

Renovo Borough Council
128 5th Street, Renovo, PA 17764
October 10, 2023

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 , David Knauff, William Fornwalt III, Patricia Rauch, Kristy Serafini-Brooks and John Simon . Also in attendance were, Secretary/Treasurer Marsha Davis and Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Ashley Sporny.
Absent: Mayor Gene Bruno

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion was made by K. Serafini-Brooks and seconded by R. Balchun to accept the minutes as written for the September 13, 2023 regular meeting. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

BILLS

Administration-\$1100.38/Building-\$579.60/Fire-\$4233.44/Parks-\$533.31/Police-\$3409.80/
Streets-\$4520.88.

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

GALLERY

Shelvia Slota spoke as manager for the owners of Yesterdays. They are requesting permission to put up two handicap parking spaces as well as a loading and unloading zone. The loading and unloading zone will accommodate Step van pickups and loading and unloading of items directly in front of the entrance to the building. Ms. Slota stated that Yesterdays is also leasing the parking lot directly across from the building. Council stated that Yesterdays can put their own handicap parking signs in the parking lot if the street cannot accommodate two handicap signs in addition to the loading and unloading sign.

A motion was made by K. Serafini-Brooks and seconded by J. Simon to approve a loading/unloading sign and two handicap parking signs on Third Street for the Yesterdays building. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

Eric Williamson who is running for District Judge introduced himself to Council. He recently retired from the Marine Corps after 31 years of service. He currently lives on top of Hyner Mountain with his family.

Dave Walker, Ordinance Officer spoke with Council concerning current Ordinance violations.

MONTHLY CORRESPONDENCE

Hoy Inspection Services LLC provided council with the September 2023 report.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania sent notice of a deposit for the 2023 state aid for the Renovo Fireman's Relief Association in the amount of \$4233.44.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania sent notice of a deposit for the 2023 state aid for the Municipal Pension in the amount of \$9480.69.

Council received notice of the borough's intent to apply for roadway improvement, restoration and drainage repairs on Delaware Avenue to the PennDOT Multimodal Grant Fund.

Council reviewed a letter of support to the Greater Renovo Area Heritage Park for the Recompete Pilot Program to maintain and attract workforce to the community.

The Clinton County Conservation District notified Council that they received a Notice of Termination for the Renovo Energy Center, LLC project. The stormwater discharges associated with construction activities is terminated effective September 25, 2023.

The Keystone Central School District Adult and Community Education Supervisor informed Council that the summer recreation program was a success. The Renovo Park had an average of 13 participants per day. Becky Conklin, Supervisor is requesting the amount Council will allocate to the 2024 Park Program.

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Renovo Borough Water Authority sent council minutes from the August 15, 2023 meeting.

Western Clinton County Municipal Authority sent council the minutes from the September 6, 2023 meeting and the September 20, 2023 meeting.

MAYORS REPORT

Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration-R. Balchun read a quick report of account balances.

General Fund Checking- **\$58,762.55** (after bills are paid)

General Fund Street Maintenance Saving- **\$24,750.73** (\$57.10 int)

Highway Aid Checking- **\$406.04**

Highway Aid Savings- **\$78,713.89** (\$181.58 int)

Retirement Fund- **\$1953.60** (\$15.13 + \$9480.69 state aid-\$7542.22 contributions 1-3 Quarters)

PennDOT Projects Account-**\$51.60** (.12 int)

ARPA Covid Relief Grant-**\$127,996.15** (\$172.09 int)

Trail Development Grant-**\$12,440.83** (\$16.73 int)

September Earned Income Tax-**\$9612.43**

R. Balchun stated that the committee will start working on the budget for 2024 to present at the November 8 meeting for adoption at the December 13 meeting.

Police/Fire Committee-Nothing to report.

Building Committee/Health & Sanitation-Nothing to report.

Streets/Park Committee- Nothing to report.

Ordinance Committee- Nothing to report.

Grants Committee-Nothing to report.

WATER AUTHORITY BUSINESS

President Tarantella reported that the Renovo Borough Water Authority is in the process of applying for a Penn Vest grant to replace all the old water lines throughout the borough.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council discussed replacing the decals on the police SUV to make it more visible to the public. The estimate came in at \$900. The consensus by Council was that they voted on the ghost lettering at the time of the purchase of the vehicle and were satisfied the way it currently is.

A motion was made by P. Rauch and seconded by K. Serafini-Brooks to not purchase new decals for the police SUV at a cost of \$900. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by K. Serafini-Brooks and seconded by R. Balchun to approve Resolution 13-2023 to put in for a PennDOT Multimodal grant for Delaware Avenue improvements. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by K. Serafini-Brooks and seconded by R. Balchun to apply for a Local Share Grant for Delaware Avenue improvements. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

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A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by J. Simon to donate \$200 to the Bucktail Medical Center. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by K. Serafini-Brooks and seconded by J. Simon to have trick or treating on October 31, 2023 from 6pm to 8 pm. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by P. Rauch and seconded by R. Balchun to apply for a new storage shed for the summer park program supplies through the Clinton County Community Foundation grant. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by P. Rauch to lay off Leon Tarr beginning November 2, 2023 with last day of employment to be November 1, 2023. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by K. Serafini-Brooks that all technical services provide a cost estimate before performing any work. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by P. Rauch and seconded by K. Serafini-Brooks to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Marsha Davis, Secretary/Treasurer
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