

**ARCHBALD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Gilgallon at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence. Roll call Burke, Owen, Mancuso, Simon, Moran, Ossont and Gilgallon were present. Mayor Barrett was absent.

Bid Openings:

Archbald Borough Veterans Monument Park Project Phase I

Name of Bidder:	Total Bid Price:	Bond Included:
Pioneer Construction Co., Inc. 3298 Lake Ariel Hwy. Honesdale, PA 18431	\$420,000.00 Base Bid \$930.00/LF. (Add Alternate Per Unit Price) \$45,500.00 (Add Alternate Static Pad) \$69,500.00 (Add Alternate Pavilion Pad)	YES
Scartelli Construction Services and General Contractors Inc. 1202 South Main Ave. Scranton, PA 18504	\$348,000.00 Base Bid \$720.00/LF. (Add Alternate Per Unit Price) \$35,500.00 (Add Alternate Static Pad) \$71,000.00 (Add Alternate Pavilion Pad)	YES

Archbald Borough Veterans Monument Park Project Phase II

Name of Bidder:	Total Bid Price:	Bond Included:
PG Memorials P.O. Box 521 Derbyline, VT. 05830	\$99,636.00 Base Bid \$3,600.00 Add Alternative I \$4,800.00 Add Alternative II \$108,036.00 Total	YES
Monuments by Parise 1975 Scranton-Carbondale Hwy Blakely, PA 18447	\$89,735.00 Base Bid \$4,500.00 Add Alternative I \$5,400.00 Add Alternative II \$99,635.00 Total	YES

Public Input

Mr. Tom Aniska presented a summary of the Community Development and Economic Committee. He read the meeting minutes and announced the following members:

- President – Tom Aniska
- Vice President – Tammy Misewicz-Healey
- Secretary – Kayleigh Cornell
- Council Liason – Dave Moran
- Members – Mark Gallagher, Liam Pryle, Kevin O’Shea

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Mr. Aniska stated the committee will focus on a few projects to start. Some of the ideas they have are to look into grants available to transform empty lots into community gardens, designing a “Welcome to Archbald” brochure. They will look into making a walkable complex around the Oil House and revitalize the downtown Main St. He announced the Community Development and Economic Committee meetings are held the second Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be Thursday, June 10, at 7:00 pm. The public is invited to attend and they will be looking for volunteers for sub-committees. In closing, he asked Council to encourage and embrace the ideas of this energetic committee. He thanked those for their help in putting together the committee.

Council Members Reports

Mr. Moran said he was excited about the new Community Development and Economic Committee and the ideas they have for community projects. He does want to see sub committees formed to help get some projects started. They will look for grants and money that may be available to help start the projects they can do now and see what is available in the future.

Mr. Ossont announced the Finance Committee will meet Thursday, May 20th at 5:00 pm.

Mrs. Owen announced the Monthly Safety Meeting will be Tuesday, May 25th at 10:00 am. Also, the Safety Stand Down Training for Electrical Safety presented by Brian Dulay, who worked very hard on the presentation, will be Friday, June 4th at 12:00 pm. She wished everyone a Happy Memorial Day.

Mr. Mancuso reported the DPW crew is working tirelessly on recycling and recouping from the recent storm and flooding.

Mr. Burke announced the Hricak-McAndrew Legion members will have a Coin Drop Sunday, May 30th 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. They will begin their Memorial Day ceremonies at the local cemeteries at 7:00 am on Memorial Day followed by the firing squad ceremony at 11:00 am in front of the Hricak-McAndrew Legion, 161 S. Main St., Archbald. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Unfinished Business

1. Senior Housing Committee – United Neighborhood Centers
2. Sturges Paving Project – PIB Loan Pending
3. Fire and Emergency Services Study – Date TBD
4. Volunteer Firefighter Tax Credit Ordinance
5. General Code Review Committee
6. RAVE Mobile Safety Alert System
7. Recycling

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New Business

1. Knox Box Ordinance
2. Mandatory Numbering of All Buildings

Motions

Motion by Ossont second by Burke to approve the April 21 and April 28, 2021 Regular Council meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen second by Mancuso to approve the April 2021 HNB General Fund bills totaling \$268,186.81 and checks from the Fire Escrow General Fund in the amount of \$12,900.00 totaling \$281,056.81. Roll call. Burke, Owen, Mancuso, Simon, Moran, Ossont, and Gilgallon in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen second by Burke to accept Reports – Treasurer, Building Inspector, Tax Collector’s Report, Mayor’s Report, and Planning Commission. Roll call. Burke, Owen, Mancuso, Simon, Moran, Ossont, and Gilgallon in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen second by Ossont to adopt a Resolution where the Lackawanna County 2021 Hazard Mitigation Plan is adopted as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of Archbald Borough and the respected officials are hereby directed to implement activities assigned to them. Roll call. Burke, Owen, Mancuso, Simon, Moran, Ossont, and Gilgallon in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen second by Mancuso to accept the resignation of Robert Paone from the Gravity Slope Colliery Authority effective May 19, 2021. Roll call. Burke, Owen, Mancuso, Simon, Moran, Ossont, and Gilgallon in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ossont second by Owen to appoint Rob Solomon and Rick Scopelliti to the Gravity Slope Colliery Authority to a 5 year-term expiring December 31, 2026. Roll call. Burke, Owen, Mancuso, Simon, Moran, Ossont, and Gilgallon in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen second by Ossont to authorize the annual subscription for the RAVE Mobile Safety Alert System in the amount of \$6184.00. Roll call. Burke, Owen, Mancuso, Simon, Moran, Ossont, and Gilgallon in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mancuso second by Burke to continue the meeting on Monday, May 24, 2021 at 6:00 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

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