

ARCHBALD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday December 21, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President David Moran at 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence. Roll call: Mrs. Owen, Mr. Ossont, Mrs. Lewis, Mr. Mancuso, Mr. Burke, Mr. Moran, Mayor Barrett. Mr. Gilgallon was absent.

Council met in Executive Session on Real Estate and Personnel Matters.

Public Input:

Mr. Chris Carone, a resident of Archbald Borough who resides at 200 Kennedy Drive, Archbald, Pa 18403 addressed Council of his concerns of having problems with (2) 200 Kennedy Drive addresses. He was unaware of this before he purchased his home. Mr. Carone attended the April 20, 2022 Council meeting and presented to council his concerns. Since then, Mr. Carone has dealt with food deliveries, package deliveries, mail service, other residents walking on his property looking for their packages that have gotten delivered at his residence instead the other 200 Kennedy Drive, which were Mr. Carone's issues at the April 20, 2022 Council meeting. Mr. Carone addressed Council of an incident that happened to him. He was sitting with his fiancé on their porch and the Archbald Police came to his residence saying they was a domestic call. He did reassure the police the phone call did not come from him or his fiancé. Mr. Carone said his biggest concern is the EMS, Fire, or the Police not coming to his home if there is an actual emergency. Mr. Carone spoke and said if nothing is done on this matter, he has no choice but to act against the Archbald Borough. In order to fix the issue Mr. Turlip and Mr. Brown spoke with the 911 call center, they spoke with the Archbald Post Office, and there was an addressed letter sent to the (18) residents who would be affected. When Mr. Turlip and Mr. Brown presented this information at the September 21, 2022 Council meeting. Council voted against the address change. Mrs. Owen spoke and said no one else has come forward with an issue with mail, packages, EMS, Police, or Fire issues. At the April 20, 2022 Council meeting Mr. Joe Rudalavage who resides at 608 Main Street addressed Council. He is having the same issues with food deliveries, mail services, package deliveries. Mr. Rudalavage suggested that the Borough give Eynon back their zip code.

Unfinished Business

1. Senior Housing Committee-United Neighborhood Centers. This is for low to moderate Senior housing. Mr. Turlip is working on the Comprehensive Plan.
2. 2021-2022 Paving Project-2021-Daystrom Ave is the last road to be completed. 2022-Paving Project is complete. Mr. Turlip listed the streets for the 2023- Paving Project which include: Delaware, Laurel, Park, Cherry, Monroe, Pike, Church, Salem, (Borough only) Gilmartin, Ash, Wayne, Salem Road from Cemetery to Church/Laurel, Gilmartin across Main Street. The bids will be open at the January 18, 2023 Council meeting.

3. 4th Street Flood Mitigation (Stormwater Drainage Improvement) Project will continue into the spring.
4. Hill Street and Rock Street Projects. Hill Street project is in process. The curbing will be complete in the spring. Mr. Turlip did put in for another grant for \$1,276,779.00. For the Hill Street Project and upper Hill's in the Hills of Archbald.
5. 2023 Budget-The 2023 Budget is balanced.
6. Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan-Public Hearing is January 3, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. The ordinance will be on the agenda in January 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.
7. Zoning Hearing Fees. Archbald Borough's fee only covers the cost of the hearing fee. With inflation there needs to be an increase. This will be brought up at the January 18, 2023 Regular Council meeting.

New Business:

1. Mr. Narcoonis's request to vacate parcel next to 503Rear Lackawanna Street. Archbald Borough has no problem vacating the property.

Council Members Reports: Dr. Steven Krahl has nothing to report currently.

Mr. Ossont spoke out about the budget and would like to thank all those who worked on getting it out on time. There will be a 2 mill increase. Mr. Ossont wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Mrs. Lewis spoke out on the Santa Train and thanked everyone for all their hard work. Mrs. Lewis wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Mr. Mancuso spoke out on DPW and what a great job they did with snow removal with that big storm we had. Mr. Mancuso asked that the yellow bins not be utilized in the month of November. The DPW workers are busy hanging flags and decorations. Mr. Mancuso wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Mr. Burke spoke out about the Santa Train and what a great day it was. He thanked everyone for all their hard work also thanked Mayor Barrett, Erin Owen, Melissa Turlip, Sissy Marion, Karen Turlip Romanini, and Mary Loff for handing out the hot dogs, hot chocolate, and cookies. Thank you to Post # 328 American Legion members Rick Pezak, Chris Marion, Steve Hosie, Brian Gilgallon, and Jeff Munley for handing out coffee and donuts. Mr. Burke wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Mrs. Owen spoke on the Safety Report. Mrs. Owen also wanted to thank two of the outgoing members Dawn Rudalavage who was on the safety committee. Replacing Dawn will be Nancy Edmunds. Mrs. Owen also spoke and thanked April O' Connor as safety secretary. Replacing April will be Mary Loff. Mrs. Owen spoke on the Christmas lights that the non-profit organization had purchased. Mrs. Owen feels they should not have to pay taxes since they are for the Archbald Borough. Mr. Ossont spoke and said the Borough is taxed exempt but need to watch for legal issues what the Borough is allowed to pay. Mrs. Owen spoke on the clock in Eynon. Mr. Turlip spoke and said the clock (the inner clock) is the issue. Mr. Turlip reached out to where the clock was purchased and sent back the (inner part) of the clock. It has been gone 3-weeks Mr. Turlip said when its back it will be all digital. Mr. Turlip hopes it's back in time for Christmas. Mrs. Owen spoke and asked that new street signs be ordered. Mr. Turlip spoke and said with the Paving Project that is ongoing they are replacing the poles and street signs where they are needed. Mrs. Owen asked that a survey been taken for the issue that is ongoing on Kennedy Drive, with the address change. Mr. Turlip spoke and said there was a survey, 4 Archbald Borough Meeting Minutes, December 21, 2022

out of 18 came back. Mr. Turlip and Mr. Brown did all the necessary paperwork to get this resolved when it was presented to council, the motion did not carry. Mr. Turlip did not go beyond that point when it was voted down the first time. Mrs. Owen would like to thank all who helped with Santa Train Mr. Ossont who took pictures, Richard and Sandy Guman, Auxiliary Post #328, Sons of the Legion Post #328, Pat Munley and Mary Beth Cowley as Mr. & Mrs. Clause, and the Eynon Archbald Lion's Club. Mrs. Owen wished everyone a very Merry Christmas. Mayor Barrett spoke and said she had received a compliment on the DPW workers from Mr. Paone on a great job on snow removal. Mayor Barrett would like to thank all the DPW workers for all their time and effort on the snow removal. Mayor Barrett asked Mr. Turlip to take a sign down. Mayor Barrett asked that the sidewalks by Cousin's be cleared. Mayor Barrett wished everyone a Very Merry Christmas.

Controller Report: Dr. Steven Krahl spoke and said nothing to report at this time.

Motions:

1. Motion by Owen, second by Burke motion to approve the November 16, 2022 Regular Council meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.
2. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis motion of approval of the November 2022 HNB Fund bills totaling \$201,307.32 checks from the PA LEA Accreditation Grant totaling \$4,908.30, checks from the PIB Paving Project Loan totaling \$1,175.75, checks from the 902 Recycling Grant 2020 totaling \$227.88 for a total of \$207,619.25. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Owen, second by Burke motion to accept Reports- Treasurer, Building Inspector, Tax Collector's Report, Mayor Report, and Planning Commission Report. All in favor, motion carried.
4. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis motion to adopt the 2023 Budget-Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Ossont, second by Owen make a motion to table the adopt the 2023 Real Estate Tax Levy Ordinance fixing the rate at 26 mills for General Purposes. .5 mill for Pensions a Retirement, and .5 mill for Recreation for a total of 27 mills. Motion was tabled. All in favor, motion carried.
6. Motion by Ossont, second by Owen motion to reappoint Ed Levandowski and Tony Grizzanti to the UCC Board of Appeals for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2023. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
7. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis motion to reappoint Kevin O'Shea Jr. to the Archbald Vacancy Board for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2023. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
8. Motion by Ossont, second by Burke motion to reappoint Thomas Picchini to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2025. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
9. Motion by Owen, second by Burke motion to reappoint Cliff Capuano to the Archbald Community Development & Economic Committee for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2025. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

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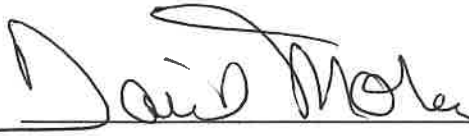
10. Motion by Ossont, second by Lewis motion to reappoint David Tomassoni to the Archbald Community Development & Economic Committee. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
11. Motion by Ossont, second by Owen motion to reappoint James McLaughlin to the Civil Service Commission Archbald for a five-year term expiring December 31, 2027. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Ossont, second by Burke motion to reappoint Walter Loff Jr. to the Planning Commission to a four-year term expiring December 31, 2026. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
13. Motion by Owen, second by Burke motion to reappoint Paul Memo to the Planning Commission to a four-year term expiring December 31, 2026. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by Ossont, second by Burke motion to appoint John Binner, Thomas Butler, Ryan Calciano, Kevin Chernesky, Gene Cholish, Dan Evans, Marlene Evans, Joseph Farrell, Peter Gutowsky Jr., Joseph Laboranti, Turique Patrick, Jacob Piazza, Aaron Tierney, and Alan Wright as Special Police Officers from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 only to be used to replace a full-time regular officer. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis Motion to approve the revised 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Archbald Police Department Employees; term of agreement January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Ossont, second by Burke motion to authorize Barry Isett and Associates to advertise the Archbald 2023 Paving Project to be opened at the Archbald Borough regularly scheduled January 18, 2023 Council meeting. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Owen, second by Burke motion adopting a Resolution pursuant to the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act (LERTA), to designate as deterioration the parcel of land east of the U.S. Route 6, known as The Governor Robert Casey Highway, more fully identified in the metes and bounds description attached to this Motion as Exhibit "A" for LERTA tax exemption to be determined by the Archbald Borough Council. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
18. Motion by Ossont, second by Owen motion adopting a Resolution authorizing of a Commonwealth Financing Authority H20 PA Grant application in the amount of \$1,276,779.00 for stormwater improvements within the Hills of Archbald. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
19. Motion by Ossont, second by Owen motion to make a motion to adopt a Resolution authorizing the 2023 Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$450,000.00 with HNB Bank at the interest rate of 3.15% per annum. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
20. Motion by Ossont, second by Burke motion to adopt a Resolution authorizing the 2023 Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$450,000.00 with HNB at the interest rate of 3.15% per annum. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Moran second by Burke to table motion #5 2023 Real Estate Tax Levy Ordinance fixing the rate at 26 mills for General Purposes, .5 mill for Pensions a Retirement, and .5 mill for Recreation for a total of 27 mills. Meeting will resume on Friday December 30, 2022 at 1:00 P.M.
22. Motion to continue the meeting to Friday December 30, 2022 at 1:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

ARCHBALD BOROUGH:



Mary Loff, Borough Secretary



David Moran, President of Council