

**ARCHBALD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes, September 11, 2013**

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: Barrett, Durkin, Munley, Propst, and Simon present. Grandinetti, Williams and Mayor Fairbrother not in attendance.

**Public Input –**

Mike Matisko stated he has a water problem that comes down the street and between him and his neighbor. Mr. Matisko stated he put a pipe in for the water that connects to the borough's pipe but it cannot handle heavy rain. The water comes over his curb and in the winter it freezes. Mr. Simon stated he will take a look at it on Sept 12<sup>th</sup> around 9-9:30 am. Mr. Matisko stated he will be home.

Florie Palmero stated the property next to her is overgrown and she has been taking care of it for years and cannot do it anymore. The limbs push against her fence. Ms. Palmero asked if the borough can site the owners under the nuisance ordinance. Mr. Simon stated he believes the nuisance ordinance does not apply if the land was never developed. Mr. Simon asked Mr. O'Connor to look into the ordinance and if applicable, the borough will site the owners.

**Council Reports**

Mr. Munley stated the Archbald Youth Baseball League is looking into construction or converting a field to 50/70. This is between little league and teener league. Mr. Munley stated he is checking into maybe Staback Park or converting an existing field at AC.

Mr. Propst stated the farmers market is going very well on Saturdays. There is a larger selection every week.

Mrs. Barrett asked if the borough found out who owns the land on the corner of Hill and Rock Streets. Mr. Giordano stated Charlene from the railroads is looking into it. Mrs. Barrett asked if the borough can fill the hole by Hosie's house with dirt or gravel. She stated the cars are bottoming out on this road. Mr. Giordano stated he spoke to Mike and will remind him to look into it. Mrs. Barrett stated the house on Cherry Street is still not cleaned up and she has been looking into this for the past few months. Mr. Simon asked Mr. Lemoncelli to look into this matter and check where it is with the magistrate. Mrs. Barrett stated with the recent break ins in town that the borough should start up a crime watch again. She stated Mr. Shnipes mentioned he would take care of the section of Eynon near his house, since he did have some activity there. Mr. Simon stated the borough would have a meeting on October 2, 2013 at the work session.

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Mr. Durkin stated he will be meeting with Mike Hill next week about the tax collection. Mr. Durkin also stated he need budgets from every committee and they are due today.

### **New Business-**

Archbald Hose Company #1 is having their Beef & Brew Bash and is requesting to put a banner across Main Street. Mr. Simon suggested the lower side of Main and Kennedy. Mr. Simon stated the borough would look into helping the hose company put it up.

Electronic recycling is tentatively set for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in October at the borough garage.

The Eynon Archbald Lions Club is requesting to put an old retired mailbox in front of the borough building as a drop off for old glasses. Mrs. Barrett suggested in front a post office or bank. Mr. Simon stated when the sidewalks in front of the borough building are complete, he would look into putting it out front.

Old Business- None at this time.

### **Motions**

Motion by Munley, second by Durkin to approve the minutes of August 14, 2013 Council Meeting. All ayes.

Motion by Propst, second by Barrett to accept Reports – Treasurer, Controller, Engineer, Building Inspector, Borough Manager and Mayor's Report. All ayes.

Motion by Durkin, second by Munley authorizing payment of July General Fund bills totaling \$146,798.85 and Grant Checking Account (Betty Street Project) bills totaling \$87,318.00. Roll call vote, all ayes.

Motion by Barrett, second by Propst to appoint John Binner, Christian Capone, Matt Carter, Travis Chamberlain, Lewis Chirico, Gene Cholish, Joseph Farrell, Corey Lucas, Brian Munley, Turique Patrick, Stephanie Racht, John Wilson, and Alan Wright Special Police from October 1, 2013 to October 31, 2013 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 ayes.

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Motion by Munley, second by Durkin to approve a Resolution authorizing the President of Council to submit a Local Share Account Grant application to DCED for the reconstruction of Peggy Drive, the Valley View School District access road. All ayes.

Motion by Propst, second by Munley to approve a Resolution authorizing the President of Council to submit a Local Share Account Grant application to DCED for the reconstruction of Second Street. All ayes.

Motion by Munley, second by Barrett to approve a Resolution authorizing the President of Council to submit a Local Share Account Grant application to DCED on behalf of Hricak McAndrew American Legion Post 869 for a project for improvements to their facility. All ayes.

Motion by Munley, second by Propst to approve revised Thomas J. Anderson & Associates calculations of the 2014 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Archbald Borough Police Pension Plan in the amount of \$59,657.00. Roll call vote, all ayes.

Motion by Barrett, second by Propst to engage the services of Brian T. Kelly, CPA to perform the Betty Street Lighting Project closeout audit. Question by Mr. Durkin to get bids for year's audit of General Funds. Mr. Durkin stated the borough had to wait too long for 2012 audit of General Funds from Brian T. Kelly, CPA. All ayes.

Motion by Munley, second by Barrett to adjourn. All ayes.

ATTEST:

ARCHBALD BOROUGH



Dawn Rudalavage  
Borough Secretary-Treasurer



Joseph Simon  
President of Council