

ARCHBALD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

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

Bid opening – Route 6/East Street Culvert Project: Archbald Borough did receive a bid bond with each bid.

Pioneer Construction 3298 Lake Ariel Hwy Honesdale, PA 18431	\$523,954.30
American Asphalt Paving 500 Chase Road Shavertown, PA 18708	\$394,643.00
James O'Hara Inc 205 Old School House Rd Covington twp., PA 18444	\$476,635.00
Linde Corporation 118 Armstrong Rd Pittston, PA 18640	\$486,618.35
Sikora Bros Paving 110 Nevel Hollow Rd Hunlock Creek, PA 18621	\$455,133.00
Ken Rauch Excavating Inc 20025 SR 706 Montrose, PA 18801	\$406,300.00
Minichi Inc 453 Ziegler St Dupont, PA 18641	\$541,000.00
Machiesky Construction 661 Laurel Street Mayfield, PA 18433	\$377,000.00
T. Brennan 66 Crystal Lake Rd Fell Twp, PA 18407	\$809,392.00
Wayco Inc 198 O'Connell Rd Waymart, PA 18472	\$273,256.30
Stafursky Paving 3 Export Lane Archbald PA 18403	\$319,392.11

Public Input

Jean Yesalavage stated the last zoning board she served was December 2021. There was only 3 members to be a quorum. She stated she did not know she could have abstained. She stated she was hesitant to vote yes, but she did. She does not want the plant built. She asked what could be done at this time. She believes the bylaws should ready all members should be present if the items involve the whole borough. Atty. O'Connor stated there is nothing that can be done now. Also, the next issue she would like to discuss is the renaming of two streets in the Borough, Main Street in Eynon and Main Street in Archbald. She stated she would like someone from town to have the street named after, maybe Harry Sugarman. Mr. Moran stated the Borough can distribute a questioner to Main Street in Eynon and also Kennedy for feedback on this matter.

Chris Carone, 200 Kennedy Drive is asking for help with the address problems also. He stated there are two 200 Kennedy Drive addresses. He has had problems getting packages and also, he gets packages that are not his. He is having problems getting food deliveries. His biggest concern is with emergency services not being able to get to his house in case of an emergency.

Joe Rudalavage stated he is having the same issue with addresses. He lives at 608 Main Street and is having issues with delivers to his house. He stated if the Borough can reinstate the old zip code for Eynon (18418) this would fix the problem.

Tim Trently, Chief of Police would like to talk about a few things. The new patrol cars are here and finally on the roads. April 2, 2022 all emergency services were called to Alysworth Park for a tragic situation where a young lady lost her life. He would like to commend all Officers, Ems, Fire Services, and Dive Team for their heroic efforts in this matter. Chief stated maybe the Borough can make a donation to the Dive Team.

Unfinished Business

Senior Housing Committee – United Neighborhood Centers. Project is moving along they are at the engineering stage of parcel they are looking at. The parcel is located off Valella Drive it is a 5-acre parcel.

Sturges Paving Project and Dutch Hill Paving Project are ongoing. They will both be starting up Monday. There is a list of 24 streets that will be completed this year.

Fire and Emergency Services Study both studies have been completed and sent to DCED. They are under review at DCED. Then the consultants will contact council to set a date to review the reports.

4th Street Flood Mitigation Project engineering is almost complete and we will have the bids out in the next few months.

Municipal Building Update. The land has been closed on and now the borough is seeking funding for the municipal building. Mr. Turlip wrote a 3-million-dollar federal grant that was submitted to congressman Cartwright.

Recycling Event will be held on April 26, 2022

Police Regionalization Study there are 8 municipalities involved. Archbald has returned their survey but the study cannot get underway until all 8 return their surveys.

Summer Camp Program we only received 2 applicants and both are under 18. The Borough needs at least 2 employees over 18.

Pre-emption System SR6 & Betty Street/Generator Emergency Receptacles cost \$10,000.00. Council can either table it until next year's budget or discuss at the next budget meeting.

Memorial Day Parade next meeting is April 27th.

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Fishing Derby is May 7th. Everting is coming together. We have numerous prizes, trophies, the fish truck is coming in the morning so the kids can stock the park. The derby starts at 8am.

New Business

Signage- there are quotes in the packets from Mr. Cluck for signs. Mr. Turlip suggest the Borough starts with the signs where we are paving.

Fire Hydrant Project. The Archbald Neighborhood Association will be painting fire hydrants.

Sturges Park Slide needs to be replaced.

Safety Product – BW Technologies Multi-Gas Detector. In the safety committee meeting it was brought up to purchase these Multi-Gas Detectors. This would be for our DPW and Code Enforcement when entering homes or sewers, ext. The sales quote is \$1,397.98 for 2 of these unites.

Motions

1. Motion by Mancuso, second by Burke to approve the March 16, 2022, Regular Council meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.
2. Motion by Gilgallon, second by Lewis to approve the March 2022 HNB General Fund bills totaling \$427,774.10. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Owen, second by Gilgallon to accept Reports – Treasurer, Building Inspector, Tax Collector’s Report, Mayor’s Report, and Planning Commission. All in favor, motion carried.
4. Motion by Gilgallon, second by Mancuso to cancel the 2022 Summer Camp Program due to the non-availability of qualified staff. Rolle call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Owen, second by Burke to authorize the purchase of two (2) BW Technologies Flex Multi-Gas Detectors and Accessories from Industrial Safety Products in the amount of \$1,397.98. Rolle call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Ossont, second by Gilgallon to authorize the purchase of a 72” Viper Slide from Burke for Sturgis Park in the amount of \$8,320.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
7. Motion by Owen, second by Ossont to hire Sam Pittman and Louis Marion as Temporary Department of Public Works Laborers for no more than one hundred and eighty (180) days at a rate of \$16.00/hour with no benefits. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
8. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to advertise to hire one (1) Full-time Department of Public Works Laborer with an annual salary of \$44,495.20 and benefits. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

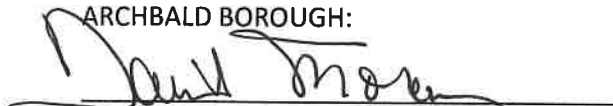
9. Motion by Ossont, second by Gilgallon to hire Kevin Chernesky as a Part-time Patrolman at a rate of \$22.15/hour with no benefits. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Ossont, second by Owen to make a motion to adopt an Ordinance vacating a portion of an unopened alley located perpendicular to East Filbert Street and being between two (2) properties, 1104 and 1108 East Filbert Street, in Archbald Borough. All in favor, motion carried.
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12. Motion by Gilgallon, second by Ossont to make a motion to change the hire date for Mark Striefsky as a full-time Police Office from October 1, 2022 to July 3, 2022. All in favor, motion carried.
13. Motion by Ossont, second by Gilgallon to change the hire date for Mark Striefsky as a full-time Police Office from October 1, 2022 to July 3, 2022. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

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

ATTEST:



ARCHBALD BOROUGH:


David Moran, President of Council