

Renovo Borough Council
128 5th Street, Renovo, PA 17764
September 21, 2020

A special 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, William Fornwalt III, David Knauff, Patricia Rauch, Kristy Serafini-Brooks, John Simon and Mayor Thomas Tarantella, Jr. Also in attendance were Secretary/Treasurer Marsha Davis and Solicitor Stuart Hall.

A special meeting was held for personnel matters and any other business to come before the borough.

GALLERY

Representatives from the Department of Emergency Services were in attendance to discuss personnel issues concerning a Renovo Borough employee. Those in attendance were Andrew Kremser-Director, Travis Hillyer-Coordinator and Joshua McGill-TAC Officer.

Attorneys, Michael Miller and Ed Schweikert from Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC, were in attendance via teleconference during Executive Session. Attorney Michael Miller is representing the Renovo Borough in negotiations for the arbitration of the Police Collective Bargaining Agreement.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A motion was made by D. Knauff and seconded by K. Serafini-Brooks to accept Officer Victor Foley's resignation as a full-time officer for Renovo Borough submitted on September 9, 2020 with his last day of full-time employment to be September 24, 2020. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by K. Serafini-Brooks and seconded by R. Balchun to hire Michael Miller of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC as the Renovo Borough's Arbitrator for the Police Collective Bargaining Agreement negotiations at \$255 an hour. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

Council went into Executive Session at 6:05 pm for the evaluation and performance of borough employees. Council also discussed the strategy and negotiations relating to the negotiations and arbitration of a Police Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Executive Session ended at 8:14 pm.

Council discussed the upcoming Trick-or-Treating and safety concerns with Covid-19. Council was in agreement that those who didn't wish to participate due to Covid-19 concerns could simply choose not to do so.

A motion was made by R. Balchun and seconded by K. Serafini-Brooks to set Trick-or-Treat hours for Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 6:00 pm through 8:00 pm with participants following CDC guidelines. A voice vote was taken, with six (6) yes votes and one (1) no vote from P. Rauch due to Covid-19 concerns. Motion passed.

A motion was made by K. Serafini-Brooks and seconded by R. Balchun to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. A voice vote was taken, motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Marsha Davis, Secretary/Treasurer
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