

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., Borough Office  
114 W. Catawissa Street, Nesquehoning, PA 18240

**ROLL CALL:** COUNCILMEN NALESNIK, PAUL, COUNCILWOMEN FOX, POREMBO;  
PRESIDENT HAWK; MAYOR KATTNER & SOLICITOR YURCHAK

President Hawk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.  
Councilman Jacobs was absent.

President Hawk stated how they would be holding an Executive Session at the end of the meeting for personnel matters.

**MINUTES:** Approve the minutes from the Workshop/Committee meeting held on March 9, 2022 and the minutes from the Regular Meetings held on March 23, 2022

**Councilwoman Poremba moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to approve the minutes from the Workshop/Committee meeting held on March 9, 2022 and the minutes from the Regular meeting held on March 23, 2022. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- Rose Chapello – Letter of Interest in vacated council seat
- Lois A Corby Kuba – Letter of Interest in vacated council seat
- Suzanne Smith – Letter of Interest for vacated council seat.

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to appoint Lois Corby Kuba to fill the vacant Council seat for the remainder of the term. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Solicitor Yurchak stated how she could be sworn in and take a seat at the Council's table.

**HEARING OF VISITORS**

Abby Guardiani – 35 E. Center Street – stated how she wanted to thank them for the follow through with the process with the burned out structure on E. High Street. She stated that she knew how it was both time consuming and a financial burden for the Borough, but she did not have to tell them how necessary it was. Ms. Guardiani stated that unfortunately they still had the other structure to deal with. She stated about the tragic fire on Catawissa Street and how there would be more, but they had talked in the past about picking them off one at a time. Ms. Guardiani stated that she wanted to thank Secretary/Treasurer Ahner for the follow through, taking them to court and doing what they needed to do to get the unsafe structure down. Ms. Guardiani stated how she would like to urge Council to complete the Blight Remediation Plan, so if the opportunity would present itself for grant money, the Borough would be prepared to qualify for the grant.

Ms. Guardiani stated how she had read an article in the paper concerning the Lansford Borough, which in taking down a property; found out that they had a self limiting ordinance concerning fire insurance. Solicitor Yurchak stated how they were limited by the state law as to a fire escrow, which goes on file in Harrisburg for every municipality that had adopted the ordinance, but they were limited by the percentage. He stated how they were going to place a lien on the property. Solicitor Yurchak stated how it was a rental property and once they place the lien on the property, they were going to do something with the rental license, which was a different ordinance. Ms. Guardiani stated about making sure that the Borough was at the maximum amount allowed by the state for the Fire Escrow Ordinance.

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Councilwoman Fox stated to Ms. Guardiani that they were going to vote that night to create a Blight Committee and asked if she would be interested in serving on that committee. Ms. Guardiani stated how both her and her husband (Joe) would be happy to help and serve on the committee.

Councilwoman Fox stated that she wanted to commend Mayor Kattner for being one of the first on the scene of the fire last week and for running into the smoke filled apartment to carry out a 3 year old little girl. She stated how she would like to thank the firemen for saving the other building with all of the apartments. Mayor Kattner stated how the firemen did a great job and he was happy to see the town come together.

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they did have a court hearing with the owner of the demolished property (7 & 11 E. High Street) because of a citation that was filed against him. She stated how the Borough was out of legal fees and time involved with the property; however, the gentleman who owns the property was the one who was taking it down. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how the Borough was not paying for the demolition of that property. She stated that the Borough had some legal fees, courts cost and time/effort into the citation process, but the sole cost of the demolition was falling onto the property owner and not the tax payers of the Borough. Ms. Guardiani asked if they were responsible for the clean up as well. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they were working on the clean up, but from her understanding, it was taking time to get the roll off dumpsters. President Hawk asked where they were at with the other building. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they have a court hearing at the County next month with the one property owner and she had a hearing at the Magistrate's office yesterday with the other property owner, who did not show up. She stated how he had 30 days to appeal the ruling. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they did have someone interested in purchasing the entire building, but they were not able to get them all on the same page.

**Mayor Kattner swore in the newly appointed Councilwoman Lois Corby Kuba.**

### **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

- Coolbaugh Township, Monroe County – Ordinance NO. 141-2020 Short Term Rentals

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

- Bill McMullen, Arro – Draft Documents Prepared for 2022 Road Improvement
- Carbon Engineering Inc. – Bid Sheets – Diaz Avenue Paving Project
- Carbon Engineering – Wastewater Treatment plant unit 2 – Inspection

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

- Letters – Return Police Equipment

Solicitor Yurchak stated how he had sent letters out to individuals about returning the police uniforms, keys and equipment. He stated how he would like to discuss one of those individuals in executive session.

- Increasing Code Fines

Solicitor Yurchak stated how they had mentioned last meeting about the property maintenance and increasing the code fines. He stated how they were talking about \$25.00 - \$75.00, but the actual fines were listed as \$100.00 - \$600.00 and they did not want to reduce the fines.

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Councilman Paul stated about increasing the amounts. Solicitor Yurchak stated that if they were talking about the administrative cost when there was a Notice of Violation letter sent, they did not need to change the ordinance to change those amounts. Councilman Paul asked who determines the amount of the fine. Solicitor Yurchak stated how that would depend on what the judge would set as the fine.

Solicitor Yurchak stated how he would like to ask Council to draft up a Resolution honoring Richard "Denny" Creitz for his past service to the Borough. He stated how he would also like to draft up a Proclamation to be given by Mayor Kattner.

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Poremba seconded to authorize Solicitor Yurchak to draft a Resolution and a Proclamation to commemorate Richard "Denny" Creitz service to the Borough. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**Councilwoman Poremba moved and Councilwoman Fox 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 02.28.22	88,901.79
Receipts	71,515.68
Expenditures	92,365.63
Balance 03.31.22	68,051.84

**SANITATION FUND**

Balance 02.28.22	300,985.89
Receipts	111,444.89
Sewer	115,380.06
Expenditures	138,881.84
Balance 03.31.22	158,168.86

**SPORTS COMPLEX FUND**

Balance 02.28.22	74,223.98
Receipts	94.05
Expenditures	2,294.71
Balance 03.31.22	72,023.32

**COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

Balance 02.28.22	8,271.53
Receipts	0.69
Expenditure	125.00
Balance 03.31.22	8,147.22

**\*ROAD CONSTRUCTION**

Balance 02.28.22	155,425.56
Receipts	0.00
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 03.31.22	155,425.56

**FIRE TRUCK FUND**

Balance 02.28.22	180,337.30
Receipts	529.40
Expenditures	7,070.92
Balance 03.31.22	173,795.78

**SEWER OPERATING & MAINTENANCE**

Balance 02.28.22	576,021.54
Receipts	182,558.46
Expenditures	100,336.31
Balance 03.31.22	658,298.16

**HIGHWAY FUND**

Balance 02.28.22	159,791.61
Receipt	104,151.64
Expenditures	11,390.81
Balance 03.31.22	252,552.44

**POLICE PENSION FUND**

Balance 02.28.22	2,629,688.92
Receipt	5,741.07
Expenditures	-6,639.51
Appreciation/Depreciation	- 70,475.85
Balance 03.31.22	2,699,266.33

**\*NESQUEHONING LION CLUB**

Balance 02.28.22	10,200.20
Receipts	0.87
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 03.31.22	10,201.07

**HOME FUND**

Balance 02.28.22	31,633.31
Receipts	2.69
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 03.31.22	31,636.00

**GENERAL SEWER CONT FUND**

Balance 02.28.22	242,450.89
Receipts	50,023.47
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 03.31.22	292,474.36

**\*SOLAR PARK ESCROW ACCOUNT**

Balance 11.30.21	10,057.82
Receipts	2.48
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 02.28.22	10,060.31

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

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**CD REPORT**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>CURRENT VALUE 03.28.22</b>	<b>INTEREST 03.28.22</b>	<b>OPENING DATE</b>	<b>CURRENT RATE</b>	<b>RENEWAL DATE</b>	<b>BANK</b>
GEN. SEWER	\$418,841.40	\$ 192.69	08-28-17	0.60%	08-26-23	JTNB
SANITATION	\$ 22,858.67	\$ 10.67	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
CAPITAL PROJ	\$ 11,204.05	\$ 5.23	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 10,946.49	\$ 5.11	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
SEWER	\$360,548.91	\$ 268.48	03-03-22	0.85%	03-02-24	JTNB
SEWER	\$515,069.86	\$ 383.55	03-03-22	0.85%	03-02-24	JTNB

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

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:**

No report.

**EXEMPTIONS:** Meghan Heffelfinger Duplication - \$44.00

**APPLICATIONS:** Christopher Cordes – Police Officer  
Corey Herring – Police Officer  
Frederick Lahovski, Jr. – Police Officer

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. 03.24.2022 Dimmick Memorial Library – Upcoming Events
2. 04.06.2022 Portnoff Reporter Spring 2022
3. 04.06.2022 PSAB – Energy Procurement
4. 04.08.2022 PennDOT LTAP – Spring /2022
5. 04.08.2022 Constellation - TEF update

**6. 04.12.2022 William Olsen - Request to put vending machine in Borough Hall**

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how it was a candy dispenser. Councilwoman Fox stated how she did not see the harm or the good in having it. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how the office staff had felt the same way. She stated that with the drop box, they did not have as much foot traffic in the office. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they could try it for a while and if it did not work, ask him to remove it. Councilman Nalesnik stated how they might be opening the door for other people wanting to set up their displays in the Borough office. He stated that he did not think that the Borough office was a place for it. Councilwoman Poremba stated how they could look at it two ways; would it bring added, unwanted foot traffic into the office and would it not bother anybody to have a small machine sitting there. President Hawk stated how they could table it until they had a chance to discuss it further at their workshop meeting.

7. 04.13.2022 Commonwealth Of PA Department Of Agriculture – Spotted Lanternfly

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8. 04.14.2022 Diversified Technology – Quote

9. 04.14.2022 Diversified Updates

**10. 04.19.2022 John McArdle – Water Authority Appointment**

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that she did not know if it was something that they had to advertise.

Solicitor Yurchak stated how they did not have to act on it that night. He stated how they did not have to advertise to fill the vacant seat. Councilman Paul asked if they could appoint someone that night.

Solicitor Yurchak stated that if they had a candidate in mind, they could just appoint them.

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Poremba seconded to appoint John McArdle to fill the vacant seat on the Water Authority for the unexpired term left by the passing of Denny Creitz. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

11. 04.20.2022 PA Rural Water – Safety: Ladder, Back and Hazard

**Councilwoman Poremba moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to approve the Exoneration and to approve all the communications/applications and place them on file. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST**

3/23/2022	10993	paint brush	True Value	Nick	Highway
3/24/2022	10994	Usa Blue book		Bob	SOM
3/24/2022	10995	lava hand soap	True Value	Nick	
3/28/2022	10996	pump	Pryze	Bob	SOM
3/28/2022	10997	6" pipe for Columbus Ave. / 8" SDR fittings 308' (castings)	Fry's Plastic	Bob	SOM
3/30/2022	10998	lock for outside faucet	True Value	Nick	
3/30/2022	10999	Metal Round - Dowel for bucket - Loader	True Value	Bob	Highway
3/31/2022	11000	Rope for flag to hang at St. Patricks Cemetary	True Value	Nick	
4/8/2022	11001	hooks for flags	True Value	Nick	
4/21/2022	11002	Zebra pens, legal tablets, filing boxes, Dble A Batteries	Office Depot	Carl	Police

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how getting the preapproval for the purchase orders has gone by the wayside. Councilwoman Poremba stated that if they did not have the folder with the signatures, they were not going to get approved. Councilwoman Fox stated how she knew/approved the USA Bluebook, the pump and the piping. Councilwoman Poremba stated about having a copy of the purchase orders for the night of the meeting. She stated that if they were not signed off, they will have to wait or not be paid.

**Councilwoman Poremba moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to approve all of the purchase orders. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS**

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

Councilwoman Poremba asked about the Sewer Construction Fund check # 1286. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how it was the last payment for the Industrial Road Sewer line project.

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## BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

### Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund

#### Bills to be Ratified

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
<b>Mar 24- Apr 26 '22</b>						
Bill Pmt -	03/25/2022	14617	Leighton Ford	Fuel Tank Assy.	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (532.21)
Check	03/25/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	03.25.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (14,820.19)
Bill Pmt -	03/25/2022	14618	Sean Smith	Pay period - March 6 - 19, 2	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (3,115.20)
Bill Pmt -	03/25/2022	14619	Timothy Wuttke	Pay period - March 6 - 19, 2	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (2,686.40)
Bill Pmt -	04/01/2022	14620	U.S. Postal Service		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (123.38)
Bill Pmt -	04/07/2022	EFT	Fleet Services	Acct. 0496-00-343234-1 - M	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (174.47)
Bill Pmt -	04/07/2022	EFT	Sunoco Wex Bank	Acct. # 0496-00-653100-8 -	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (736.71)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	14621	American United Life Insurance Company		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (872.87)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	14622	Blue Ridge Communicat	Acct # 0272893-02 - April 21	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (86.31)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	14623	Sean Smith	Pay period - March 20 - Apr	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (3,115.20)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	14624	Timothy Wuttke	Pay period - March 20 - Apr	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (2,686.40)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	14625	Windstream	Garage - 021866821 Marcl	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (40.03)
Check	04/08/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	04.08.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (15,798.95)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14626	American Arbitration Assc	Case # 01-22-0001-0415	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (325.00)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14627	Blue Ridge Communicat	Acct # 0324416-01 - Apr 20	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (87.23)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14628	Ennis-Flint, Inc	Paint:White Paint	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (2,322.48)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14629	Fry's Plastic	Pipe-H	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (5,052.60)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14630	J C Small Engine Repair	Exmark service & repair	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (848.00)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14631	John M Turcmanovich	Background check	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (275.31)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14632	Michael Radocha Jr.	Cat Loader bucket	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (400.00)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14633	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - April 2022	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (145.52)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14634	Sean Smith	Pay period - April 3 - 16, 20;	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (3,115.20)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14635	Timothy Wuttke	Pay period - April 3 - 16, 20;	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (2,686.40)
Bill Pmt -	04/22/2022	14636	Toll By Plate	Account # 13589713	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (6.30)
Check	04/22/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	04.22.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (19,681.73)
<b>Mar 24- Apr 26 '22</b>						<b>\$ (79,734.09)</b>

### Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund

#### Bills to be Ratified

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
<b>Mar 24- Apr 26 '22</b>						
Check	03/25/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	03.25.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,930.42)
Bill Pmt -	04/01/2022	11972	United States Postal Serv	Stamps - Certified	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (211.94)
Bill Pmt -	04/07/2022	EFT	Sunoco Wex Bank	Closing Date Mar 23, 2022	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (246.83)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	11973	American United Life Insurance Company		2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (145.36)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	11974	Blue Ridge Communicat	Account # 0272893-02	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (30.00)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	11975	Lansford Coaldale Joint Water Authority		2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (150.00)
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	11976	Windstream	Acct. #021866821 - pumpin	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (40.03)
Check	04/08/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	04.08.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,368.18)
Bill Pmt -	04/20/2022	11977	Blue Ridge Communicat	Acct. # 0335574-01- April 21	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (188.14)
Bill Pmt -	04/20/2022	11978	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - April 2022	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (36.38)
Check	04/22/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	04.22.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,571.40)
<b>Mar 24- Apr 26 '22</b>						<b>\$ (14,918.68)</b>

### Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund

#### Bills to be Ratified

As of April 26, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
<b>Mar 24- Apr 26 '22</b>						
Bill Pmt -	04/08/2022	1728	Lansford-Coaldale Joint V 9 Fire Hydrants -	Acct. # N-120000	· Accounts Payable	\$ (94.50)
<b>Mar 24- Apr 26 '22</b>						<b>\$ (94.50)</b>

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**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund**

**Bills to be Ratified**

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Mar 24- Apr 26 '22						
Bill Pmt -	03/25/2022	1596	Lowe's	Picture hangers	20000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (14.05)
Mar 24- Apr 26 '22						<u>\$ (14.05)</u>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund**

**Bills to be Ratified**

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Mar 24- Apr 26 '22						
Bill Pmt -	04/07/2022	EFT	SOM	March 2022 Sewer Paymen 2000	· Accounts Payable	\$ (56,407.24)
Mar 24- Apr 26 '22						<u>\$ (56,407.24)</u>



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**Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**April 27, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14637	Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.	Professional Services - March 2	\$ (426.63)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14638	County of Carbon	Telecommunications /April 2022	\$ (627.94)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14639	Datapilot	Renewal DATAPILOT 10	\$ (995.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14640	Davidheiser's Inc.	Stop Watches tested	\$ (64.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14641	H. A. Berkkheimer, Inc.	EIT Mar 2022 Collections	\$ (256.33)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14642	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (95.60)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14643	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (16,445.37)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14644	Keystone Consulting Engineers	Land Use Letter Nesquehoning	\$ (56.25)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14645	Kovatch Ford	Replace fuel injector starter	\$ (1,209.58)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14646	Marouchoc's Auto Repair		\$ (262.66)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14647	New Enterprise Stone & Lime	Cold Patch	\$ (963.82)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14648	PPL		\$ (642.48)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14649	Priya Foods, 121	Diesel/Gas Borough	\$ (764.28)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14650	Quality Parts Co., Inc.		\$ (294.10)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14651	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 3.17.2022 - 4.2	\$ (1,276.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14652	RoniSue Ahner	Gas payment for use of Persor	\$ (25.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14653	SWIF	Policy # 06326470 Installment 5	\$ (4,146.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14654	Tamaqua Auto Parts, Inc.	Muffler Clamps	\$ (30.06)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14655	The Times News	Bids for 2022 Road Improvement	\$ (546.65)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14656	Thomson Reuters - West	1003460580	\$ (260.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14657	Topp Business Solutions	Copies	\$ (60.52)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14658	United Concordia	Acct. # 536 400 0940 D000 - M	\$ (764.40)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	14659	Verizon Wireless	Acct. # 842021582-00001 - Apr	\$ (365.56)
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (30,578.23)</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Highway Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**April 27, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	1537	PPL	LED Street. Lights	\$ (4,662.92)
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (4,662.92)</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**April 27, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	1729	Department of Labor & Industry	Policy # 5998250 Installment 5	\$ (1,190.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	1730	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 3.17.2022 - 4.2	\$ (352.00)
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (1,542.00)</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sewer Construction Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**April 27, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	1286	Carbon Engineering, Inc.	Nesquehoning Borough - Indust	\$ (292.25)
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (292.25)</b>

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**Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**April 27, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11979	A&W Plumbing	Sewer Main - 500 E. Catawissa	\$ (315.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11980	Borough of Nesquehoning	Building Rent - April 2022	\$ (250.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11981	Carbon Engineering Inc	Nesquehoning Borough - 2021	\$ (1,591.75)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022		Crystal Springs	QuickBooks generated zero am	\$ -
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11982	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (35.85)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11983	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (5,953.27)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11984	JS Instrumentation & Calibration, LLC	Performed annual calibration of	\$ (200.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11985	Kovatch Inc.	2016 Ford F550 Super	\$ (934.69)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11986	Martins Electrical Service	Dialer at Pumpstation -March 21	\$ (90.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11987	PPL		\$ (4,776.35)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11988	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 3.17.2022 - 4.2	\$ (11.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11989	Topp Business Solutions	Copier	\$ (20.86)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11990	United Concordia	Acct # 5364000940 - May 2022	\$ (286.65)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	11991	Verizon	Apr 22 - 570-669-6630 751 76\	\$ (47.03)
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (14,512.45)</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**April 27, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022		Tamaqua Transfer & Recycling, Inc.	April 2022 - Acct# 531	\$ (35,870.12)
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (35,870.12)</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**April 27, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	1597	Heller's Gas - Bloomsburg	Rec Center - Monitored Rec Ce	\$ (14.20)
Bill Pmt -Check	04/27/2022	1598	PPL		\$ (184.13)
<b>April 27, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (198.33)</b>

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**Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of April 16, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				
Deposit	03/21/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 6,578.57
Deposit	03/23/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 1,544.76
Deposit	03/28/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 1,170.15
Deposit	03/30/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 835.30
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 242.06
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 10.84
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 383.58
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	320.800 · Rental License Fees	\$ 200.00
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,858.32
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 12,942.74
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,171.01
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Real Estate Taxes - Delinquent	\$ 644.49
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	1499 · Undeposited Funds	\$ 997.70
Deposit	03/31/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 6.85
Deposit	04/04/2022	Deposit	320.800 · Rental License Fees	\$ 10.00
Deposit	04/12/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 709.85
Deposit	04/13/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 75.00
Deposit	04/13/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,320.34
Deposit	04/13/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 781.64
Deposit	04/13/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 403.58
Deposit	04/13/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,017.91
Deposit	04/13/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 1,124.60
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				<b>\$ 40,029.29</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of April 16, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				
Deposit	03/30/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Fire	\$ 464.56
Deposit	03/31/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 14.84
Deposit	04/01/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Fire	\$ 69.73
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				<b>\$ 549.13</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of April 16, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				
Deposit	03/31/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Recreatio	\$ 87.89
Deposit	03/31/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Income	\$ 6.16
Deposit	04/01/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Recreatio	\$ 13.19
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				<b>\$ 107.24</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of April 16, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				
Deposit	03/30/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 124.07
Deposit	03/31/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 54.47
Deposit	04/06/2022	Deposit	364.121 · Sewer User Charge	\$ 56,407.24
Deposit	04/13/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 13,799.32
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				<b>\$ 70,385.10</b>

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**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

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<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				
General Journal	03/21/2022	16106	-SPLIT-	\$ 7,421.00
General Journal	03/21/2022	16108	-SPLIT-	\$ 235.50
General Journal	03/21/2022	16109	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	03/21/2022	16112	-SPLIT-	\$ 8,156.50
General Journal	03/22/2022	16110	-SPLIT-	\$ 306.00
General Journal	03/22/2022	16113	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,591.00
General Journal	03/23/2022	16111	-SPLIT-	\$ 252.00
General Journal	03/23/2022	16114	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,385.80
General Journal	03/24/2022	16118	-SPLIT-	\$ 711.00
General Journal	03/24/2022	16119	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,353.00
General Journal	03/25/2022	16120	-SPLIT-	\$ 822.00
General Journal	03/25/2022	16123	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,301.00
General Journal	03/26/2022	16121	-SPLIT-	\$ 240.00
General Journal	03/27/2022	16122	-SPLIT-	\$ 240.00
General Journal	03/28/2022	16124	-SPLIT-	\$ 180.00
General Journal	03/28/2022	16125	-SPLIT-	\$ 7,466.00
General Journal	03/29/2022	16127	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,544.00
General Journal	03/30/2022	16126	-SPLIT-	\$ 186.00
General Journal	03/30/2022	16129	-SPLIT-	\$ 426.00
General Journal	03/30/2022	16131	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,579.80
General Journal	03/30/2022	16129	-SPLIT-	\$ 300.00
General Journal	03/31/2022	16130	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
General Journal	03/31/2022	16132	-SPLIT-	\$ 564.00
General Journal	03/31/2022	16133	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
General Journal	03/31/2022	16134	-SPLIT-	\$ 366.00
General Journal	03/31/2022	16135	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,534.00
Deposit	03/31/2022	Interest	340.100 Interest Earnings	\$ 16.54
General Journal	04/01/2022	16142	-SPLIT-	\$ 530.00
General Journal	04/01/2022	16145	-SPLIT-	\$ 7,315.00
General Journal	04/02/2022	16143	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	04/03/2022	16144	-SPLIT-	\$ 54.00
General Journal	04/04/2022	16147	-SPLIT-	\$ 768.00
General Journal	04/04/2022	16148	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,801.50
General Journal	04/05/2022	16150	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	04/05/2022	16151	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,802.00
General Journal	04/06/2022	16152	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,280.00
General Journal	04/07/2022	16154	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	04/07/2022	16155	-SPLIT-	\$ 504.00
General Journal	04/07/2022	16158	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,507.00
General Journal	04/08/2022	16156	-SPLIT-	\$ 690.00
General Journal	04/08/2022	16159	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,648.75
General Journal	04/09/2022	16157	-SPLIT-	\$ 360.00
General Journal	04/11/2022	16165	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,192.00
General Journal	04/11/2022	16166	-SPLIT-	\$ 192.00
General Journal	04/11/2022	16168	-SPLIT-	\$ 8,497.50
General Journal	04/12/2022	16167	-SPLIT-	\$ 192.00
General Journal	04/12/2022	16171	-SPLIT-	\$ 126.00
General Journal	04/12/2022	16172	-SPLIT-	\$ 466.00
General Journal	04/13/2022	16174	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
General Journal	04/13/2022	16181	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,337.00
General Journal	04/14/2022	16175	-SPLIT-	\$ 816.00
General Journal	04/14/2022	16182	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,133.00
General Journal	04/15/2022	16176	-SPLIT-	\$ 504.00
General Journal	04/16/2022	16177	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
				<b>\$ 95,612.89</b>
Mar 20 - Apr 16 '22				

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**1. PUBLIC SAFETY:**

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

- Fire Department Summary Report – March 2022

Councilwoman Porembo stated that there were 9 calls for the month of March 2022, which included 2 Motor vehicle accidents, 1 Automatic fire alarms, 1 Mutual aid (Tamaqua), 1 Spill, 1 Dwelling fire, 2 Fire Police and 1 Landing Zone. She stated that there were a total of 32 calls for 2022.

- **Certification Training for DATAPILOT 10**

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to purchase the Certification Training for the Datapilot 10 software in the amount of \$1,295.00. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

President Hawk asked about the renewal. Councilwoman Porembo stated how they paid \$995.00 for the renewal of the software, which was listed in the expenses; General Fund check # 14639. She stated how there was a part of the software where any office could take a webcast on how to use the equipment. Councilwoman Porembo stated how they needed a certification for anything that they would take to court. She stated how any officer could work with it, but they would be working under the officer who was certified.

- **Proposed Layout For Borough Vehicle (CODE)**

Councilman Nalesnik stated how he had received a quote from Frontline Graphix to letter the 2014 Ford (old police car) "Borough of Nesquehoning" in non-reflective lettering except for the back in the amount of \$850.00. He stated how the vehicle would have to be delivered to Penn Forest. Councilman Paul stated how the car needed a rear view mirror. Councilman Nalesnik stated that he would ask that the Borough crew clean the car (inside and out) once a month.

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to have the 2014 Ford lettered with reflective graphics in the rear for \$850.00. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **Set up – Ad Hoc Blight Committee (2 Council – 5 Residents)**

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to set up an ad hoc Blight Committee consisting of 2 council members and 5 residents. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **SW24 – Renewal LPR**

Councilwoman Porembo asked that they table the LPR renewal to discuss it at their next workshop meeting.

- **Burn Ban**

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to enact a Burn Ban for a period of 30 days, which was in effect on April 25, 2022. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Councilwoman Porembo stated how they met with a potential part-time police officer. She stated how they would be discussing that meeting along with pay rates during the executive session.

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❖ **MAYOR'S REPORT/  
COG REPORT**

• **Ratify approval - VFW Corn-hole Fund Raiser – Center Street**

Mayor Kattner stated how he wanted to apologize if anyone was offended with the closing of E. Center Street, by the VFW. He stated how it was for a good cause, corn-hole fund raiser. President Hawk stated how he had granted him permission for them to block off the street, which his actions would need to be ratified. Mayor Kattner stated how they would be holding another one on July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Nalesnik seconded to ratify the actions of closing Center Street and approving the closing of Center Street on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Mayor Kattner stated how he wanted to thank the Fire Departments for their actions at the fire on Catawissa Street.

❖ **POLICE REPORT**

• April 2022 Police Report

Mayor Kattner stated how there was a total of \$998.78 fine money received for March/April 2022.

❖ **CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

No report.

❖ **HOUSING & CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT**

• Gene Kennedy – Zoning Report - March 2022

❖ **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

John McArdle stated about the acknowledgment letters to the fire companies who responded to the Catawissa Street fire. He stated how he also wanted to thank Councilwoman Fox and the Meed's Church, because they provided shelter, clothing and food for the people. Councilwoman Fox stated how Nesquehoning residents stepped up with donations. She stated how Rosetta's, Turkey Hill and McDonalds also provided donations of food and drinks for the people and the firemen.

• **Approve Ladder & Foam Replacement**

Mr. McArdle stated how they had damaged a roof ladder at the fire; fortunately it was covered by the insurance. He stated how they were covering the cost of the ladder and waiving the \$500.00 deductible. Mr. McArdle stated how it was going to take them 20 weeks to get the ladder. Mr. McArdle stated that with the way the building was constructed, they had to use foam. He stated how he would like to bill the homeowners for the replacement of the foam, like they do with the absorbent. Councilwoman Poremba asked if they were allowed to bill for that. Solicitor Yurchak stated how he would have to check, because they did have an ordinance for the emergency replacement. Mr. McArdle stated how they used it for 137 & 139 W. Catawissa Street; each property owner would be responsible for half of the cost.

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Councilwoman Poremba stated how Councilman Nalesnik had a question about the ladder when they were emailing back and forth. Councilman Nalesnik asked Mr. McArdle if he had checked around because a ladder was usually a warehouse item. Mr. McArdle stated how they had checked a couple of places, but they could not find any. He stated how their insurance agent was a volunteer fireman and he had checked with his vendor as well. Mr. McArdle stated how he did have it ordered.

Mr. McArdle asked about purchasing the foam and it would come to a cost of \$1,670.00. He stated that for clarification, the reason they had used the foam was because it would penetrate into deep seeded areas. Mr. McArdle stated that with the high risk of the apartment building next door, it was the best thing that they could do so they did not get called out in the middle of the night because the fire had started back up.

**Councilwoman Poremba moved and Councilwoman Fox to allow the Nesquehoning Hose Company to purchase the foam and to authorize Solicitor Yurchak to look into if the cost could be reimbursed by the insurance companies. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**Councilwoman Poremba moved and Councilwoman Fox 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 CHAIRMAN; LOUIS PAUL, CO-CHAIRMAN; FRANK JACOBS**

- Estimates – 2011 Ford 550 engine replacement
- **Award 2022 Road Project Bids - W. Ridge Street; W. High Street (upper and lower) and E. DiVinci Avenue**

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to award the 2022 Road Project bid to H & K Group in the amount of \$125,110.05. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Councilman Paul stated how they have E. Marconi and W. Mussmano Avenue on their list for next year. Councilman Nalesnik asked if they had discussed Columbus Avenue. Councilwoman Poremba stated how she had listed Columbus Avenue (2 blocks) out of sewer and E. Diaz Avenue being done by CDBG. She stated how she would review all of that under the Budget report, because they would need to prioritize the road list. Councilman Paul stated how they had talked about taking the funding for W. Columbus Avenue out of the COVID funds. Councilwoman Poremba stated how they were going to take the two blocks of W. Columbus Avenue (Sewer project) out of the Sewer fund, which would include the paving. She stated how they were not adding any money to the Sewer fund nor were they using any of the ARP funding. Councilman Paul stated about incorporating the COVID funds for the Sewer project.

Councilman Paul stated how he wanted to take the 2022 streets that they were not able to do that year and roll them into the project for 2023. He stated how he did not want to change that plan.

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to place E. Marconi Avenue and W. Mussmano Avenue on the priority list for 2023, with the possibility of adding additional streets to the 2023 Road Project. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

President Hawk stated how they had received a curb cut request from 8 W. Center Street and did not know if anyone had a chance to take a look at it. Councilman Paul stated how he would stop and look at it.

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President Hawk stated how he had received an email that the Railroad would be starting on the crossing on May 8<sup>th</sup>. He stated that the Railroad received a paving quote in the amount of \$29,000.00 for the area that the Street Committee had agreed upon when they met them with the Engineer for the crossing on Industrial Road at Park Avenue. Councilman Paul stated how he thought that they could only go up to \$11,800.00. President Hawk stated how they were not asking for the entire amount; they wanted to know how much the Borough was willing to contribute to the paving, since they were going outside of what they were required to pave. Councilwoman Fox asked about getting the pipe replaced before they paved. President Hawk stated how he did not know if they were going to go out as far as the pipe, but he would hate to cut fresh blacktop to put in the pipe. Councilman Nalesnik stated how it was the Borough's plan to replace the pipe while the Railroad had the crossing closed. Councilman Paul stated how they would need to get quotes from contractors to do the work. He stated how the Railroad did not get back to them until that day, so how was the Borough supposed to move forward on the pipe replacement project before that day.

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to add the authorization for pipe cost approval to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **President Hawk authorization – contractor pipe cost approval – Industrial Road.**

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to authorize President Hawk to approve the cost for a contractor to install the pipe on Industrial Road up to the bid requirement amount. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

President Hawk stated how he would reply to the Railroad on how the Borough would only be allowed by State Law to spend up to \$11,799.00 without getting additional quotes or bidding the project. He stated how he would find out if they had solicited more than just that one quote.

### **3. SEWER**

**MARY FOX, CHAIRWOMAN; FRANK JACOBS, CO- CHAIRMAN;**

- **March 2022 Sewer/Sanitation Adjustment Report**

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Porembo seconded to approve the March 2022 Sewer/Sanitation Adjustments. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **Columbus Avenue project**

Councilwoman Fox stated how the Sewer Committee would be meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday morning at the Sewer plant with Dave Schlott, Arro Engineering. She stated how she had talked to Michael Radocha concerning the Columbus Avenue project, which might have to go out for bid if they did not supply any workers. Councilman Paul stated how Mr. Pilla would be helping with the project. Councilwoman Fox asked if they were able to utilize a truck and a driver for the project. She stated how they could get prices for an excavator with an operator and a laborer. Councilwoman Fox stated how the Borough has already purchased the pipe and they would also be purchasing the stone.

Councilwoman Fox stated how the Industrial Road sewer line was on hold because of the issue they were having with the Windstream building and the fiber optic lines.

- **SOM – 2021 Budget vs. Actual – Rush Township reimbursement**

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Porembo seconded to reimburse Rush Township for their 2021 overpayment of \$10,866.68. All voted yes. Motion passed.**



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Councilwoman Fox stated about Mr. Pilla getting a quote for smoke testing, which they would start in New Columbus.

Councilwoman Fox stated that when she had talked to Ms. Chapello, Carbon Engineering, the attachment did not go through on the email that was sent to Eastern Environmental (Andrew) concerning the inspection report. She stated how the email has been resent and Eastern was supposed to be at the plant within the next two weeks to complete/fix the inspection issues by May 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **4. BUILDINGS      BRUCE NALESNIK, CHAIRMAN; CO- CHAIRMAN; FRANK JACOBS**

Councilman Nalesnik stated how they were fixing items as they were brought up, hopefully in a timely manner. He stated about the possibility of using some of the ARP funds to update the Recreation Center. Councilman Nalesnik stated how he would be willing to meet with the Recreation Committee to get an idea of what they would like to do.

- **Seitz Brothers CSR – Nesquehoning Rec. Center & Police Station**

Councilman Nalesnik stated about the request from Seitz Brothers. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how she did not receive a quote/proposal, just a request to meet to discuss the issue and the Borough's options.

### **5. SANITATION      LOUIS PAUL, CHAIRMAN; ROSEMARY POREMBO, CO-CHAIRWOMAN; BRUCE NALESNIK**

- March 2022 Tamaqua Transfer Tonnage Report

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how she was looking to schedule the electronic recycling for Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 2 – 4 p.m.

### **6. RECREATION      MARY FOX, CHAIRWOMAN; LOUIS PAUL, CO-CHAIRMAN; DAVID HAWK**

- Picnic tables / benches – Carport from KME

Councilwoman Fox stated how she had not heard back about the table, benches or car port, but since they sold the buildings, she would not expect a response anymore. Councilman Nalesnik stated how he would reach out to the new owner about them.

- **Acknowledgment And Release**

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Porembo seconded to adopt the Acknowledgment and Release Form and have any volunteer sign the form. All voted yes. Motion passed**

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

- Clarification/Placement ARP funding

Councilwoman Porembo stated how she had drafted up a projected placement for the ARP funds. She stated about the funds, which were currently in the Roads account with the projected cost for the 2022 Road project and how they also had some projected cost for the 2023 Road project.

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Councilwoman Porembo stated about the first payment Borough received of the ARP funds and how they could budget it into four different categories; Road construction - \$100,000.00; Sports Complex Fund - \$35,000.00; Legal fees - \$11,000.00 and hold \$24,000.00 for anything unforeseen or for the 2023 budget. She stated how they would be receiving the second half of the funding in June 2022, which they would need to discuss how to distribute the funds with a priority list for streets, recreation, buildings, etc. Councilwoman Porembo stated how they could extend the funding into 2024 for any additional projects. She stated how they had budgeted \$25,000.00 for blight in the 2022 budget, so that might be something to look into for the Blight Committee. Councilman Paul stated how they were saving \$28,000.00 in sanitation and asked if they could use that towards blight. Councilwoman Porembo stated that if they would take funds from the Sanitation, a proprietary fund, it would have to be paid back. Councilman Paul stated about the Sports Complex Fund and asked if the funding was there for the grant. Councilwoman Porembo stated that since they redesign the project, they were taking two years from the Sports Complex Fund along with some of the ARP funding to finish the project.

**8. PERSONNEL/ SAFETY**      **MARY FOX, CHAIRWOMAN; ROSEMARY POREMBO; CO-CHAIRWOMAN; BRUCE NALESNIK**

- Employee Handbook – draft

Councilwoman Fox stated how they would have to set up a committee meeting to review the employee handbook. She stated how they also had contracts coming up at the end of the year. Councilwoman Fox stated how they have to make sure that they stay on top of the health care plan, when it was up for renewal.

- Employee Memo

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner asked if they had reviewed the memo for the workers in the public works department and if it was ready to be handed out. She stated how she did not include anything on the memo in regards to reporting workers compensation injuries. President Hawk asked if they wanted to include it all in one memo. Councilwoman Fox stated about the wording that would be needed. Solicitor Yurchak stated how he would look into it. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they could give them a separate memo for reporting workers compensation injuries. Councilwoman Porembo and Councilwoman Fox stated how they were good with that.

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to accept all committee reports. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Borough Council Members entered into an Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. for personnel. The Council Members exited their Executive Session at 8:55 p.m.

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilman Paul seconded to hire Corey Herring as a part-time police officer as \$30.00 per hour. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilwoman Porembo moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.**

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RoniSue Ahner  
Secretary/Treasurer