

**Port Carbon Borough Council  
Work Session Meeting  
March 01, 2022**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Scott Krater, President, a  
Ron Zimmerman, Vice-President, p  
James McBreen, p  
Jespersion, Treasurer, p  
Tiffany Sullivan, P  
Megan Borowski, p  
William Devers, p  
Jorge Sullivan, p

**ANCILLARY MEMBERS**

Harold Herndon, Mayor, p  
William Burke, Solicitor, a  
Sharon  
Loretta Skoufalos, Secretary, p

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Ron Zimmerman opening with the pledge of Allegiance.

R Zimmerman asked for a moment of silence for Past Council President, Mr. Ray Steranko.

**Announcement of Executive Session-** There was no Executive Session held.

**Citizens Portion-**Dave Rubright (borough supervisor), informed council know he is in need of coal patch for the potholes in town.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** No report

**Public Works-** The borough has to give our allotment of salt to Co-Stars for 2022/2023.  
Motioned by W Devers/ Second by M. Borowski

**Property-** Discussion and Vote on 318 N Coal Street- Attorney B Burke is to file for exoneration of property.  
Motioned by J McBreen/ second by W Devers.

**Safety-** No Report

**Recreation-** Discussion on Cornhole Tournament/ S Krater has a call into Mike Bolino about the insurance for the tournament.

The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 16<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm to 1:00 pm at Mirwal Playground, Infants to 10 years old. (Weather permitting)

**Zoning/Code Enforcement-**

The complaint made about the skids was addressed, Nick Hazlett, code enforcement Officer made contact with the person(s), they have approximately 2 weeks to clean it up or they will receive a citation.

**Rental Registration-**J McBreen sent out 143 mailings, of that 25 units are now registered, 10 contacts were not rentals and 89 no news or contact from.

J McBreen conversed with R Zimmerman about getting access and the password to ecode 360, to clean it up. J McBreen contacted Course Victor who runs our website, we can have our ordinances though their document system, it comes with our Borough Association Dues, it would save us roughly \$1,000. A year of we do away with ecode 360. If council is OK with this option.

Door hangers came in for the Quality of Life. J McBreen thanked Brainstorm, Eric Seigfried for a job well done.

**Personnel-** no report

**Sanitation**- Tamaqua Transfer text J McBreen to thank the street Department for a job well done clearing the winter precipitation from the street, it made their job easier. Also, the scheduling of clean up in town is tentatively set for June 11, 2022 which is after our Community Yard Sale on June 4, 2022, if council agrees we will set that date.

Rick Stover has some issues with the delinquent Account, J McBreen will be in touch with L Skoufalos to go over the spreadsheet.

**Special**-R Zimmerman attended The GPASA Meeting last week, apparently after R Zimmerman and Palo Alto voiced their opinion at a previous meeting, GPASA had a meeting, February 11, 2022 with The City of Pottsville, DEP, & Penn Best, summing it up at this point, their hands are tied. DEP had a lot of questions and concerns. DEP is supposed to be reaching out to us along with Palo Alto. According to Attorney Brennan who represents The Sewer Authority, they are coming to tell us we are next to separate storm/sewer water, etc. Palo Alto drafted a letter, President Council Dries was going to send it to S Karter to take a look at so we can do a similar letter. Upon S Krater receiving the letter, he will send it to all council members to look at. Basically, we are expressing how we feel about the situation and we would like more representation than what we are given right now and for them to be more open to us because we are a Charter Member. There will be no vote tonight because we have not seen the letter, maybe for next meeting. J McBreen motioned to accept The Committee Reports/ M Borowski second the motion.

**Treasurer's Report**- No Report

**Mayor's Report**- H Herndon handed out information on the new police car, and put a hold on the vote until council has a look at the information and make a comparison. Officer Joe Murton informed everyone at the meeting there are some modifications that can be done to the police cars when ordering.

Motion to accept Mayor's Report T Sullivan motioned/W Devers second the motion.

**New Business**- T Sullivan had concerns with the coyotes in Scheontown, if they are spotted on the streets, you are to call the Game Commissioner.

**Citizens Portion**-Dave Rubright left council know there are a few roads that need replacing in the borough.

**Adjournment**- R Zimmerman made a motion for Adjournment motion to adjourn T Sullivan/ M Borowski second the motion. Meeting Adjourned.

Loretta Skoufalos,  
Borough Secretary