – Councilwomen Patricia Rauch addressed Mayor Bruno and Council about the lack of policing within the Borough. She stated from January to the present there has been very little activity on the dockets with the Magistrate. She stressed the importance of having an active police department and lately it seems there is no one on call or if they are working, they are not out patrolling.

Building Committee/Health & Sanitation- Council women Patricia Rauch brought up the ongoing problem with garbage accumulating at many properties within the Borough. She also stated that she had reached out to Codes Assessment Professionals in January to voice her concerns and still nothing has been cleaned up. She asked the Borough secretary to reach out to Codes Assessment and voice these concerns.

Mayor Bruno left the meeting at this time, 6:54 PM

Streets/Park Committee - none to report

Ordinance Committee- none to report

Grants Committee- Borough secretary updated Council on the Delaware Avenue grant. The financing authority gave the go ahead to put the project out to bid. Penn Core Consulting is currently reviewing all the grant information and will be in contact as soon as they have done so to move forward with the project.

WATER AUTHORITY BUSINESS : None to report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by M. Kelley to approve the Little League Parade on April 18, 2025 @ 5:00 PM. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

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A motion was made by P. Rauch and seconded by R. Balchun approve flagger training for Vincent Tarantella, Charles Goodling, and Leon Tarr on May 28th 9 AM- 3:00 PM at a cost of \$67.50 each. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by M. Kelley to pass Resolution 6-2025, Memorial Park grant with DCNR. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A resolution was passed last year allowing the Clinton County Commissioners to apply for the grant for Memorial Park with DCNR. In this resolution the Commissioners should not have been the one that signed the Resolution, Borough Council should have. Therefore, the Resolution needed redone with the Borough signing this one.

A motion was made by P. Rauch and seconded by M. Kelley to accept the new two-year electricity agreement with Constellation Energy. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by P. Rauch to accept the Lecce Electric annual maintenance quote. A voice vote was taken, motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by M. Kelley and seconded by R. Balchun to accept the quote from Charles Construction \$16,647.50, for paving of Woodland Ave. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

Borough Secretary asked three different companies for quotes. Wyde Excavating sent a quote in for \$17,898. EBY paving refused to give a quote due to the Borough being out of their service area.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by P. Rauch to accept Secretary Treasurer Ashley Sporny's resignation dated April 1, 2025. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by M. Kelley to keep Secretary Treasurer Ashley Sporny on the payroll until a replacement is found for the position. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

The secretary stated the position has been advertised in two local newspapers for the next four weeks of April.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by P. Rauch to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Ashley Sporny,
Secretary/Treasurer Renovo Borough Council