

**Port Carbon Borough Council
Regular Session Meeting
May 21, 2024**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Scott Krater, President, A
James McBreen, Vice-Président, p
Ron Zimmerman, p
Tiffany Sullivan, p
Megan Borowski, p
William Devers, p
Jorge Sullivan, p

ANCILLARY MEMBERS

Harold Herndon, Mayor, call-in
James Conville, Solicitor, p
Margaret Lubinsky, Treasurer, p
Loretta Skoufalos, Secretary, p

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

Meeting Minutes Approval (April 2024)

J McBreen entertained a motion to accept minutes T Sullivan motioned/ W Devers second the motion.

Executive Session-

There was an Executive Session called at 7:07 PM, ending at 7:24 PM, pertaining to legal matters.

Citizens Portion-

G Thomas/concerned citizen about the mess that Penn Dot is leaving behind while doing work within the Borough. Also 200 Market Street received a warning ticket about the high grass, the gentleman that lives there is on Hospice and I think its wrong, there should be some investigation before handing out tickets. Mr. Modesto & friend came to his aid and cut the grass.

Committee Reports:

Finance-

Possibility of Borough Audits by Snyder & Clemente of Sugarloaf, Pa (Discussion Only)

R Zimmerman is working on the budget with Peggy. Borough Audits need to be done from 2019 & forward

Public Works-

- i. **Stormwater Inlet Projects Funding (Discussion & Possible Vote)**
Jackson & Washington Intersection
First & Nicols Intersection
Third & Broad Intersection

If we need inlet work done, that's when it should be done

J McBreen entertained a motion to proceed with all 3 projects contingent upon funding.

W Devers motioned/ second by R Zimmerman

J McBreen/Did we get the Ridgeway Sign? Directed to Dave Rubright, we need a sign that reads," TO RIDGEWAY DRIVE" above the Center Street sign. Dave to get on it, he was unaware that it was needed.

Dave Rubright/The flags & banners are up. We need to get at least 35 more flags next year. We received an extra or duplicate banner, can we get a credit, if so, can we get fiberglass poles or brackets. J McBreen to check on it. Jim McBreen thanked the street crew fir their hard work on hanging all the flags& banners

Property-

i. Sale of 208 Valley Street (Discussion & Vote)

ii. Sale of 501 2nd Street (Discussion & Vote)

R Zimmerman/these 2 properties we purchased off the repository list & then we applied to the County & the County used demolition funds to tear them down. The way it works, The County puts a lien against the

property for the cost of the demolition. Then the County will accept the fair market value of the property off the CAMA card off the computer or you can have an appraisal done & they'll take the lesser of those for the minimum bid. 208 Valley Street is approximately. over 5 K, 501 2nd Street is approximately. less than 2 K. We do not have to advertise because they are under 6K each.

J McBreen motioned to proceed with the sale of Properties, W Devers motioned/T Sullivan second the motion.

W Devers/The library needs a letter from the Borough stating they /we are not charging them in anyway for their games of chance. W Devers will have more news tomorrow.

Safety-

J McBreen/we (the Safety Committee) have to meet sometime to go over Police negotiations

Recreation-

T Sullivan/There is a person interested in using the field.

Zoning/Code Enforcement-

J McBreen/ There is a hearing scheduled with the Magistrate about Mr. Yakatis Building on 2nd Street.

On rental registrations, there are 49 properties that were delinquent. Before sending out Notices, I have to double check on registration & payments received.

J McBreen/N Hazlett requested a hearing for the Quinn Property on 400 Market Street, he had to file a continuance because of his vacation, but it's on the docket.

Dave Rubright/The NO PARKING SIGNS on 4th Street are being ignored, H Herndon quoted, he will let the Police know. We need to draft an Ordinance, Advertise, & vote on it at a meeting to enforce correctly for violation.

129 Jackson Street/ rodents spotted in the high grass.

Personnel- no report

Sanitation-

Sanitation pick-up is Saturday because of Memorial Day.

June 15, 2024 is clean-up in town.

Watershed-

Code Red off the table at the moment

Special- no report

Treasurers Report-

Margaret Lubinsky reported: The General Fund Beginning Balance ending 4/30/24 \$73,114.60

Checks & Payments	\$17,787.08
Deposits & Credits	\$263,354.72
Cleared Balance	\$318,682.24
Ending Balance	\$551,629.00

J McBreen entertained a motion to accept Treasurers Report, R Zimmerman motioned/J Sullivan second the motion.

Tax Collector Report- 5/1/24 to 5/15/24

Beginning Balance \$72,390.25 taxes

\$182.20 Per Capita Collected

\$318.99 Borough Tax

We received a check from Mary Jo Ferraro for \$72,891.44

There was a motion to accept the Tax Collector Report, R Zimmerman motioned/T Sullivan second the motion

Engineer Report-

J McBreen motioned to approve J Phillips Excavation application for payment No. 1. For Green Garden project. W Devers motioned/R Zimmerman second the motion.
. J Tohill report attached

Fire Chief Report-

A total of 29 calls for the month of April 2024- 7 Fire Calls/22 EMS calls

Mayor Report-

H Herndon/Memorial Day is Monday, Services right after parade.

Emergency Management- no report

Solicitor Report-

Attorney James Conville/working on a couple things I was instructed to.

Unfinished Business-no report

New Business-

ARGO, meeting for funding, next Thursday.

Citizens Portion-

Adjournment- J McBreen, Vice-President entertained a motion for Adjournment

T Sullivan motioned to Adjourn/R Zimmerman second the motion.

Meeting Adjourned.
Respectfully Submitted,

Loretta Skoufalos,
Borough Secretary