

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., Borough Office

114 W. Catawissa Street, Nesquehoning, PA 18240

ROLL CALL: COUNCILMEN/COUNCILWOMEN FOX, GUARDIANI, HEANEY, KUBA, NALESNIK, PAUL, PRESIDENT HAWK; MAYOR KATTNER & SOLICITOR YURCHAK

President Hawk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES: Approve the minutes from the Regular Meetings held on June 22, 2022
Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Guardiani seconded to approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on June 22, 2022. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- Proclamation – Frank Jacobs
- Resolution – Frank Jacobs

Mayor Kattner read the Proclamation for Frank Jacobs, Sr. President Hawk read the Resolution in memory of Frank Jacobs, Sr.

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to adopt the Resolution in memory of Frank Jacobs, Sr. All voted yes. Motion passed.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Susan Highland – 243 E. Railroad Street – stated how she never had a complaint, which required her to attend a Council meeting in the 35 years she has lived in Nesquehoning. She stated how her neighbor was storing abandoned vehicles and also junking; whereas, he has people dropping off appliances, air conditioners and scrap metal. Ms. Highland stated that when her neighbors moved in, they had tolerated it. She stated how she has now filed a complaint at the Borough office, because it has gotten out of hand. Ms. Highland stated how they were installing sheds on the property without permits and piling their yard full of junk. She stated how she had contacted the police about the abandoned vehicles, but they claimed there was nothing they could do, because they were on private property. Ms. Highland stated how they were sitting on High Street and also on the hillside property, which was owned by somebody else, on the other side of High Street. She stated how she had contacted the property owner to let him know what was happening. Ms. Highland stated that she might not be able to control the junk on the neighbor's property, but the junk and abandoned vehicles in the alley should not be allowed.

Ms. Highland stated how there was a trailer being dropped on her street. She stated that from her understanding, trailers were not allowed to be dropped; they had to be hooked to a vehicle. Ms. Highland stated that she had mentioned it when she was filing her complaint and was told how that was a police matter. She stated that she did report it to the police and they did get a ticket, but it was now moved to High Street and blocking the street. Ms. Highland stated how she wanted the junk removed, because it was destroying property values. She stated how she had talked to Gene Kennedy, because she believed that her neighbors were running a junk yard, which Mr. Kennedy did not agree. Councilwoman Fox asked if her neighbor's property was a rental property. Ms. Highland stated how they own the property. Councilwoman Fox asked if the junk vehicles were sitting on someone else's property. Ms. Highland stated how they were sitting at the base of the hillside, which was owned by Christopher Peterson. She stated how she had sent Mr. Peterson a letter and he called her with his contact information.

**RESOLUTION
IN MEMORY OF FRANK JACOBS, SR.**

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2022, **FRANK JACOBS, SR.**, a highly esteemed and respected long time member of Nesquehoning Borough Council passed away; and,

WHEREAS, **FRANK JACOBS, SR.**, served two terms as Mayor of Nesquehoning and thereafter as a councilman for more than eight terms serving the residents of the Borough as a public official in excess of forty (40) years during which time he served as council president and the chairman of many committees including budget, police, sanitation and streets;

WHEREAS, **FRANK JACOBS SR.** was also active in other aspects of the community participating in Nesquehoning Knee-Hi football, wrestling and girls' flag football programs;

WHEREAS, **FRANK JACOBS, SR.** not only served Nesquehoning but also Carbon County being a member of the County Planning Commission, Board of Assessment Appeals, Solid Waste Advisory Board and also as a Carbon County Jury Commissioner;

WHEREAS, **FRANK JACOBS SR.** was very active in the Democratic Party having served on the as Carbon County Democratic Executive Committee for more than thirty (30) years spending twelve (12) years as Chairman .

WHEREAS, **FRANK JACOBS SR.** was also a proud family man, being married to Mary Alice "Skip" Jacobs for 64 years until her passing in 2019 with six children, Frank, Jr., Nancy, Sharon, Robert, Edward and Eugene with many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Nesquehoning Borough Council, recognize, and in so doing, honor and express deep sorrow at the passing of **FRANK JACOBS, SR.**, being fully aware of the tremendous loss suffered by his family, Carbon County and the Borough of Nesquehoning as a whole; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Nesquehoning Borough Council, express our gratitude and appreciation of his life and career, of the value of his example, of his fine character, of his exemplary life and of his untiring zeal for the welfare of his family, this Council and his neighbors and community and that we honor his memory with this tribute.

DULY ORDAINED this 27th day of July, 2022

NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

BY: _____

David Hawk, President


ATTEST: _____

Secretary

PROCLAMATION

As Mayor of Nesquehoning and on behalf of the residents and citizens of the Borough of Nesquehoning and in recognition of the more than Forty (40) years of public service to the Nesquehoning first as Mayor and then as Councilman, not the mention the long list of other volunteer activities in which Frank Jacobs, Sr. participated including but not limited to the Nesquehoning Knee-Hi football program, the Nesquehoning girls' flag football team, the Nesquehoning Historical Society, the Nesquehoning Lions Club, the wrestling program, and so on, together with the great personal commitment and personal sacrifices made by FRANK JACOBS, SR., I hereby declare Friday, July 29, 2022 as FRANK JACOBS, SR. Day in Honor of the continuing dedication and tireless service given to the people of Nesquehoning.

Hereby proclaimed by the Honorable Thomas Kattner, Mayor of The Borough of Nesquehoning this 27th day of July, 2022.


Thomas Kattner, Mayor

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Ms. Highland stated how she was told that Chief Sean Smith was working on trying to get property cleaned up when he left service. She stated that it makes her questions as to why she had to attend a meeting and why they did not continue to address the matter. Ms. Highland stated how she felt that it was jeopardizing their safety and their property. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how Mary Arieta was working with Chip Stalega (Barry Isett & Associates) and the NOV had already been mailed. Ms. Highland asked if the Borough wanted Mr. Peterson's contact information. Solicitor Yurchak stated "yes". He stated that if Mr. Peterson would file a complaint with the police department, they could act under the vehicle code to get the vehicles removed. Councilwoman Guardiani asked Ms. Highland what Mr. Peterson's reaction was. Ms. Highland stated how he had no idea that it was happening and that he did not want it there. She stated how there could be environmental issues, because of the leaking fluid from the vehicles onto Mr. Peterson's property. Councilwoman Guardiani stated how that was what she had wanted to know, what Ms. Highland just told them, which was that Mr. Peterson did not want it there. President Hawk stated how they would defiantly be in touch with Mr. Peterson, which would give them an avenue to pursue. He stated that concerning the items that were on Mr. Peterson's property, they would be following up on it to try to get a resolution for her.

Ms. Highland stated how the police officers were at the meeting, so they were now aware of the trailer sitting on High Street. Officer Mike Weaver stated how Officer Breiner was looking into the trailer and it was issued a ticket. He stated that in regards to everything else, it was the first time he was hearing about it. Ms. Highland stated how the trailer was just being moved from one place to another. Officer Weaver stated that Officer Breiner was still in contact with the owner of the trailer.

George Sabol – 158 Padua Street – asked if the appraisal was completed for the Railroad Station Park. President Hawk stated "yes". Mr. Sabol asked what their next step was and why they got an appraisal on the property. Solicitor Yurchak stated how they could not really discuss it because it was real estate and there were negotiations involved. Mr. Sabol asked if it was negotiations for the sale of the property. Solicitor Yurchak stated how he did not say that. He stated that any sale of a property would have to be put out for bid. Mr. Sabol asked if there was anything advertised in the paper. Solicitor Yurchak stated how there was nothing advertised in the paper.

Mr. Sabol stated how he had mentioned last month about how the Recreation Commission was supposed to give back 60% of their proceeds to the community since Governor Wolfe has lifted the restrictions from COVID. He stated how their checking account balance never really changed over the six years he was on Council. Councilwoman Fox stated how the Recreation Commission was holding a meeting on Monday, August 1st and they were going to be discussing that with them.

Mr. Sabol stated how he had asked about the COVID relief money at the last meeting; how much was received, how it was dispersed, etc. He stated how President Hawk, Councilwoman Fox and Councilman Nalesnik had told him that they did not receive any COVID funding yet. Councilman Nalesnik stated how they did receive the first round of funding last year and they should have just received the second half of the funding. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they were supposed to receive the funding mid-to-late July, but nothing has come through yet. Mr. Sabol stated that at the last meeting, they had told him that they did not receive the money. He asked if they were not aware that they had received \$170,000.00. Councilwoman Fox stated that they were aware of it.

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Mr. Sabol stated how he would like Council to explain how the COVID relief money was being spent and which accounts it was put into. Councilwoman Fox asked Secretary/Treasurer Ahner if she would explain. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that the Borough had received \$170,000.00+ in June of 2021, which was being held in a separate account. \$11,000.00 went towards legal/consultant fees, \$14,000.00 went to the Water Authority for the new meter reader for the Estates, \$35,000.00 was going to Sports Complex Fund (recreation) to help with cost over the award of the grants for Johnson & Jacobs Park, and \$100,000.00 was going towards the 2022 Road Project. She stated how there was approximately \$10,000.00 remaining from the first disbursement. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that \$100,000.00 from the second disbursement was going towards the 2023 Road Project. Mr. Sabol asked if she would write that down for him so he could pick it up at a later time. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated “yes”.

Mr. Sabol asked if the roller and the water truck in the Fire Company parking lot were for the project on Diaz Avenue. President Hawk stated how he would imagine that they belonged to the contractor since the equipment did not belong to the Borough. Mr. Sabol asked if there were any extra milling from Diaz Avenue, he would like to have a load or two. President Hawk stated how the millings were going to the Nesquehoning Water Authority to use on the road to the 4th Hollow Damn. Mr. Sabol asked if they were going to mill the entire street. Councilman Paul stated “yes”. Mr. Sabol asked if there were any available, would they put him on the list. President Hawk stated how they did not know how much was going to be used for the road, because they were under DEP’s orders to do something.

Amy Miller – 3 Park Avenue – stated how she had asked about the street sweeping a few months back and it was stated how the streets were not that bad. She stated that she would beg to differ, because if they would look down every Avenue in the Estates, they would notice piles of cinders at the bottom of every Avenue (at Park Avenue). Councilwoman Fox stated how it was probably from everything washing down the hill, even the stuff from Route 54. Ms. Miller stated that as a parent, when her children were riding their scooters/ bikes, trying to stay close to the curb, it was a safety hazard and could cause them to fall. She asked if they could do anything about the cinders. Councilman Paul asked “which avenue”? Ms. Miller stated how it was at the base of every Avenue. President Hawk stated how they would have the Street Committee look into it.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- **Portnoff – Amendment to Agreement – Collections of Delinquent Taxes**

Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to adopt the amendment to the agreement with Pornoff on the delinquent Real Estate Tax collection fees. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Advertise – Ordinance Approving Validation Notice Fee – Delinquent Taxes**

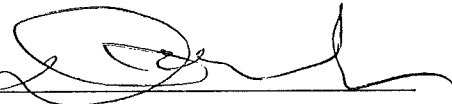
Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Paul seconded to advertise the amendment for the changes to the Delinquent Tax Collection Ordinance approving a validation notice fee. All voted yes. Motion passed.

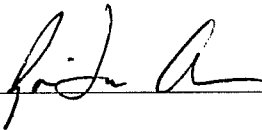
**AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR COLLECTION OF
DELINQUENT MUNICIPAL CLAIMS
ON BEHALF OF BOROUGH OF NESQUEHONING**

Borough of Nesquehoning (the "Borough") and Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd. ("Portnoff") have heretofore entered into an Agreement for Collection of Municipal Claims on Behalf of Borough of Nesquehoning (the "Agreement"), executed by the Borough and by Portnoff on December 8, 2021. The parties wish to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Any and all fees listed in the Agreement shall hereby be replaced with the updated fee schedule set forth on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
2. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

Borough of Nesquehoning

By:  _____

Attest:  _____

Date: 7-27-2022 _____

Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd.

By: _____

Attest: _____

Date: _____

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- DEP – Informational Meeting – Alpha Bio-Med Services – Permit Modification

Solicitor Yurchak stated how they will be hold the DEP public information meeting at the Borough office prior to the August Regular meeting on August 24th at 5:00 p.m.

Solicitor Yurchak stated to Mr. McArdle on how he had checked into warehouses, which were allowed in a R-C District and by special exemption in a C-1, C-2 and I Districts. He stated how they do have provisions for warehouses.

- Lake Hauto Club – Request a meeting

Solicitor Yurchak stated how the Lake Hauto Club had answered his letter and they were looking to schedule a meeting with Council to discuss various issues. Mr. McArdle stated that he would recommend that the meeting be held with all of Council and Solicitor. Solicitor Yurchak stated how they will have to get some dates.

Solicitor Yurchak stated that the Nesquehoning Borough Water Authority was requesting that the Borough Council amend the water hookup ordinance. He stated that, currently if someone was on a well in the property would get sold; they were able to stay on the well. Solicitor Yurchak stated how the Authority would like to force someone who was on a well to hook up to the water system when the property would sell if water was available within a reasonable distance.

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Heaney seconded to add the Nesquehoning Borough Water Authority's request for an amendment to the Water Hookup Ordinance to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Nesquehoning Borough Authority request for an amendment to the Water Hookup Ordinance Councilwoman Heaney moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to authorize Solicitor Yurchak to draft an amendment to the Water Hookup Ordinance.**

President Hawk stated how it was part of the ordinance that if a resident was on a well and the well would fail; they were required to hook up to the water system, if Borough water was available. He stated how the amendment would require the hook up to the water system on the sale of a property, if they were on a well and if Borough water was available.

All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Kuba 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 05.31.22	298,649.46
Receipts	672,760.46
Expenditures	217,606.49
Balance 06.30.22	753,803.43

SANITATION FUND

Balance 05.31.22	199,202.17
Receipts	94,011.47
Sewer	50,295.36
Expenditures	71,470.24
Balance 06.30.22	171,178.04

SPORTS COMPLEX FUND

Balance 05.31.22	78,250.80
Receipts	12,225.32
Expenditures	345.74
Balance 06.30.22	90,130.38

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Balance 05.31.22	8,752.11
Receipts	200.73
Expenditure	0.00
Balance 06.30.22	8,952.84

***ROAD CONSTRUCTION**

Balance 05.31.22	155,464.74
Receipts	80,013.76
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 06.30.22	235,464.74

FIRE TRUCK FUND

Balance 05.31.22	199,331.09
Receipts	116,144.93
Expenditures	8,765.21
Balance 06.30.22	306,710.81

SEWER OPERATING & MAINTENANCE

Balance 05.31.22	755,879.87
Receipts	50,606.06
Expenditures	61,699.47
Balance 06.30.22	744,786.46

HIGHWAY FUND

Balance 05.31.22	247,931.38
Receipt	20.11
Expenditures	4,619.03
Balance 05.31.22	243,332.46

POLICE PENSION FUND

Balance 05.31.22	2,498,272.82
Receipt	7,321.38
Expenditures	15,890.68
Appreciation/Depreciation	175,960.04
Balance 06.30.22	2,313,743.48

NESQUEHONING LION CLUB

Balance 05.31.22	10,202.77
Receipts	0.84
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 06.30.22	10,203.61

HOME FUND

Balance 05.31.22	31,641.28
Receipts	2.60
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 06.30.22	31,643.88

GENERAL SEWER CONT FUND

Balance 05.31.22	290,692.85
Receipts	23.69
Expenditures	3,064.45
Balance 06.30.22	287,652.09

***SOLAR PARK ESCROW ACCOUNT**

Balance 02.28.22	10,060.31
Receipts	2.54
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 05.31.22	10,060.31

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

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CD REPORT

FUND	CURRENT VALUE 06.30.22	INTEREST 06.30.22	OPENING DATE	CURRENT RATE	RENEWAL DATE	BANK
GEN. SEWER	\$419,475.15	\$ 213.65	08-28-17	0.60%	08-26-23	JTNB
SANITATION	\$ 22,890.02	\$ 10.34	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
CAPITAL PROJ	\$ 11,219.42	\$ 5.07	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 10,961.51	\$ 4.95	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
SEWER	\$361,313.52	\$ 252.25	03-03-22	0.85%	03-02-24	JTNB
SEWER	\$516,162.15	\$ 360.35	03-03-22	0.85%	03-02-24	JTNB

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

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

June 2022

Real Estate	\$31,627.62
Occupational	\$ 600.00
Per Capita	\$ 350.00
TOTAL:	\$32,577.62

APPLICATIONS:

Lahovski Jr, Fredrick – Police Officer
 Long, Daniel – Police Officer
 Yaskiewicz, Jonathan – Chief/Police Officer
 Mehmeti Jr., Bejtullah – Police Officer
 Tom, Joshhua – Chief/Police Officer

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 06.29.22 Carbon Conservation District – Industrial Road, Green Acres Industrial Park
- 07.01.22 PA Rural Water – Aging Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Repair or Replace
- 07.05.22 PA Rural Water – Pre-Treatment 101
- 07.05.22 Municibid Online government auctions.
- 07.06.22 Mid-Atlantic Appraisal Consultants Inc.
- 07.11.22 Rugged Utility & Contracting
- 07.15.22 ET&T – Communication Technology
- 07.15.22 Diversified – New Billing System
- 07.20.22 PennDOT/LTAP – Summer 2022

Councilwoman Guardiani moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to accept the Tax Collector's Report and to approve all communications/applications and place them on file. 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 July 26, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Jun 23 - Jul 26 '22						
Bill Pmt -	07/01/2022	14737	American United Life Insurance Company		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (329.29)
Check	07/01/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	07.01.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (18,037.15)
Bill Pmt -	07/01/2022	14738	Police Pension Fund	2022 Pension Payment	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (44,016.93)
Bill Pmt -	07/01/2022	14739	U.S. Postal Service	Stamps-Certifieds	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (123.38)
Bill Pmt -	07/06/2022	EFT	Fleet Services	Acct. 0496-00-343234-1 - Ji	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (569.23)
Bill Pmt -	07/06/2022	EFT	Sunoco Wex Bank	Account# 0496-00-653100-(200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (1,146.77)
Bill Pmt -	07/08/2022	14740	Reading & Northern Railr	Paving for Industrial Drive E	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (7,268.50)
Check	07/14/2022	EFT	Fire Truck Fund	Portnoff - EFT deposit trans	301.400 · Real Estate Taxes - Delinq	\$ (117.24)
Check	07/14/2022	EFT	Sports Complex Fund #1	Portnoff - EFT deposit trans	301.400 · Real Estate Taxes - Delinq	\$ (22.18)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14741	Blue Ridge Communications		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (178.04)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14742	Delrose Awards	Name Plates	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (39.60)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14743	Nesquehoning Boro Auth	LB Water - Water Meter Re:	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (7,000.00)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14744	Nesquehoning True Value		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (116.14)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14745	Nicholas Degiglio	Boot 5 buckle Black	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (59.99)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14746	Person Agency, Inc.	File# L2206-001	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (300.00)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14747	Telco, Inc.	Replace pedestrian pole, acc	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (1,334.75)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14748	Verizon Wireless	Acct. # 842021582-00001 -	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (285.57)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	14749	Windstream	Garage - 021866821 June	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (39.80)
Check	07/15/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	07.15.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (22,796.39)
						\$ (103,780.95)

Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Jun 23 - Jul 26 '22						
Bill Pmt -	07/01/2022	12041	American United Life Insu	July 2022 - Group # G0062	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (29.55)
Bill Pmt -	07/01/2022	12042	Crystal Springs		2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (21.75)
Check	07/01/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	07.01.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,391.63)
Bill Pmt -	07/01/2022	12043	United States Postal Serv	Stamps - Certifieds	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (256.22)
Bill Pmt -	07/05/2022	EFT	Sunoco Wex Bank	Closing Date June 23,2022	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (417.28)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	12044	Blue Ridge Communications		2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (221.85)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	12045	Lansford Coaldale Joint Water Authority		2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (180.00)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	12046	Verizon	July 22 - 570-669-6630 75	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (45.78)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	12047	Verizon Wireless	Acct # 842021582 - July 20;	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (29.36)
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	12048	Windstream	Acct. #021866821 - pumpin	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (39.81)
Check	07/15/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	07.15.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,712.08)
						\$ (10,345.31)

Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund

Bills to be Ratified

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Jun 23 - Jul 26 '22						
Bill Pmt -	07/15/2022	1739	Lansford-Coaldale Joint V 9 Fire Hydrants - Acct. # N-		20000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (94.50)
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Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14750	Amazon	Painters Tape	\$ (31.14)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14751	Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.	Professional Services - June 20	\$ (1,080.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14752	Corey Herring	uniform allowance	\$ (202.70)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14753	County of Carbon	Telecommunications /July 2022	\$ (627.94)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14754	H. A. Berkheimer, Inc.		\$ (432.17)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14755	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (83.65)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14756	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (14,558.56)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14757	J C Small Engine Repair	Service Lawn Tractor	\$ (298.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14758	Johnson Controls Security Solutions	01300114708853	\$ (595.09)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14759	Lowe's		\$ (340.76)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14760	Nesquehoning Water Authority	Borough Garage	\$ (75.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14761	New Enterprise Stone & Lime	Cold Patch	\$ (1,039.39)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14762	Office Depot	Paper:Copy Paper ,Folders:Ma	\$ (189.31)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14763	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - July 2022	\$ (145.52)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14764	Peter J. Radocha & Sons, Inc.	A/C water leak	\$ (105.50)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14765	Portnoff Law Associates, LTD.	July 2022 - (75) Notices of Delir	\$ (3,459.75)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14766	PPL		\$ (581.33)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14767	Quality Parts Co., Inc.		\$ (153.76)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14768	RoniSue Ahner	Gas payment for use of Persor	\$ (25.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14769	S & O Computers, LLC		\$ (915.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14770	Topp Business Solutions	2nd Qtr 2022 Copies - Borough	\$ (77.13)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14771	United Concordia	Acct. # 536 400 0940 D000 - At	\$ (668.85)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	14772	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 05.19.22 thru	\$ (1,056.00)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (26,741.55)</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Capital Projects Fund

Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	BCK 537	Custom Edges Lawn Care	Grass Cutting	\$ (1,525.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	BCK 538	Custom Edges Lawn Care	Grass Cutting at 100 E. Colum	\$ (250.00)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (250.00)</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund

Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1740	Department of Labor & Industry	Policy # 5998250 Installment 8	\$ (1,190.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1741	Green's Communications, Inc.		\$ (600.40)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1742	Hauto Volunteer Fire Company		\$ (9,500.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1743	Nesquehoning Hose Co. #1	2022 Annual Disbursement	\$ (2,500.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1744	Nesquehoning Water Department	FireHydrants	\$ (312.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1745	New Columbus Fire company	2022 Disbursement	\$ (2,500.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1746	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 6.16.2022 thru	\$ (385.00)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (16,987.40)</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sewer Construction Fund

Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1293	Arro Consulting, Inc.	Proj. #11233.12 West Columbu	\$ (1,793.00)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (1,793.00)</u>

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Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund

Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12049	ARRO Consulting, Inc.	Sanitary Sewer System Genera	\$ (90.75)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12050	Borough of Nesquehoning	Building Rent - July 2022	\$ (250.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12051	Commonwealth of PA	Facility # 479200 - 2022 Chapte	\$ (100.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12052	CWM Laboratories	Testing	\$ (920.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12053	Guers	Top soil	\$ (195.30)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12054	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (35.85)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12055	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (5,953.27)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12056	Martins Electrical Service	Dialer at Pumpstation -June 20;	\$ (90.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12057	Mike Nelson Consulting Services, LLC		\$ (595.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12058	Office Depot	Paper,Bill Envelopes,#10 Envel	\$ (85.75)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12059	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - July 2022	\$ (36.38)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12060	PPL		\$ (4,001.70)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12061	Robert Pilla	Clothing Allowance 2022	\$ (59.99)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12062	United Concordia	Acct # 5364000940 - August 20	\$ (286.65)
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	12063	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services 6.16.2022 thru	\$ (33.00)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (12,733.64)</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund

Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	6231	Tamaqua Transfer & Recycling, Inc.	July 2022 - Acct# 531	\$ (35,870.12)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (35,870.12)</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund

Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1605	PPL		\$ (194.10)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (194.10)</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Highway Fund

Monthly Expenditures

July 27, 2022

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
July 27, 2022					
Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2022	1540	PPL	LED Street. Lights	\$ (4,593.43)
July 27, 2022					<u>\$ (4,593.43)</u>

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Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund

Deposit Detail

As of June 18, 2022

	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22	Deposit	06/20/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 1,227.47
	Deposit	06/20/2022	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 631.19
	Deposit	06/22/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Real Estate Taxes - Delinquent	\$ 1,368.45
	Deposit	06/22/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 3,495.79
	Deposit	06/24/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,541.00
	Deposit	06/29/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 3,876.99
	Deposit	06/29/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 161.24
	Deposit	06/30/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,752.57
	Deposit	06/30/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 41.70
	Deposit	07/01/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,460.55
	Deposit	07/05/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 686.61
	Deposit	07/05/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 1,231.74
	Deposit	07/05/2022	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 10.84
	Deposit	07/05/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 1,794.74
	Deposit	07/06/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Real Estate Taxes - Delinquent	\$ 1,223.12
	Deposit	07/06/2022	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 1,003.14
	Deposit	07/08/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 435.34
	Deposit	07/14/2022	Deposit	403.110 · Tax Collection	\$ 396.42
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22					<u>\$ 28,338.90</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund

Deposit Detail

As of June 18, 2022

	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22	Deposit	06/22/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 278.00
	Deposit	06/22/2022	Deposit	201.000 · Fire Escrow Payable	\$ 19,490.80
	Deposit	06/30/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 20.95
	Deposit	07/01/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Fire	\$ 555.06
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22					<u>\$ 20,344.81</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund

Deposit Detail

As of June 18, 2022

	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22	Deposit	06/30/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Income	\$ 6.88
	Deposit	07/13/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Recreatio	\$ 22.18
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22					<u>\$ 29.06</u>

Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund

Deposit Detail

As of June 18, 2022

	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22	Deposit	06/30/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 62.56
	Deposit	07/01/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 124.07
	Deposit	07/08/2022	Deposit	364.121 · Sewer User Charge	\$ 48,593.35
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22					<u>\$ 48,779.98</u>

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Deposit Detail

As of June 18, 2022

	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22	General Journal	06/20/2022	16326	-SPLIT-	\$ 8,084.50
	General Journal	06/20/2022	16327	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,939.00
	General Journal	06/21/2022	16328	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	06/21/2022	16329	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,998.50
	General Journal	06/22/2022	16332	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,152.00
	General Journal	06/23/2022	16331	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
	General Journal	06/23/2022	16334	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	06/23/2022	16336	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,986.00
	General Journal	06/24/2022	16335	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
	General Journal	06/24/2022	16337	-SPLIT-	\$ 252.00
	General Journal	06/24/2022	16340	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,954.50
	General Journal	06/26/2022	16338	-SPLIT-	\$ 540.00
	General Journal	06/27/2022	16339	-SPLIT-	\$ 246.00
	General Journal	06/27/2022	16341	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,935.00
	General Journal	06/28/2022	16342	-SPLIT-	\$ 180.00
	General Journal	06/28/2022	16343	-SPLIT-	\$ 7,712.50
	General Journal	06/29/2022	16344	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,236.00
	General Journal	06/29/2022	16346	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,478.00
	General Journal	06/30/2022	16345	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	06/30/2022	16348	-SPLIT-	\$ 492.00
	General Journal	06/30/2022	16349	-SPLIT-	\$ 546.00
	General Journal	06/30/2022	16350	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,678.75
	Deposit	06/30/2022	Interest	340.100 Interest Earnings	\$ 13.15
	General Journal	07/01/2022	16354	-SPLIT-	\$ 389.50
	General Journal	07/01/2022	16360	-SPLIT-	\$ 534.50
	General Journal	07/01/2022	16365	-SPLIT-	\$ 4,316.50
	General Journal	07/02/2022	16361	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	07/03/2022	16362	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
	General Journal	07/04/2022	16363	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
	General Journal	07/05/2022	16364	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	07/05/2022	16368	-SPLIT-	\$ 126.00
	General Journal	07/05/2022	16369	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,332.00
	General Journal	07/06/2022	16371	-SPLIT-	\$ 192.00
	General Journal	07/06/2022	16372	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,648.44
	General Journal	07/07/2022	16373	-SPLIT-	\$ 649.50
	General Journal	07/07/2022	16375	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,935.00
	General Journal	07/08/2022	16374	-SPLIT-	\$ 192.00
	General Journal	07/08/2022	16376	-SPLIT-	\$ 912.00
	General Journal	07/08/2022	16379	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,648.00
	General Journal	07/09/2022	16377	-SPLIT-	\$ 948.00
Jun 19 - Jul 16 '22	General Journal	07/10/2022	16378	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	07/11/2022	16381	-SPLIT-	\$ 247.50
	General Journal	07/11/2022	16382	-SPLIT-	\$ 8,660.25
	General Journal	07/12/2022	16384	-SPLIT-	\$ 318.00
	General Journal	07/12/2022	16385	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,121.50
	General Journal	07/13/2022	16386	-SPLIT-	\$ (248.00)
	General Journal	07/13/2022	16389	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,647.00
	General Journal	07/14/2022	16388	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	07/14/2022	16390	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
	General Journal	07/14/2022	16391	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,158.00
	General Journal	07/15/2022	16392	-SPLIT-	\$ 372.00
	General Journal	07/15/2022	16394	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,327.00
	General Journal	07/16/2022	16393	-SPLIT-	\$ 192.00
					\$ 90,002.59

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Councilman Paul 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.

<u>PURCHASE ORDERS:</u>					
6/23/2022	11031	toilet for apartment approved by Bruce	Lowes	Bob	GF
6/24/2022	11032	Painters tape / bandages	Amazon	Nick	GF
6/28/2022	11033	Blue, yellow, Black ,Cyan ink for Office Printer	Office Depot	Shawn	SOM
6/30/2022	11034	paint & paint brushes per Louie -drill tips	True Value	Andy	Highway
6/30/2022	11035	top soil & grass seed approved by Mary Fox	Guers	Bob	SOM
7/1/2022	11036	Tape to repost on high and ridge paving signs for 7/5	True Value	Andy	Highway
7/6/2022	11037	Def fluid - approved by mayor	Quality	Nick	Highway
7/7/2022	11038	Time cards	Office Depot	Susan	Office
7/11/2022	11039	stove for apartment upstairs	Lowes	Bob	GF
7/12/2022	11040	sign for Cogen road-per David Hawk	Bradco	Andy	Highway
7/13/2022	11041	pipe to fix rain spout -per Bruce Nalesnik	True Value	Nick	GF
7/13/2022	11042	Uniforms - Ear Hugger wire kit, Boots	Galls	Corey	Police
7/15/2022	11043	Class July 21, 2022	Mike Nelson	Bob	SOM
7/15/2022	11044	Class October 26,2022	Mike Nelson	Bob	SOM
7/18/2022	11045	6 in 1 screwdriver	True Value	Nick	Highway
7/18/2022	11046	blue ink to refill pads	Office Depot	Shawn	SOM

Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to approve all of the purchase orders. All voted yes. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

**LOUIE PAUL, CHAIRMAN; LOIS KUBA, CO-CHAIRWOMAN;
DAVID HAWK**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Guardiani seconded to add appointing a Chief of police and adopting the chief's contract to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.

• Appointing Chief of Police – Adopting Chief Contract

Councilman Paul stated that in April 2022, they hired Michael Weaver, who worked diligently with the veteran officer, Carl Breiner, to keep their shorthanded police department flowing. He stated how Officer Weaver was also instrumental in hiring Officer Corey Herring, who was also an asset to the community at that time. Councilman Paul stated that under letters of recommendations from police chiefs in the area, they had started to look at Officer Mike Weaver as their future chief. He stated that with being from Nesquehoning, Officer Weaver has earned the respect of the people of their town and the Council Members. Councilman Paul stated that they believe that Officer Weaver would bring integrity and progress to the Nesquehoning Police Department and that he will bring it up to its full potential to protect and serve the people of Nesquehoning. He stated how at that time, the Public Safety Committee along with the mayor recommend promoting Officer Michael weaver to the Nesquehoning's Chief of Police.

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Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to appoint Officer Michael Weaver as Nesquehoning's Chief effective August 1, 2022 and to adopt the 3+ year Chief Contract upon the satisfactory completion.

President Hawk stated how the Borough Council Members had previously met in Executive Session under personnel to review the contract.

All voted yes. Motion passed.

Officer Mike Weaver stated how he wanted to thank them for the opportunity and that he was eager to get started. He stated how Mayor Kattner was one of the most dedicated people that they could ever meet and on behalf of himself, Officer Breiner and Officer Herring, they wanted to present him with a wallet containing an honorary badge.

- Fire Department Summary Report – June 2022

President Hawk stated that there were 12 calls for the month of June 2022, which included 1 Motor vehicle accidents, 2 CO alarms, 2 Dwelling fires, 1 Structure fires, 1 Vehicle fire, 2 Brush fires, 1 EMS, 1 Rescue and 1 Tree. He stated that there were a total of 75 calls for 2022.

Councilman Paul stated how the Public Safety Committee would be meeting every month with the Police Chief, Mayor and the Fire Chiefs.

❖ **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- COG Minutes – May 2022
- VFW Post 8088 – Reminder of street closing on July 23, 2022

❖ **POLICE REPORT**

- July 2022 Police Report

Mayor Kattner read the breakdown of the police report which totaled \$1,306.45 of fine money that was received for June/July 2022.

- **Central Square Quote – Metro Alert Server Migration**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Heaney seconded to approve the Central Square quote to migrate the Metro Alert Service to the new server. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **USDA Grant Award**

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how the Borough was awarded the grant to the USDA for the purchase of a new vehicle; however, Kovatch did not have any in stock and would not be getting any additional police vehicles until 2023. She stated that she had talked to Officer Weaver and they could get a police vehicle, 2022 Police Interceptor Utility AWD for \$35,875.00 from New Holland Motors, which would then be outfitted by Kovatch at a cost of \$16,127.79. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that the original quote for the vehicle through Kovatch was \$51,287.00. She stated they were getting \$28,200.00 from the USDA Grant and the remainder the paid out of the LSA police grant.

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Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to approve the UDSA Grant documents; the communities facility grant agreement, the request for obligation of funds, and the letter of intent to meet conditions; and to also approve the purchase and the upfit of the police vehicle.

Councilman Nalesnik asked about the time line for the vehicle. Officer Weaver stated that once all of the paperwork was signed and submitted the vehicle would be delivered to Kovatch for the upfit and detailing.

All voted yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Kattner stated about purchasing the Datapilot Software and how Officer Herring would get the certified training.

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Paul seconded to add to the agenda the Datapilot Software training. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Datapilot Software Certified Training**

Councilman Paul asked what the cost was for the training software. Mayor Kattner stated how it was \$1,295.00. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner asked Officer Weaver if both of them (him and Officer Herring) were going to get certified training with the Datapilot software. Officer Weaver stated how Officer Herring was going to get the certification and then he would be able to train all of the other officers on how to use the program. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that before they send any payment they need to check, because she thought that the Borough had already paid for that certification. Councilman Nalesnik stated how that was for Officer Neikam. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they paid the fee in 2022 for Officer Weaver to get certified prior to Rosemary Porembo leaving Council.

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Paul seconded to purchase the Datapilot Software Certified Training provided that the Borough did not already purchase the training. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Paul seconded to add to the agenda the change in status for Officer Breiner. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Officer Breiner's change of status**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to change Officer Breiner's status from officer in charge to patrol officer effective August 1, 2022. All voted yes. Motion passed.

❖ **CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

No report.

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

- Gene Kennedy – Zoning Report – June 2022
- Chip Stalega, BIA – Elk Lighting 12 Willow Lane
- Chip Stalega, BIA – Old Theater – Secure building
- DEP – Bio-Med Public Meeting – August 24th @ 5:00 p.m.

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❖ **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

- **Recommendation – Address for approval**
 - **20 Public Safety Lane (Main Entrance)**
 - **89 Public Safety Lane (Police Training Building)**
 - **122 Public Safety Lane (Burn Building)**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Heaney seconded to approve the addresses for the Main Entrance, 20 Public Safety Lane; Police Training Building, 89 Public Safety Lane and Burn Building, 122 Public Safety Lane. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Reading & Northern Railroad address – 1 Iron Horse Way**

John McArdle stated how Jolene Busher was in attendance at the meeting in regards to the address for the Railroad for the newly purchased (KME) property. He stated how he did not have a problem with naming the street “One Iron Horse Way”, but the buildings would still have to be numbered. Jolene Busher stated how they were still in the very early stages on what their plans were going to be for the facilities, which they had just acquired. She stated that they were still figuring out which buildings were going to be assigned for what purposes when figuring out the building numbers. Ms. Busher stated how they wanted to receive mail at the KME Sales building, which was why they were looking to just have the mail sent to One Iron Horse Way. She stated that she did not know if they needed to come up with numbers right away. Mr. McArdle asked if the inspection building, located at the far end of the property was included in the sale. Ms. Busher stated how that was part of the parcel of property that they purchased. Mr. McArdle stated that if they were going to have the inspection building that should be considered number one. He stated that if they wanted the mailing address of One Iron Horse Way like they had One Industrial Complex, they could get into the numbering at a later time.

Mr. McArdle stated how the buildings also had Knox Boxes on them and asked if they were going to remain. Ms. Busher stated that she did not know. Mr. McArdle stated that if they had re-keyed the doors to the buildings, the fire department would need to replace the keys in the Knox Boxes. Solicitor Yurchak asked if they needed to make the change that night. Mr. McArdle stated how he felt that the main thing was to get the name out. He stated that he could come back to Council with the building numbers. Solicitor Yurchak stated how it seemed to be too many questions. President Hawk stated how they could come back to see which buildings would receive actual numbers, but for a mailing address, he did not see why they could not just use One Iron Horse Way. He stated how they would have to have an agreement with the post office as to where they would deliver the mail. Mr. McArdle stated how the Borough would have to notify the post office of the mailing address. President Hawk stated how the buildings would need to follow a numbering for EMS.

Councilman Nalesnik stated about having One Iron Horse Way for the whole complex and then number the buildings accordingly. Councilwoman Heaney asked if that was how KME had the property; mailing address as One Industrial Complex with building #1, building #2, etc. Mr. McArdle stated that for the 911 purpose, they assign them a 911 address. He stated how there was a formula that was used to number the buildings, which would allow for expansion of other buildings. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how she would notify the post office that the street address will be Iron Horse Way, with the building numbers to follow at a later time. Ms. Busher asked if they could just go with the One Iron Horse Way. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner asked if they had to pass an ordinance to name the street Iron Horse Way. Mr. McArdle stated how that was what they did in the past.

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Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to approve the street name Iron Horse Way for the street in front of the old KME facility buildings. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Kuba moved and Councilman Paul seconded to authorize Solicitor Yurchak to draft an amendment to the street ordinance to include the naming of the area in front of the old KME facilities as Iron Horse Way. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- Training Center Dedication/9-11 Memorial

Mr. McArdle stated how the Nesquehoning Hose Company would be participating in the Jim Thorpe's National Night Out, which would be held on August 2, 2022 from 5:45 pm – 8:00 p.m. He stated how they will also be participating in the dedication service at the new training complex, which was being held on September 11, 2022 from 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Heaney moved and Councilman Paul seconded to approve the Nesquehoning Hose Company's participation in the National Night Out event and the New Training Complex dedication. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Guardiani moved and Councilwoman Heaney seconded to accept the Public Safety Committee Report, which includes the Mayor Report, Police Report, Civil Service Report, Housing & Code Report and Emergency Management Report. All voted yes. Motion passed.

2. STREETS

**LOUIE PAUL, CHAIRMAN; BRUCE NALESNIK, CO-CHAIRMAN;
FRAN HEANEY**

- Paving of High Street, Ridge Street and Davinci Avenue

Councilman Paul stated how he wanted to give former Councilwoman Rosemary Porembo credit for budgeting over \$155,000.00 to pave the streets. He stated that the cost for the 2022 Road Project came in at approximately \$125,000.00, which was to pave four streets. Councilman Paul stated how Bill McMullen from Arro Engineering was excellent with the project. He stated how they had some leftover material, which they used to overlay half of Ratcliff Street.

Councilman Paul stated that under the CDBG, they would probably do a total reconstruction on the second block of E. Diaz Avenue in the future. He stated how the first block of E. Diaz Avenue was a mill and fill with the CDBG funding from the County. Councilman Paul stated that if they had a street that needed a total reconstruction, they would apply for a grant instead of taking the funding from their General Fund. He stated that whereas, if they were just going to do a mill and fill on a street, they would use the funding from their General Fund. Councilman Paul gave them an example as to what it cost them for Willow Lane. Councilwoman Fox stated how they had received a grant for sewer and storm drain lines, so the road had to be completely dug up. She stated how the Sewer Department had paid for half of that paving as well, because they dug up the street for the sewer line.

Councilman Paul stated how Mussmano Avenue was on the list for next year. He stated how they will be paving W. Columbus Avenue since they were digging up the road to install new sewer line and if they would have enough money next year, he would like to pave (mill & fill) all of Columbus Avenue.

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Councilwoman Guardiani stated that she did not know if the quality of a mill and fill would last as long as a total reconstruction. She stated how she wanted to make sure that they were getting a quality bang for their buck. Councilman Paul stated how the roads would out live them.

3. SEWER

**MARY FOX, CHAIRWOMAN; BRUCE NALESNICK, CO-CHAIRMAN;
FRAN HEANEY**

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

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to approve the June 2022 Sewer/Sanitation Adjustments. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Approve attendance for Bob Pilla – Training Class**

- **July 21, 2022 - Securing Water & Wastewater Treatment**
- **August 11, 2022 - DEP/PA 811**
- **October 26, 2022 – Basic of Instrumentation & Process Control**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilwoman Kuba seconded to approve Mr. Pilla's training classes, which were required to maintain his license. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **W. Columbus Avenue – Estimate – Peter Radocha & Sons**

Councilwoman Fox stated how the Sewer Committee met with the engineer on July 6th to discuss a few issues. She stated how they were going to start on the sewer line replacement on W. Columbus Avenue on either August 8th or the 15th. Councilwoman Fox stated how Radocha would be doing the project with the help of the Borough workers. She stated how the contractor's cost was \$9,300.00, which included an excavator with an operator and a laborer. Councilwoman Fox stated that once it was complete, they will be packing the stone and covering it with an asphalt base. She stated how the paving of the street will not be done until the spring, which will give it time to settle. Councilwoman Fox stated how the Borough was supplying all of the material (stone and pipe).

Councilwoman Fox stated how Mr. Pilla had received a quote of \$8,850.00 for smoke testing at the east end of New Columbus. She stated how they will discuss it further at their workshop.

Councilwoman Fox stated how the air conditioner failed at the Sewer plant. She stated how they had received quotes, but rather than have the furnace replaced, which was installed when the plant was built, they had discussed installing a heap pump. Councilwoman Fox stated how they will be receiving three quotes; A & W, Radocha and Kresge.

Councilwoman Fox stated how the letters were sent to the five property owners on Railroad Street, because they were having a sewer issue.

Councilwoman Fox stated about the letters that Solicitor Yurchak was sending to the Smith's in regards to the sewer line off of Industrial Road, which they were not going to go through with the project. She stated that if they were within 150 feet of a sewer line, they had to hook onto the sewer system. Councilwoman Fox stated how they were going to run a main line down to the Smith's property for them to hook into, but they have run into several problems. She stated that the engineer suggested that they give them the option to replace their failing septic system or run a line up Route 54 with getting the easements and installing a grinder pump.

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**4. BUILDINGS
& GROUNDS**

**BRUCE NALESNIK, CHAIRMAN; LOUIE PAUL, CO- CHAIRMAN;
ABBIE GUARDIANI**

- Letter of Interest of Renting Borough Apartment – Aaron Abrams
- Appraisal of the Borough property (Park) on Mill Street.
- Appraisal of the Borough garage

Councilman Nalesnik stated how the work was continuing with the apartment above the Borough office to make it habitable.

Councilman Nalesnik moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to add the flooring for the apartment to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Apartment flooring**

Councilman Nalesnik moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to approve the first installment payment for the flooring in the apartment. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilman Nalesnik stated how the sign has been completed for the Johnson & Jacobs Memorial Park.

**5. SANITATION
& QUALITY LIFE**

**ABBIE GUARDIANI, CHAIRWOMAN; LOIS KUBA, CO- CHAIR-
WOMAN; MARY FOX**

Councilwoman Guardiani stated how they had added the Quality of Life to the Sanitation report, because she had attended meetings in regards to Blight. She stated that she was very interested in the Quality of Life in the town. Councilwoman Guardiani stated how she will be adding Blight Committee items under the Quality of Life. She stated how the Blight Committee was formed as she had attempted to get a building toward down, which Council did. Councilwoman Guardiani stated how it does take some time and it does take some work and that sometimes the wheels move painfully slow, but they have to stick with it.

- June 2022 Tamaqua Transfer Tonnage Report
- **Letter of Interest Blight Committee – Paul Kattner**
- **Letter of Interest Blight Committee – June Lawton**

Councilwoman Guardiani moved and Councilman Paul seconded to appoint Paul Kattner and June Lawton as resident members to the Blight Committee. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Guardiani stated how the first thing that they had to do was to write a Blight Plan and they needed the committees input, which will then need to be adopted by the Council members. She stated how there needed to be a strategy on how they were going to address Blight and that it would take some time, but they were going nowhere without it. Councilwoman Guardiani stated how they would be trying to prevent, remediate and repurpose blighted properties in the town. She stated how they would be looking for grant money.

President Hawk stated how they have the electronic recycling event coming up in September.

Councilwoman Guardiani stated how she was still recycling and it was her plan to try and get recycling back into Nesquehoning.

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6. RECREATION

**LOIS KUBA, CHAIRWOMAN; MARY FOX, CO-CHAIRWOMAN;
DAVID HAWK**

- Dimmick Memorial Library – Summer Reading Events

Councilwoman Kuba stated that the Dimmick Memorial Library had a lot of events going on that Summer for the kids. She stated how Councilwoman Heaney was the Borough's liaison for the library. Councilwoman Kuba stated how people should check out their Face Book page; movie night, guess speakers, reading events, etc. Councilwoman Heaney stated how there were things for the teens and tweens as well. Councilwoman Kuba stated how they had also started a job search at the library.

Councilwoman Kuba stated how the Recreation Commission meeting was scheduled for August 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center. She stated how the Recreation Commission was holding a community yard sale on August 13th & 14th. Councilwoman Kuba stated how maps were being provided at the Recreation Center, which would be marked for the locations of the yard sales of the residents who registered with the commission.

Councilwoman Kuba moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to add the Nesquehoning Hometown Heroes donation to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Nesquehoning Hometown Heroes donation request**

Councilwoman Kuba stated how they had started a campaign to have a flag at each banner. She stated how they had sent out letter to businesses, advertised on Face Book and other forms requesting donations. Councilwoman Kuba stated how they have approximately 180 banners but not all of them have a flag, which were put up by the Borough on holidays. She stated how the most expensive item was the hardware for the flags.

Councilwoman Kuba moved and Councilwoman Guardiani seconded to donate \$500.00 to the Nesquehoning Hometown Heroes to purchase flags. All voted yes. Motion passed.

7. BUDGET/FINANCE

FRAN HEANEY, CHAIRWOMAN; ABBIE GUARDIANI, CO-CHAIRWOMAN; DAVID HAWK

- PSAB Update – Status of 2nd ARPA Distribution.
- 2023 Budget For Emergency Management

No report.

**8. PERSONNEL/
SAFETY**

**MARY FOX, CHAIRWOMAN; BRUCE NALESNIK, CO-CHAIRMAN;
FRAN HEANEY**

- **Water Authority Appointment**
 - **Michael Lopata - Letter of interest for open seat on Water Authority Board.**
 - **Joe Pilla – Letter of interest for open seat on Water Authority Board.**
 - **John P. Arner – Letter of interest for open seat on Water Authority Board.**
 - **Frank A Shubeck – Letter of interest for open seat on Water Authority**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Nalesnik seconded to appoint Joe Pilla to the Nesquehoning Water Authority for the unexpired term of Gary Poremba.

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Councilwoman Guardiani stated how it was awesome on how the community wants to be involved. She stated how the people who sent in their letters of interest were amazing, quality individuals. Councilwoman Guardiani stated how it was a shame that they had to choose one person. She stated how she hoped that the individuals who were not chosen would not take their bats and balls and go home. Councilwoman Guardiani stated how there were other committees, Planning, Zoning, Recreation, Blight; who were still looking for volunteers. She stated how a vote for one person was not a vote against another person.

All voted yes except President Hawk who was not voting due to his involvement with the Water Authority. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fox stated how they will have a personnel meeting coming up soon, because they will have to start looking at the health care for next year.

Solicitor Yurchak stated that with moving Officer Weaver up to the Chief's position, they will have another opening on the police force. President Hawk stated that the Public Safety Committee and the Mayor will work on the initial applications.

Councilwoman Kuba moved and Councilman Paul seconded to accept all committee reports. All voted yes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Nalesnik stated how he received an email that the Borough was denied for the CDBG for next year. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they had just received that email. She stated how it seems like they get awarded the CDBG every other year.

Councilwoman Fox stated that someone from the Meed's Church had come up with an idea of having a small carnival in the parking lot on Sunday, August 28th from 12:30 – 4:00 p.m. She stated how they were looking for permission to use the Borough's parking lot. Solicitor Yurchak stated how they should produce their insurance or sign a hold harmless agreement.

Councilwoman Fox moved and President Hawk seconded to add the Meed's Church request to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.

- **Meed's Church request to utilize the Borough's parking lot.**

Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Nalesnik seconded to approve the use of the Borough parking lot for Meed's carnival on August 28th contingent on the insurance/hold harmless agreement. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fox asked if someone would give an explanation as to why they have to make motions to add items to the agenda. Solicitor Yurchak stated that the open meeting law, which was amended about a year ago, requiring Boroughs and all municipal bodies to put their agendas on their website 24 hours before the meeting. He stated that if items were not on the agenda, they had to add it to the agenda. He stated how it was a means of being transparent with the public.

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OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

RoniSue Ahner
Secretary/Treasurer