

ARCHBALD BOROUGH MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

400 Church Street Archbald, Pa 18403

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Moran 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by Roll call: Guman, Burke, Lewis, Andreoli, Shnipes, Owen, Moran, Mayor Barrett.

President Dave Moran announced that Council met in Executive Session on personnel matters on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

Archbald Borough Hills of Archbald Stormwater Improvement Project KBA File NO. 6560

The Bid will be Awarded at the December 18th, 2024 Council Meeting.

Contractor:

Base Bid:

KOBALT CONST. INC.	\$994,187.50
PENNSY SUPPLY	\$675,006.50
LEEWARD CONST.INC/E.R. LINDE CONST.CORP	\$699,613.15
WAYCO, INC.	\$744,881.55
STAFURSKY PAVING	\$507,872.80
NEW ENTERPRISE STONE & LIME	\$679,207.45
LATONA	\$674,675.80
SIKORA BROTHERS PAVING, INC,	\$838,758.00
JAMES T. O'HARA, INC.	\$754,165.00
PIONEER CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.	\$595,041.50
LINDE CORP.	\$684,456.80
MULTISCAPE	\$696,874.15

Lackawanna County- Mark Cordelli-

Free Blood Lead Screening- Screening for 1-year olds. Appointments available 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. Pennsylvania Department of Health Lackawanna State Health Center- Lackawanna Ave Room 110-Scranton, Pa 18503. Please call 570-963-4567 to schedule an appointment.

November 23, 2024- Reindeer Pysanky- 12 :00 P.M.-2 P.M. \$25.00 A Person includes all materials learn how to create a Holiday Egg Ornament- Class is taught by Tammy Budnovitch.

Lackawanna County Commissioners- Pickleball Classic- Saturday, December 14, 2024 Birchwood Racquet Club. 105 Edella Road South Abington Twp. Registration starts at 12:30 P.M. play at 1:00 P.M. Men's and Women's Doubles/Mixed Doubles \$60.00. To Register call 570-586-4030.

Electric City Trolley Museum- December 6th, 2024 Celebrating the Holiday at the museum featuring entertainment plus voting for your favorite tree the Trim-A-Tree Challenge.

Save The Dates- Friday December 6th, 2024 5:00 P.M.- Tree Lighting. Saturday December 7th 11:00 A.M. - 9:00 P.M. Sunday 11:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M. -For the Lackawanna Winter Market 2024-Holiday shopping Vendor Village. Enjoy a weekend filled with Live Music, Food, Fun, and Creative Small Businesses of Local Shopping. This will take place at The Courthouse Square North Washington Ave, Scranton.

Santa Train- Saturday December 7th, 2024- Christmas in A Small Town. Meet Santa as he visits your town. Carbondale, Archbald, Jessup, Olyphant, Dickson City, and Scranton at the Steamtown.

All information can be found on the Archbald Borough website and our Bulletin Board.

Public Comment (Agenda Items Only)-

Joe Kugler- Post 624 Eynon American Legion- Joe spoke on the stopping pick up of recycling.

Sheri Knecht-858 Rock Street Archbald, addressed Council on a water problem by her home. The water is running off onto the street in front of her home making it icy in the winter months.

William Gilroy- Post 328 American Legion- William spoke on the stopping pick up of recycling.

Melissa Turlip- 218 Skyline Drive Archbald, Pa Post 328-American Legion-Melissa spoke on the borough stopping pick up of recycling.

Tim Trently- 1111 E. Filbert Street- Tim Trently spoke on behalf of the Archbald Ambulance, he spoke on the EMS Tax.

Donnie Cirba- Eynon Sturges Hose Co.- Donnie addressed council on the Fire Tax.

Larry West- 209 Laurel Street Archbald- Larry addressed council on the budget.

Correspondence- Borough Manager Dan Markey received a letter from Colwell-Naegele Associates, Inc, (CNA) recommending the borough acceptance of dedication of Forest Drive.

Archbald Borough has received two letters from PennDOT stating that our Multimodal transportation fund grants have be denied.

Motions:

1. Motion by Shnipes, second by Guman to Approve Council Meeting Minutes from October 16, 2024. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to approve October 2024 Bills Payable in the Amount of \$334,596.75. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Andreoli, second by Shnipes to Accept Treasurer's Report, Tax Collector Report, Police Report, Zoning Report, Work Session Notes. On the question, Erin Owen asked that the Zoning Report consists of more information she would like the person's name and address as well. Roll call vote, Guman, Burke, Lewis, Andreoli, Shnipes, Moran-yes. Owen-no. Motion Passes 6-1.

4. Motion by Guman, second by Shnipes to Purchase 2018 Ford F-350 Super Duty Pickup Truck from Taylor Borough at a cost of \$50,000.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Shnipes, second by Owen to Allow Borough Manager to Sign a Letter of Intent with the PA Department of Community and Economic Development to Request Peer to Peer Training for the Secretary and Zoning officer Positions. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to Allow Solicitor to Draft and Advertise a Deed of Dedication Ordinance to Accept Dedication of Forest Drive. On the Question, Marie Andreoli asked that the streets are ready. President Moran replied yes. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
7. Motion by Shnipes, second by Lewis to Award Winning Bid for 2009 Ram 5500 to Christopher Parent of Sturbridge, MA in the Amount of \$31,100.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
8. Motion by Owen, second by Andreoli to Ratify Decision of Borough Council to Halt Recycling Collection for Non-Residential Buildings. Owen made a motion to table Motion 8, To Ratify Decision of Borough Council to Halt Recycling Collection for Non-Residential Buildings. Roll call vote, Guman, Burke, Lewis, Andreoli, Shnipes, Owen - yes. Moran-no Motion passes 6-1.
9. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to Authorize Borough Manager to Enter into Contract with Waste Management for Recycling Materials Disposal Effective January 1, 2025. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Owen, second by Andreoli Allow Engineer to Advertise for Bid the Gravity Slope Oil House Renovation Project under the Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Grant. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
11. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to Pass Resolution #10-2024, Allowing MuniConsult to Apply for the Lackawanna County Reinvestment Grant for the Gravity Slope Oil House Deck in the Amount of \$5,000.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Owen, second by Andreoli to Pass Resolution #11-2024, Allowing MuniConsult to Apply for Main Street Matters Grant for \$923,947.00 for the North Main Street Sidewalk Project. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
13. Motion by Owen, second by Shnipes to Enter into Agreement with Brian Kelly, CPA & Associates to Perform the 2024 DCED Audit for a cost of \$11,000.00 Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to Allow Solicitor to Draft and Advertise an Ordinance to Remove the Office of the Controller from the Archbald Borough. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by Shnipes, second by Owen to Hire Paul Peters as a Department of Public Works Laborer at the rate of \$23.39/hour effective November 22, 2024. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried
16. Motion by Guman, second by Andreoli to Adopt Proposed 2025 Budget. Erin Owen asked Motion 16 be tabled until Monday November 25,2024 President Moran spoke if you vote No you are agreeing to not pass the budget. Roll call vote, Guman, Burke, Lewis, Andreoli, Shnipes, Owen, Moran-no. Motion failed 0-7.
17. Motion by Shnipes, second by Andreoli to Allow Solicitor to Draft and Advertise the 2025 Tax Millage Ordinance. Motion on the floor to table at the continuation

- meeting on Monday November 25, 2024. Roll call vote, Guman, Burke, Lewis, Andreoli, Shnipes, Owen, Moran- yes Motion passes 7-0. Motion to Allow Solicitor to Draft and Advertise the 2025 Tax Millage Ordinance was tabled.
18. Motion by Lewis, second by Shnipes to Enter into Agreement with PA DCED for Strategic Management Plan in 2025. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion caried.
 19. Motion by Owen, second by Guman to Add a Motion to Agenda to Continue Meeting to Monday November 25th, 2024. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
 20. Motion Shnipes, second by Lewis to continue council meeting on Monday 25th, 2024 at 1:30 P.M. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment- Larry West 209 Laurel Street Archbald, Larry addressed council. He is not happy with councils spending practices.

Council Comment- Marie Andreoli spoke to the Residents who were present at the meeting she asked that they come to the meetings every month to give their input especially on the budget. Marie spoke she was unaware of the spending that the Borough is in charge of like fire hydrants.

Erin Owen- Erin asked Borough Manager Dan Markey when is the Junior Council person deadline. Dan replied it was November 1st. Erin Owen and Laura Lewis will be doing the interviewing. Erin spoke if anyone is need of a Thanksgiving dinner reach out to the Lion’s Club.

Rich Guman- Rich spoke the DPW is ready for the snow and the DPW Trucks are serviced and ready to go.

Dave Moran- President of Council spoke on the Budget this is the worse one he has worked on and feels it was done unprofessionally, he is highly disappointed, but it will be corrected.

21. Motion by Guman, second by Shnipes to Adjourn meeting and continue to Monday November 25, 2024 at 1:30 P.M. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting end time: 8:23 P.M.

ATTEST:

ARCHBALD BOROUGH:

Mary Loff, Borough Secretary

Dave Moran, President of Council


