

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., Borough Office

114 W. Catawissa Street, Nesquehoning, PA 18240

The Borough's Regular Meeting for December 2020 was held on December 29, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. due to the weather on December 16th and COVID-19 Regulations.

ROLL CALL: COUNCILMEN JACOBS, PAUL, RADOCHA, SABOL III; COUNCILWOMEN FOX; PRESIDENT HAWK; & SOLICITOR YURCHAK

President Hawk called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Poremba and Mayor Kitchko were absent.

President Hawk stated that they will be holding an executive session at the end of the meeting, but they would not be taking any action afterwards.

MINUTES: Approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on November 18, 2020

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on November 18, 2020. All voted yes. Motion passed.

HEARING OF VISITORS

No hearing of visitors.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- **Carbon Engineering – Re-appointed Nesquehoning Borough Engineer**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to reappoint Carbon Engineering as the Borough Engineer.

Councilman Paul asked if they were going to look at other engineering firms. Councilman Jacobs stated how their prices were equal to other engineering firms.

All voted yes except Councilman Sabol, who voted no. Motion passed.

- ACELA – Architects & Engineers

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Yurchak stated how there was a question at the last meeting about containment areas for garbage for rental or commercial properties. He stated how they did not have anything in their current ordinance, so they would have to adopt an amendment to the ordinance. Councilman Radocha stated about the property at 1 W. Garibaldi Avenue. Councilman Paul stated about the property at 127 W. Catawissa Street.

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Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to authorize Solicitor Yurchak to draft an amendment for a containment area for multi-unit rental properties and commercial properties to the current Sanitation (garbage) Ordinance. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Solicitor Yurchak stated how they had received the checks from Attorney Walbert in regards to 90 E. Catawissa Street.

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Radocha seconded to accept Planning Commission Report, Engineer's Report and Solicitor's Report. All voted yes. Motion passed.

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JIM THORPE NEIGHBORHOOD BANK TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Balance 10.31.20	343,930.92
Receipts	133,028.86
Expenditures	120,797.95
Balance 11.30.20	356,161.83

SANITATION FUND

Balance 10.31.20	278,872.69
Receipts	73,756.69
Sewer	0.00
Expenditures	81,692.26
Balance 11.30.20	270,937.12

SPORTS COMPLEX FUND

Balance 10.31.20	64,899.92
Receipts	1546.99
Expenditures	7,375.83
Balance 11.30.20	59,071.08

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Balance 10.31.20	6,378.05
Receipts	0.54
Expenditure	0.00
Balance 11.30.20	6,378.59

***ROAD CONSTRUCTION**

Balance 10.31.20	75,272.07
Receipts	22.83
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 11.30.20	75,294.90

FIRE TRUCK FUND

Balance 10.31.20	173,068.64
Receipts	6,598.13
Expenditures	8,955.57
Balance 11.30.20	170,711.20

SEWER OPERATING & MAINTENANCE

Balance 10.31.20	294,041.74
Receipts	56,659.38
Expenditures	17,370.63
Balance 11.30.20	246,074.74

HIGHWAY FUND

Balance 10.31.20	152,854.21
Receipt	12.53
Expenditures	8,891.39
Balance 11.30.20	152,854.21

POLICE PENSION FUND

Balance 09.30.20	2,196,014.30
Receipt	2,450.29
Expenditures	-11,031.54
Appreciation/Depreciation	-31,713.42
Balance 10.31.20	2,155,719.63

***NESQUEHONING LION CLUB**

Balance 10.31.20	11,143.05
Receipts	0.94
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 11.30.20	11,143.99

HOME FUND

Balance 10.31.20	23,558.78
Receipts	2.00
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 11.30.20	23,560.78

GENERAL SEWER CONT FUND

Balance 10.31.20	13,272.35
Receipts	1.08
Expenditures	2,245.00
Balance 11.30.20	13,272.35

***SOLAR PARK ESCROW ACCOUNT**

Balance 08.31.20	10,042.69
Receipts	2.50
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 11.30.20	10,047.77

***Savings Accounts Statements are on a Quarterly basis**

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CD REPORT

FUND	CURRENT VALUE 11.30.20	INTEREST 11.30.20	OPENING DATE	CURRENT RATE	RENEWAL DATE	BANK
GEN. SEWER	\$415,516.92	\$ 211.06	08-28-17	0.60%	08-26-23	JTNB
SANITATION	\$ 22,691.27	\$ 10.57	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
CAPITAL PROJ	\$ 11,122.01	\$ 5.18	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 10,866.33	\$ 5.06	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
SEWER	\$353,845.71	\$ 420.06	02-14-20	1.45%	02-14-22	JTNB
SEWER	\$504,493.86	\$ 600.08	02-14-20	1.45%	02-14-22	JTNB

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report and the CD Report. All voted yes. Motion passed.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

November 2020

Real Estate	\$ 12,331.79
Occupational	\$ 132.00
Per Capita	\$ 77.00
TOTAL:	\$ 12,540.79

<u>EXEMPTIONS:</u>	Maybelline Gonzalez	SSI	\$66.00
	Kimberly Sinnott	Deceased	\$22.00

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. 11.19.20 Pottsville Environmental Testing Laboratory, Inc.
2. 11.30.20 The Portnoff Reporter – Fall 2020
3. 11.30.20 Letter of Concern from Fran Arieta – Tamaqua Transfer
4. 12.02.20 DEP – Reference Application/NOI – PPL Electric Utilities
5. 12.10.20 NBA - Increase of Base Water rate, Effective January 1, 2021
6. 12.10.20 PA Rural Water – Mechanical Maintenance

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to accept the Tax Collector's Report along with exemptions and to approve all communications and place them on file. All voted yes. Motion passed.

BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to deposit all receipts, approve all bills to be ratified and pay all other bills. All voted yes. Motion passed.

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BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund

Bills to be Ratified

As of December 15, 2020

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	13946	Carbon Engineering, Inc.	Diaz Ave. CBDG Grant Rev	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (75.00)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	13947	Kattner's	Oil For Borough Office	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (360.59)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	13948	PPL		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (398.61)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	13949	Snyder Tire Inc	Tar buggy tires	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (190.00)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	13950	Verizon Wireless	Acct. # 842021582-00001 -	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (375.36)
Check	11/20/2020	EFT	Payroll Fund	11.20.20 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (29,322.75)
Bill Pmt -	12/04/2020	13951	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - November	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (109.14)
Check	12/04/2020	EFT	Payroll Fund	12.04.20 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (28,399.16)
Bill Pmt -	12/04/2020	13952	Jim Thorpe Neighborhood Bank		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (37,677.50)
Bill Pmt -	12/04/2020	13953	Police Pension Fund	2020 Pension Payment	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (50,000.00)
Bill Pmt -	12/08/2020	EFT	Fleet Services	Acct. 0496-00-343234-1 - N	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (578.47)
Bill Pmt -	12/08/2020	EFT	Sunoco Wex Bank	Acct. # 0496-00-653100-8 -	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (101.93)
Check	12/09/2020	EFT	Intuit	QuickBooks - Annual Subsc	400.210 · Admin Expenses	\$ (650.00)
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						\$ (148,238.51)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund

Bills to be Ratified

As of December 15, 2020

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						
Check	11/20/2020	EFT	Payroll Fund	11.20.20 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (1,321.08)
Bill Pmt -	12/01/2020	6066	United States Post Office	Stamps - Certified	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (123.90)
Bill Pmt -	12/04/2020	6067	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - Internet Se	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (36.38)
Bill Pmt -	12/04/2020	6068	SOM	11-1 / 130-2020 Sewer payr	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (44,262.27)
Check	12/04/2020	EFT	Payroll Fund	12.04.20 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (1,321.08)
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						\$ (47,064.71)

Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund

Bills to be Ratified

As of December 15, 2020

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	11578	Carbon Engineering Inc	2021 Budget Preparation, R	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (383.00)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	11579	PPL	Locust St. Pump Station - N	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (42.02)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	11580	Water-Mechanics	Contract consultation Nover	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (850.00)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	11581	Verizon Wireless	Acct # 842021582 - Noveml	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (59.08)
Check	11/20/2020	EFT	Payroll Fund	11.20.20 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,020.14)
Bill Pmt -	12/01/2020	11582	United States Postal Serv	Stamps - Certified	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (255.95)
Bill Pmt -	12/04/2020	11583	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - November	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (36.38)
Check	12/04/2020	EFT	Payroll Fund	12.04.20 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,311.24)
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						\$ (9,957.81)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund

Bills to be Ratified

As of December 15, 2020

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	1549	Kattners Coal & Oil, Inc.	Rec Center Oil	20000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (383.54)
Bill Pmt -	11/20/2020	1550	PPL		20000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (134.84)
Nov 19 - Dec 15 '20						\$ (518.38)

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BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund

Monthly Expenditures

December 16, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16, 2020					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13954	Amazon	Flags	\$ (79.92)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13955	Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.	Professional Services - October	\$ (165.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13956	Blue Ridge Communications	Acct # 0272893-02 - December	\$ (70.08)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13957	Companion Life	Insurance	\$ (504.05)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13958	County of Carbon	Telecommunications	\$ (627.94)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13959	Creitz Auto Sales	4 Tires Changed ,Mounted,Whc	\$ (69.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13960	Davidheiser's Inc.	Stop Watches tested, Tracker -	\$ (54.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13961	Encova Insurance	Policy Number WCA4020067 -	\$ (2,235.69)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13962	H. A. Berkheimer, Inc.	EIT - LST	\$ (1,068.66)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13963	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (96.80)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13964	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (20,370.32)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13965	John M Turcmanovich	Background check	\$ (425.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13966	Kirk, Summa, & Company	2019 Audit	\$ (6,000.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13967	Kovatch Ford	2000 International	\$ (1,011.59)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13968	L-Tron Corporation	Cords and Paper for LPR	\$ (753.75)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13969	Marouchoc's Auto Repair	Police Vehicles	\$ (385.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13970	MP Outfitters	Police Uniforms	\$ (74.99)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13971	Nesquehoning True Value	Supplies	\$ (216.46)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13972	Office Depot	Parker Pen Refills	\$ (97.46)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13973	Palmerton Garage Doors, Inc.	Garage Door repairs	\$ (570.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13974	Patriot Workwear	Uniforms(Frank Buonaiuto)	\$ (95.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13975	Police Pension Fund	2020 Pension Payment	\$ (26,509.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13976	PPL	Garage Dec 2020	\$ (141.15)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13977	Priya Foods, 121	Diesel/Gas Borough	\$ (81.92)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13978	Quality Parts Co., Inc.	Highway Vehicles	\$ (35.08)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13979	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal	\$ (785.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13980	S & O Computers, LLC	Computer	\$ (2,978.25)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13981	Secure Watch 24, LLC	Nesquehoning Police Dept - 3 c	\$ (20,571.84)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13982	Seitz Bros. Exterminating Inc	Pest Control	\$ (567.49)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13983	Steel & Metal Service Center	Steel for tar buggy	\$ (305.12)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13984	Suburban Propane	Propane - Garage	\$ (587.89)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13985	The Times News	Did's for Road Construction Mat	\$ (216.10)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	13986	Tire Hub	GY 732002500 - 2355517 GY E	\$ (396.00)
December 16, 2020					\$ (88,145.55)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund

Monthly Expenditures

December 16, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16, 2020					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6069	Blue Ridge Communications	Acct. # 0272893-02 - Dec 2020	\$ (20.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6070	Companion Llife		\$ (21.81)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6071	Diversified Technology Corp.	Laser Bills Custom Order 24lb r	\$ (289.84)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6072	Highmark Blue Shield		\$ (23.20)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6073	Kirk, Summa & Co.	2019 Audit	\$ (2,000.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6074	Nesquehoning Borough	Rent - December, 2020	\$ (250.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6075	Office Depot	Laser Cartridge	\$ (160.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6076	Responsible Recycling Services,LLC	Recycling Services Nov 2020	\$ (715.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6077	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 11.12.20 - 12.C	\$ (60.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	6078	Tamaqua Transfer & Recycling, Inc.	December 2020 - Acct# 531 In	\$ (38,098.79)
December 16, 2020					\$ (41,638.64)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Highway Fund

Monthly Expenditures

December 16, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16, 2020					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	1509	PPL	E Locust St - LED ST. Lights	\$ (4,513.95)
December 16, 2020					\$ (4,513.95)

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Monthly Expenditures

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<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16, 2020					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11584	Blue Ridge Communications	Account # 0272893-02	\$ (30.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11585	Borough of Nesquehoning	Rent December 2020	\$ (250.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11586	Companion Life	Insurance	\$ (75.86)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11587	Diversified Technology Corp.	Laser Bill Custom Order 24lb P	\$ (289.84)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11588	Encova	WC Insurance	\$ (2,478.31)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11589	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (23.20)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11590	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (6,986.76)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11591	Kirk, Summa & Co.	2019 Audit	\$ (2,600.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11592	Kovatch Mobile Equipment	Hydraulic Hoses	\$ (65.53)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11593	Martins Electrical Service	Monthly Service Charge for Bee	\$ (90.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11594	Office Depot	Laser Jet Cartridge	\$ (160.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11595	PA One Call	Monthly Activity Fee	\$ (7.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11596	Pottsville Environmental Testing Lab, Inc	BOD,CBOD,Fecal Coliform,TS&	\$ (825.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11597	PPL	Electric	\$ (302.43)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11598	Priya Foods 121 Friendly Mart II	Fuel for Sewer Department	\$ (201.43)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	11599	Quality Parts Co., Inc.	Hydraulic Fluid	\$ (172.88)
December 16, 2020					\$ (14,558.24)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund

Monthly Expenditures

December 16, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16, 2020					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	1551	Amazon		\$ (181.44)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	1552	Seitz Brothers, Inc.	Pest Control Service	\$ (546.49)
December 16, 2020					\$ (727.93)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund

Monthly Expenditures

December 16, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16, 2020					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	1653	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 11.12.20 thru 12	\$ (140.00)
December 16, 2020					\$ (140.00)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sewer Construction Fund

Monthly Expenditures

December 16, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16, 2020					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/20/2020	1267	Carbon Engineering, Inc.	Treatment Unit 2 Rehabilitaton	\$ (1,488.25)
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2020	1268	Carbon Engineering, Inc.	Treatment Unit 2 Rehabilitaton	\$ (2,275.00)
December 16, 2020					\$ (3,763.25)

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Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund

Deposit Detail

As of December 12, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				
General Journal	11/15/2020	14945	-SPLIT-	\$ 55.00
General Journal	11/16/2020	14948	-SPLIT-	\$ 115.50
General Journal	11/16/2020	14949	-SPLIT-	\$ 4,554.50
General Journal	11/17/2020	14951	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,600.50
General Journal	11/18/2020	14950	-SPLIT-	\$ 121.00
General Journal	11/18/2020	14952	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,039.10
General Journal	11/19/2020	14953	-SPLIT-	\$ 851.92
General Journal	11/19/2020	14955	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,050.60
General Journal	11/20/2020	14954	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,115.00
General Journal	11/20/2020	14957	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,503.75
General Journal	11/20/2020	14960	-SPLIT-	\$ 374.00
General Journal	11/21/2020	14961	-SPLIT-	\$ 110.00
General Journal	11/23/2020	14958	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,311.00
General Journal	11/23/2020	14962	-SPLIT-	\$ 55.00
General Journal	11/24/2020	14959	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,238.00
General Journal	11/24/2020	14963	-SPLIT-	\$ 55.00
General Journal	11/25/2020	14964	-SPLIT-	\$ 165.00
General Journal	11/25/2020	14965	-SPLIT-	\$ 55.00
General Journal	11/25/2020	14971	-SPLIT-	\$ 4,118.00
General Journal	11/26/2020	14966	-SPLIT-	\$ 165.00
General Journal	11/27/2020	14967	-SPLIT-	\$ 792.00
General Journal	11/28/2020	14968	-SPLIT-	\$ 170.50
General Journal	11/29/2020	14969	-SPLIT-	\$ 275.00
General Journal	11/30/2020	14970	-SPLIT-	\$ 165.00
General Journal	11/30/2020	14974	-SPLIT-	\$ (55.00)
General Journal	11/30/2020	14976	-SPLIT-	\$ 896.50
General Journal	11/30/2020	14977	-SPLIT-	\$ 14,883.50
Deposit	11/30/2020	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 23.37
General Journal	12/01/2020	14983	-SPLIT-	\$ 55.00
General Journal	12/01/2020	14985	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,243.75
General Journal	12/02/2020	14984	-SPLIT-	\$ 176.00
Deposit	12/04/2020	Deposit	487.156 · Health Insurance	\$ 42.00
Deposit	12/04/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 82.00
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				\$ 52,402.49

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund

Deposit Detail

As of December 12, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				
Deposit	11/19/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,096.66
Deposit	11/30/2020	Interest	340.100 · Interest Income	\$ 5.10
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				\$ 1,101.76

Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund

Deposit Detail

As of December 12, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				
Deposit	11/19/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,583.70
Deposit	11/30/2020	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 14.43
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				\$ 6,598.13

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., Borough Office

BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund

Deposit Detail

As of December 12, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				
Deposit	11/16/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,915.25
Deposit	11/16/2020	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 828.77
Deposit	11/18/2020	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 7,473.70
Deposit	11/19/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 66,076.26
Deposit	11/23/2020	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 5,698.71
Deposit	11/25/2020	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 8,416.92
Deposit	11/25/2020	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 3,760.95
Deposit	11/30/2020	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 132.38
Deposit	11/30/2020	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 37.96
Deposit	11/30/2020	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 27.07
Deposit	12/04/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 50.00
Deposit	12/04/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,519.86
Deposit	12/07/2020	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 597.88
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				\$ 102,535.71

Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund

Deposit Detail

As of December 12, 2020

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				
Deposit	11/19/2020	Deposit	12000 · Undeposited Funds	\$ 100.00
Deposit	11/19/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 168.38
Deposit	11/30/2020	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 22.34
Deposit	12/04/2020	Deposit	401.156 · Health Insurance	\$ 68.38
Deposit	12/04/2020	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 158,249.71
Nov 15 - Dec 12 '20				\$ 158,608.81

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. PUBLIC SAFETY:

**ROSEMARY POREMBO, CHAIRWOMAN; LOUIS PAUL, CO-CHAIRMAN;
DAVID HAWK**

- Fire Department Summary Report – November 2020

President Hawk stated that there were 14 calls for the month of November 2020, which included 2 Fire Police, 3 Mutual Aid (Hometown 2 – Coaldale 1), 5 AFA, 1 EMS Assist, 1 CO and 1 Vehicle Fire. He stated that there were a total of 132 calls for 2020.

- **Detective Position**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to extend the original memorandum of understanding for the detective position between the Borough and the Police Department until June 1, 2021. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- Request for modems

President Hawk stated how the Chief was requesting that the Borough get 5 modems for 5 of the pole cameras at a cost of \$70.00 each/monthly (\$350.00 a month). He stated that the Budget Committee had denied the request because of the tight budget for 2021. President Hawk stated that since the request was denied, the Chief was asking if he could solicit funding from local business for the modems, in order to get the cameras up and running (operational). Councilman Jacobs stated how they had discussed that at the Budget Committee Meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how the Borough had not received permission to even place the cameras on the poles. She stated how they still did not even know if they were going to be able to get power to the cameras/modems. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how the modems should be put on hold until they have everything else in place with PPL, which would include the cost for the power. President Hawk stated how he agreed. He stated how they had cameras that they were not able to use; they did not need modems that they could not use. President Hawk stated how they needed to go back to square one with the cameras to get a plan of action and then proceed with the proper steps to get it completed.

President Hawk stated how there was a complaint from the police officers about the plowing/shoveling at the police station the day after the snow storm.

**❖ MAYOR'S REPORT/
COG REPORT**

- **Hire Part-time Police Officer – Nicholas Melick**

Kundan Dave & Martin Ksepka were the two individuals who were selected/hired as part-time police officers after the last meeting.

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Sabol seconded to hire Nicholas Melick as a part-time police officer. All voted yes. Motion passed.

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- **Un-used time off – Full-time police officers**

President Hawk stated that at the Public Safety Meeting held on December 18th, the Committee and the Police agreed with allowing the un-used personal and vacation time to be carried over into 2021 and all time that was carried, had to be used by August 31, 2021 at the 2020 pay rate; OR the officers have the option of carrying & buy back some of their time. Councilman Jacobs asked for a monthly report as to what time was being used. President Hawk stated how they have no intentions of allowing it again next year. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner gave a breakdown of the officers' time and what was going to be bought back and what was going to be carried over to 2021. She stated how the buyback was going to be done in 2020. Councilman Jacobs asked what the cost was of the buyback. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how it was over \$10,000.00.

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to allow the full-time officers to buy back or carry over their un-used time at the 2020 rate; all time carried over need to be used by August 31, 2021 (use or lose) and the action was not setting a precedent. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilman Sabol asked about the police contract. Councilman Jacobs stated how their contract was up at the end of 2021. He stated that he felt how they should negotiate the police contract as a group and not just as a committee, so everyone knew what was going on.

❖ POLICE REPORT

- November 2020 Police Report

(A copy was placed in the communications folder)

President Hawk stated that there was a total of \$5,455.11 fine money received for November 2020, which included a \$2,500.00 donation from the VFW, 54 citations issued (52 traffic and 2 non-traffic), 395 total incidents reported and 2,875 miles driven or on patrol.

❖ CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

No report.

❖ HOUSING & CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

- Gene Kennedy - Zoning Report November 2020

❖ EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

- Packer Township Request for Fire Protection From Nesquehoning Hose Co.#1
- Avoidable Alarm Ordinance Violation 90 East Catawissa Street
- **Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of the State Fire Commissioner**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to approve the Nesquehoning Hose Company's PA State Fire Academy's Participating Department Recognition Application. All voted yes. Motion passed.

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Councilman Paul moved and Councilman Radocha seconded to accept the Public Safety Committee Report, which includes the Mayor/COG Report, Police Report, Civil Service Report, Housing & Code Report and Emergency Management Report. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**2. STREETS MICHAEL RADOCHA, CHAIRMAN; LOUIS PAUL, CO-CHAIRMAN;
FRANK JACOBS**

Councilman Radocha stated how he had to address a few calls in regards to the snow storm. He stated how he thought that they did not do too badly of a job with what they received. Councilman Radocha stated how they had a part-timer working, which worked out pretty well. He stated how they had to do some repairs on the trucks prior to getting out plowing and that they were not very well prepared.

Councilman Radocha stated about sending letters to businesses regarding the snow removal/plowing; Post Office, Turkey Hill and 90 E Catawissa Street. He stated how they could not be plowing the snow onto piles in the Borough streets. Solicitor Yurchak stated how the Borough did pass an ordinance about piling/plowing snow onto Borough Street.

Councilman Jacobs stated how the County was looking to bid the paving for E. Diaz Avenue in February/March 2021. He stated how they need the elevations shot by the engineer before they can bid out the project. Councilman Radocha stated how he thought that it was just an overlay. Councilman Paul asked why they needed elevations shots for an overlay. Councilman Jacobs stated how he was just letting them know what they needed at the County Planning in order to bid the project. He stated how they should call Mike Tirpak and ask him. Councilman Jacobs stated how he thought that the Borough was receiving \$68,000 from the CDBG for E. Diaz Avenue. Councilman Radocha stated that he did not think that they would need any engineering for E. Diaz Avenue. He stated about a drainage issue and how a pipe might need to be hooked up. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that they should request a proposal for engineering design/construction services from Carbon Engineering. She stated how they did it with Barry Isett for Johnson Park. She stated how they would then know what their engineering cost was going to be. Councilman Sabol stated about the contractor shooting lines, because it was just an overlay. Councilman Paul stated about the crown on E. Diaz Avenue. Councilman Jacobs stated how there was no crown on that street. Council-woman Fox stated how there were specific items required for grants. Councilman Jacobs stated how there were certain things that they had to do with the CDBG funding, which prints had to be certified by an engineer.

Councilman Paul stated that for an overly, they would mill out an inch and a half and then lay an inch and a half back down. Councilman Sabol asked when it was going to be done. Councilman Radocha stated how it would probably be around June. Councilman Sabol asked about notifying the residents of that block about curbing. Councilman Radocha stated how they could notify them, but they could not make them do anything.

**3. SEWER MARY FOX, CHAIRWOMAN; FRANK JACOBS, CO- CHAIRMAN;
MICHAEL RADOCHA**

- **November 2020 Sewer/Sanitation Adjustment Report**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to approve the November 2020 Sewer/Sanitation adjustment report. All voted yes. Motion passed.

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- Eastern/Carbon Engineering Emails

Councilwoman Fox stated how they had started on the outer ring on the tank, but every time they came back, they found more spots. She stated that they were supposed to sandblast the outer bank in the spring and then lay a coal-tar coating on the tank. Councilwoman Fox stated about the emails from Mike Tirpak. She stated how they had to meet with Andrew Carl (Eastern), because of the warranty, which was going to expire on August 1, 2021.

4. BUILDINGS **GEORGE SABOL III, CHAIRMAN; MICHAEL RADOCHA; CO-CHAIRMAN; FRANK JACOBS**

Councilman Sabol stated about the police station and how he had received a quote of \$1,850.00 for the vertical siding from SQ Construction.

Councilman Radocha moved and Councilman Sabol seconded to accept the quote from SQ Construction for the installation of the vertical siding on the police station in the amount of \$1,850.00. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilman Sabol asked about holding a committee meeting. Councilman Jacobs stated about the reviewing the heat in the buildings. He stated how someone has been turning the heat up at the Recreation Center, but they were not renting it at that time. Councilman Radocha stated about the heat at the Borough garage. Councilman Jacobs stated how they need to build a wall to keep the heat in the one bay. Councilman Paul stated about installing lock boxes on the thermostats.

5. SANITATION **LOUIS PAUL, CHAIRMAN; ROSEMARY POREMBO, CO-CHAIRWOMAN; MARY FOX**

No report.

6. RECREATION **GEORGE SABOL III, CHAIRMAN; MARY FOX, CO-CHAIRWOMAN; DAVID HAWK**

Councilman Sabol asked Councilwoman Fox about contacting Pam Zlock. Councilwoman Fox stated to Councilman Sabol that she had asked her to contact him. She stated how they did not have their meeting in December. Councilwoman Fox stated how she would message her again. President Hawk stated how their next meeting was scheduled for February.

Councilman Sabol asked if they wanted to set up a committee meeting the second week in January to discuss Johnson Park. He stated how they could meet around 1:00 p.m. at the park, depending on the weather.

7. BUDGET/ FINANCE **ROSEMARY POREMBO, CHAIRWOMAN; FRANK JACOBS CO-CHAIRMAN; DAVID HAWK**

- **Adoption 2021 General Fund, Fire Truck Fund, & Sports Complex Fund Budgets**

Councilman Jacobs stated that they would be raising the millage .75 of a mill. He stated how they would be increasing the Recreation .05 mills, the Fire .1 mills and the General Fund .6 mills.

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Councilman Jacobs stated that they had a balanced General Fund budget at \$1,887,801.19. He stated that the millage was 17.1 mills for General Fund, 1.85 for Fire and .35 for Recreation. He stated that a mill was worth \$64,680.81.

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to adopt the 2021 General Fund, Fire Truck Fund, and Sports Complex Fund Budgets with the .75 mills increase and to advertise the Tax Levy Ordinance. All voted yes except Councilman Radocha who voted no. Motion passed.

Councilman Sabol asked Councilman Radocha why he voted no. Councilman Radocha stated that he felt how they needed to start cutting back on things and started watching what was being spent. He stated how all of the grants have unforeseen costs that come from the General Fund.

President Hawk stated how the Borough also wants to look into refinancing their loans.

8. PERSONNEL/ SAFETY MARY FOX, CHAIRWOMAN; ROSEMARY POREMBO; CO-CHAIRWOMAN; FRANK JACOBS

Councilwoman Fox stated how the new insurance was effective December 1, 2020. She stated that they will be starting the police contract negotiations as soon as they receive notification from the police officers/FOP.

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to accept all the Committee Reports. All voted yes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Advertise 2021 Meeting dates**

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Sabol seconded to advertise the meeting dates and times for 2021. All voted yes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Jacobs stated about the grant the Borough received for the sewer line on Willow Lane. He stated how the Borough had yet to receive the grant proceeds because of the COVID. Councilman Jacobs stated how they were having the same issue with the reimbursement for the Historical Society. He stated how they should send letters to Representative Heffley and Senator Yudichak in regards to that matter.

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Sabol seconded to authorize Solicitor Yurchak to send letters to Representative Heffley and Senator Yudichak in regards to the grant reimbursements.

Councilman Jacobs stated how it was discussed at the Budget Committee Meeting about the fee for the Tractor Trailer parking on Locust Street. He stated how they were looking increase the parking from \$5.00 to \$10.00 instead of the \$25.00. Councilman Radocha, Councilman Paul, Councilwoman Fox stated how they felt that the \$25.00 was too low and they were not going to change it.

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Councilman Jacobs stated about having the new Zoning Solicitor attend their Workshop Meeting in January so the Council members would be able to meet him.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Borough Council Members entered into an Executive Session at 3:30 p.m. for personnel reasons. The Council Members exited their Executive Session at 4:04 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Sabol moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.