

**ARCHBALD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Joseph Simon. A moment of Silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Tomassoni, Munley, Williams, Grandinetti, and Simon. Mayor Barrett was in attendance. Shnipes, Jr. and Durkin not in attendance.

Public Input

Maria Glunknis from Hampton Drive stated she called the borough in 2012 about her yard and driveway starting to sink. In the spring of 2013 she called the borough again stating her yard sunk even more. Mrs. Glunknis stated she was told the borough engineer would look at her situation. In August 2013 the engineer told her the assessment was done, but she did not hear anything. Currently she has cracks in the foundation of her home and driveway and the lawn is mushy. Mr. Simon stated he received an email from the engineer today about the situation. Mr. Simon stated the borough will look at the cost estimates and recommendation from the engineer. Mr. Giordano stated KBA did some work on the Jessup end of this project and will contact KBA to see what they did.

James Casey asked if it is possible to apply for CDBG Funds for 2nd Street in Eynon. Mr. Simon stated the borough tried and it did not qualify for CDBG Funds. Mr. Simon stated the borough is looking at new draining systems that may work for 2nd Street. Mr. Giordano will talk to the borough engineer about these new systems. Mr. Casey also asked if the road on the new trail from Jermyn to Archbald is a public road. Mayor Barrett stated the road is an access road for the sewer plant employees only and if you see a car you may report it to the police and they will check and make sure they are employees only.

Karen Thomas stated safety issues on 2nd Street. 4-5 inches of ice builds up on the corner of Pierce and 2nd, also at the end of 2nd where it meets Kennedy. Ms. Thomas stated she drove the access road and it seems like a typical road with filled potholes. Mr. Simon stated there were 5 rollovers on the access road last year. Mr. Munley stated it is not the access road vs 2nd Street. Mr. Munley stated council must look at all the projects in the borough.

New Business

Mr. Williams stated the state has a program for loans with a 1.5% interest rate. Mr. Williams suggested looking into relinquishing Staback Park back to the state, stating the borough spends over \$50,000.00 on this park a year. Mr. Williams stated the borough may be able to come up with the principle and interest payment if the borough did not have the Staback Park expense. Mr. Simon stated he will have Mr. O'Connor look into the Staback Park agreement so the borough can relinquish the maintain agreement correctly.

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Ms. Tomassoni stated the Memorial Day parade timeline sheets were distributed to all council members. This sheet includes times for the parade. Ms. Tomassoni stated the last meeting for the Memorial Day parade is May 20th at 6pm at Tomassoni Dance studio.

Mr. Munley stated on Sunday May 18th the flags on the graves will be replaced. They will meet at 1:00 in the parking lot of the Post at 426 Main Street. There will be picnic after and all are welcome to come and help.

Motions

Motion by Munley, second by Tomassoni to approve the minutes of April 9, 2014 regular meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Williams, second by Grandinetti to accept Reports – Treasurer, Controller, Solicitor, Engineer, Building Inspector, Borough Manager and Mayor’s Report. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Williams, second by Munley authorizing payment of April General Fund bills totaling \$135,059.65. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Grandinetti, second by Munley to appoint Tom Butler, John Binner, Christian Capone, Matt Carter, Travis Chamberlain, Lewis Chirico, Gene Cholish, Joseph Farrell, Joseph Laboranti, Corey Lucas, Turique Patrick, Stephanie Racht, John Wilson, and Alan Wright Special Police from June 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014 provided they are to be used only to replace a full time regular officer who cannot work due to allowable time off and not to exceed 33 shifts. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Tomassoni to authorize a Request for Proposals for pension investment services. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Williams authorizing the submission of a Watershed Restoration and Protection Program grant application for the replacement of the deteriorating culvert and storm water system that conveys Tinklepaugh Creek under First Street. (15% Borough match required). Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

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Motion by Munley, second by Tomassoni to engage the services of Joyce Hatala to prepare the Watershed Restoration and Protection Program grant application. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Williams authorizing the Borough Solicitor to solicit quotes from financial institutions for a proposed capital improvements borrowing. Roll call vote, Tomassoni, Munley, Williams and Simon for it. Grandinetti abstained. Motion carried.

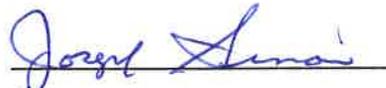
Motion by Munley, second by Grandinetti to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Dawn Rudalavage
Borough Secretary-Treasurer



Joseph Simon
President of Council

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