## **ARCHBALD BOROUGH Meeting Minutes**

## Wednesday, February 19, 2025

#### 400 Church Street Archbald, Pa 18403

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Moran 6:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by Roll Call: Owen, Andreoli, Shnipes, Lewis, Guman, Burke, Moran, Mayor Barrett.

President Moran made an announcement council met in executive session on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 5:45 P.M. on Personnel reasons.

<u>Lackawanna County</u>- Mark Cordelli- spoke on the Garden of Cedar Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2-4 pm 715 Cedar Ave, Scranton, Pa 18505 if you stop in, they will do a caricature (Care-icature) at the Garden of of Cedar.

<u>Free Blood Lead Screening</u> for 1- year -6-year-olds. Appointments are available at Pennsylvania Department of Health Lackawanna State Health Center 100 Lackawanna Ave Room 110 Scranton, Pa 18503. Please call to schedule an appointment 570-963-4567.

<u>Countywide Internship Program</u>- Apply today- <u>www.lackawannacounty.org</u>. Internship Skills, Opportunity, Goals, Mentor Experience, Training, Development Practice. Work in a department related to your field of study. Gain real-life work experience. Get an inside look at government in action. Explore range of careers within county government.

<u>Open Call for Artists</u>- Carbondale Heart & Soul with Carbondale Blueprint Communities are working together to install (six) 15 X 15 Ft murals in select locations in downtown Carbondale. Topic of highlights are such: People, History, Nature, Small -Town Feel, Family Friendly Environment, and Local Business & Community Events.

<u>Lackawanna County Conservation District-2025 Seedling Sale</u>: Submit Order & Payment by March 14, 2025 To: Lackawanna County Conservation District (LCCD) 1027 South Abington Road South Abington Twp, Pa 18411. Pick up dates Friday April 25<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. & Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. New Pick up (next to South Abington Elementary School; Pavilion new parking lot

# Public Comment (Agenda Items Only) -

<u>Correspondence</u> – Archbald Athletic Sportsman Club Inc. sent a Thank You to council for their \$5,000.00 donation that helps with maintenance for the facility.

Maple Hill Cemetery Associations- Applying for DEP Air Quality Renewal Permit.

### **Motions:**

- 1. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to Approve Council Meeting Minutes from January 15, 2025. All in favor, motion carried.
- 2. Motion by Owen, second by Guman to Approve January 20, 2025 Bills Payable in the Amount of \$397,513.80. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

- 3. Motion by Guman, second by Shnipes to Accept Treasurer's Report, Tax Collector Report, Work Session Notes, Planning Commission Notes. All in favor, motion carried.
- 4. Motion by Guman, second by Shnipes to table Award Gravity Slope Oil House Contract to Stafursky Paving co., Inc. at a cost of \$367,495.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 5. Motion Shnipes, second by Lewis to Pass Resolution #4-2025, Authorizing Application for a Broadband ready communications program grant application, naming the Borough Manager as the Municipal Broadband Champion. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 6. Motion by Owen, second by Andreoli to Pass Resolution #5-2025 Reducing the Archbald Police Pension Plan Employee contribution to 4% for 2025. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 7. Motion by Shnipes, second by Guman to Pass Resolution #6-2025, Applying for a Salt Shed in the Amount of \$367,209.00 Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 8. Motion by Andreoli, second by Lewis to Allow Borough Manager to hire Yeselavage Carpet to replace 1<sup>st</sup> floor carpeting as necessary. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 9. Motion by Owen, second by Andreoli to Hire Rock Hard Coatings to re-surface the 1<sup>st</sup> floor restrooms floors at a cost of \$2,480.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- Motion by Shnipes, second by Guman to Allow Grant writers to apply for grants to address stormwater issues on upper portions of Hill Street, and Rock Street. All in favor, motion carried.
- 11. Motion by Owen, second by Lewis to enter into contract with Responsible Recycling Solutions for Electronics recycling April 15, 2025. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 12. Motion by Owen, second by Guman to Hire Pennoni, Inc. to handle potential zoning changes pertaining to data centers at a cost of \$14,000.00 to be reimbursed by developers. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 13. Motion by Owen, second by Shnipes to Approve 2025 Part time Police Officer list (Attached A). Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Public Comment (General Items) – John Yacina</u> 34 Walnut Street Ringtown Pa, 17967 John addressed council and Borough Manager Dan Markey on AT&T FirstNet for First Responders.

#### Council Comments-

<u>Francis Burke</u>- Francis spoke the painting on the wall in chambers was painted by his brother Austin Burke.

<u>Rich Guman</u> -Rich gave an update on the DPW workers they are doing a great job at Painting the borough building offices, chambers, foyer and restrooms. Working in the garage rebuilding a plow, taking salt from the shifting shanty.

Laura Lewis - Laura spoke on the new business that opened on Main Street in Archbald Tag'd.

<u>Marie Andreoli</u>- Marie spoke on the Safety Committee meeting that was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, Marie had gone with Borough Manager Dan Markey to look at other municipalities and to see the different types of safety they have concerning having the borough door open, or keeping it closed to the

public. Marie gave her opinion on the safety of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the borough building, getting a key to the elevator and locking off the floors as a safety precaution.

<u>Mayor Barrett</u>- Mayor Barrett asked John Shnipes about the addresses on the houses. Mayor Barrett feels this is a safety issues and it's important to get the addresses on the homes, and businesses as well. There will be a meeting with Borough Manager Dan Markey and Zoning Officer Brian Dulay on this matter.

<u>President Dave Moran</u> – President Dave Moran suggested a letter; Dear Archbald Resident you are required to have an address on your house, as a friendly reminder. A suggestion was made that is go in with the tax bill.

Borough Manager Dan Markey- Dan was approached by Chris Paone he is Blakely Boroughs Manager they will be hosting a summer program and they asked if Archbald Borough would like to contribute to the program there will be children from Archbald Borough who will be attending the summer program. Blakely did ask for a monetary donation of \$9,000.00. The program will be at Mellow Park (Blakely Borough Recreation Complex).

14. Motion to Adjourn Guman, second by Owen. All in favor, motion carried.

ATTEST:

ARCHBALD BOROUGH:

Mary Loff, Borough Secretary

Dave Moran, President of Council

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