

ARCHBALD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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Public Input

None at this time.

Unfinished Business

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4. Fire and Emergency Services Study – On going. The Fire Study is 90% complete. The Emergency Study is ongoing still. The consultant will be here March 24th.
5. Request to Vacate Parcel between 1104 and 1108 East Filbert St. There is a motion tonight.
6. 4th Street Flood Mitigation Project is almost ready to be bid out. The borough will be opening bids in April.
7. Municipal Building Update. The land is closed on, Archbald Borough owns it by a grant. The design is complete. Congressman Cartwright was shown the presentation and was very happy seeking federal funding for this project.
8. Recycling Event scheduled for April 26, 2022. Mr. Turlip will advertise this event also.
9. Police Regionalization Study was requested along with 7 other municipalities, Mayfield, Jermyn, Jessup, Blakely, Olyphant, Throop and Dickson City. This study will take a while due to all municipalities. We have already been approved to do the study.
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New Business

1. Memorial Day Parade scheduled for May 30, 2022. There will be a meeting on March 23, 2022 at 6:00pm in council chambers.
2. Fishing Derby scheduled for May 7, 2022. Registration is at 7:00am derby starts at 8am.
3. MS-4 Information Billboard. One of the requirements for MS-4 is a billboard that shows MS-4 education to the public. Mr. Turlip reached out to Lamar for a price on the billboard and it will be \$745.00. This is a requirement to get the MS-4 out.

Council Members Reports

Burke thanked Mrs. Lewis for helping at Quinn's.

Mancuso stated DPW did a great job with the snow.

Lewis stated she is glad the Borough is having a Memorial Day Parade.

Ossont stated the Borough has a finance committee meeting tomorrow and he will report next month,

Owen stated she asked Council if we can open Staback Park earlier. Mr. Turlip stated the restrooms will not be delivered until April 14th. Mrs. Owen stated if the Borough could put identification on the borough trucks. Mr. Turlip stated it will cost \$2,000.00 per truck for lettering.

Mayor Barrett stated she will have a full report on beautification in April. Also, the cleanup will be May 14th.

Motions

1. Motion by Owen, second by Mancuso to approve the February 16, 2022, Regular Council meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.
2. Motion by Mancuso, second by Burke to approve the February 2022 HNB General Fund bills totaling \$302,599.60, checks from the 902 Recycling Grant totaling \$195,234.00, checks from the 2021 DCED GTRP James Radzelovage Grant totaling \$4,866.50, checks from the DCNR Pike Street Park Grant totaling \$1,718.00, checks from the Capital Projects Fund totaling \$23,500.00, checks from the Paving Project PIB Loan account totaling \$9,835.25 and checks from the Police Pension Fund totaling \$27,987.39 for a total of \$565,740.74. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to accept Reports – Treasurer, Building Inspector, Tax Collector's Report, Mayor's Report, and Planning Commission. All in favor, motion carried.
4. Motion to adopt an Ordinance vacating a portion of an unopened alley located perpendicular to East Filbert Street and being between two (2) properties, 1104 and 1108 East Filbert Street, in Archbald Borough.
5. Motion by Mancuso, Second by Ossont to table Motion Number 4. All in favor, motion carried.

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6. Motion by Ossont, second by Lewis to accept the resignation of Tom Aniska from the Community Development and Economic Committee effective February 23, 2022. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
7. Motion by Owen, second by Ossont to appoint Clifford Capuano to the Community Development and Economic Committee effective March 16, 2022 to fill out the remaining term of Tom Aniska. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
8. Motion by Ossont, second by Mancuso to appoint Jaime Kane and Donna Groysman as alternate members on the Community Development and Economic Committee effective March 16, 2022. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
9. Motion by Owen, second by Burke to accept the resignation of Michele Bianchi as Borough Secretary effective March 10, 2022. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Ossont, second by Burke to advertise to hire a Borough Secretary at a rate of \$15.00/hour for 20 hours/week. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
11. Motion Ossont, second by Lewis to award the sale of a 2013 Ford Taurus Police Car, Municibid #41889258 to the high bidder Christopher Andreano for \$4,201.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Owen, second by Ossont to award the sale of a 2013 Ford Explorer Police Car, Municibid #41889550 to the high bidder Scott Brass for \$8,100.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
13. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to award the sale of a 2014 Ford Explorer Police Car, Municibid #41889308 to the high bidder Moshe Fogel for \$7,000.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to authorize the purchase of a billboard for MS-4 Education in the amount of \$745.00 for a period of four (4) weeks from Lamar of Scranton, 700 James Avenue, Scranton, PA 18510. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to enter into an agreement by and between SEIU Local 668 and Archbald Borough to hire a minimum of four (4) temporary/summer employees at a rate of \$10.00/hour for no more than ninety (90) days. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Ossont, second by Lewis to advertise to hire four (4) temporary/summer employees for no more than ninety (90) days at a rate of \$10.00/hour with no benefits. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

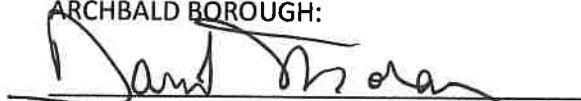
17. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to award the James Radzelovage Park Renovation Project to low bidder Wayco, Incorporated with a base bid amount of \$89,611.24. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
18. Motion by Owen, second Lewis to authorize David Moran and Robert Turlip to attend the PSAB 110th Annual Conference & Exhibition at the Hershey Lodge, PA from May 22-25, 2022 at a cost of \$1891.94 for registration and lodging expenses. Roll call vote, Lewis, Ossont, Burke, Mancuso, and Owen for it. Moran abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen, second by Ossont to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

ATTEST:



ARCHBALD BOROUGH:


David Moran, President of Council