

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL  
Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., Borough Office  
114 W. Catawissa Street, Nesquehoning, PA 18240

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

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

Councilwoman Poremba and Councilman Radocha were absent.

President Hawk stated how they would be having an executive session at the end of the meeting for personnel matters.

• **Michael Radocha, Sr.'s resignation from Borough Council**  
**Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to accept Michael Radocha, Sr.'s resignation from Borough Council. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

President Hawk stated how the Borough would be accepting letters of interest to fill the vacant seat on Council.

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

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

**HEARING OF VISITORS**

Mike Malaska – 112 W. Diaz Avenue – asked about getting the light fixed on the side of the building.

Mr. Malaska stated how people were going around the concrete barrier with pick-up trucks at the end of W. Diaz Avenue. He stated how there were trucks and jeeps going through there at 2 – 3 o'clock in the morning. President Hawk stated how he had also received some complaints about the upper entrance, which had been widened to a point where vehicles could get through. Mayor Kattner stated how they were having the same problem at the mining property, heading towards Lansford. He stated how he was going to get them to fill it in with some big stones.

**PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

No report.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

No report.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

No report.

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**JIM THORPE NEIGHBORHOOD BANK TREASURER'S REPORT**

**GENERAL FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	111,231.90
Receipts	83,060.19
Expenditures	105,390.30
Balance 02.28.22	88,901.79

**SANITATION FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	222,675.99
Receipts	116,534.69
Sewer	0.00
Expenditures	38,224.79
Balance 02.28.22	300,985.89

**SPORTS COMPLEX FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	75,180.15
Receipts	66.58
Expenditures	1,022.75
Balance 02.28.22	74,223.98

**COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

Balance 01.31.22	7,995.90
Receipts	275.63
Expenditure	0.00
Balance 02.28.22	8,271.53

**\*ROAD CONSTRUCTION**

Balance 01.31.22	155,387.25
Receipts	38.31
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 02.28.22	155,425.56

**FIRE TRUCK FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	186,414.02
Receipts	535.64
Expenditures	6,612.36
Balance 02.28.22	180,337.30

**SEWER OPERATING & MAINTENANCE**

Balance 01.31.22	612,284.75
Receipts	169.13
Expenditures	36,432.34
Balance 02.28.22	576,021.54

**HIGHWAY FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	176,665.61
Receipt	12.64
Expenditures	16,886.64
Balance 02.28.22	159,791.61

**POLICE PENSION FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	2,683,783.87
Receipt	2,866.88
Expenditures	-6,639.51
Appreciation/Depreciation	- 50,322.32
Balance 02.28.22	2,629,688.92

**\*NESQUEHONING LION CLUB**

Balance 01.31.22	10,199.42
Receipts	0.78
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 02.28.22	10,200.20

**HOME FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	25,207.31
Receipts	6,423.86
Expenditures	0.00
Balance 02.28.22	31,633.31

**GENERAL SEWER CONT FUND**

Balance 01.31.22	243,553.71
Receipts	18.68
Expenditures	1,121.50
Balance 02.28.22	242,450.89

**\*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**

FUND	CURRENT VALUE 02.28.22	INTEREST 01.28.22	OPENING DATE	CURRENT RATE	RENEWAL DATE	BANK
GEN. SEWER	\$418,648.71	\$ 213.23	08-28-17	0.60%	08-26-23	JTNB
SANITATION	\$ 22,848.00	\$ 9.64	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
CAPITAL PROJ	\$ 11,198.82	\$ 4.72	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 10,941.38	\$ 4.61	06-29-17	0.55%	06-28-23	JTNB
SEWER	\$360,280.43	\$ 386.02	03-03-20	1.45%	03-03-22	JTNB
SEWER	\$514,686.31	\$ 551.46	03-03-20	1.45%	03-03-22	JTNB

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report and the CD Report.**

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they renewed the two Sewer CDs at 0.85% for two years.

**All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:**

No report.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**1. 02.22.2022 District Attorney of Carbon County – Regionalization Police Force**

Solicitor Yurchak stated how he had talked to Michael Greek and he wanted to meet with the Borough Council in regards to the regionalization of the police. President Hawk stated about meeting with him a half hour before the workshop meeting next month.

2. 02.22.2022 Core & Main – Diversified software program

3. 03.02.2022 ET&T – Communication needs

4. 03.07.2022 Tee Off For Kids – Golf Outing 02.22.22

5. 03.07.2022 Carbon County Broadband Study

**6. 03.17.2022 Request for No Parking for Meeds Church on 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of Every month.**

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they had posted the no parking signs for the food pantry to allow a drive thru pick-up during COVID. She stated how they did not have a problem posting the signs.

**Councilman Jacobs moved and President Hawk seconded to allow the no parking for the Food Pantry for Meed's Church on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

7. 03.18.2022 Blue Ridge Communications

**8. 03.20.2022 Letter of request to improve conditions of Hauto Fire Co. (Yard street Park)**

Councilwoman Fox stated how she was going to discuss the Playground under the Recreation Committee report.

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**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to approve all communications and to place them on file. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

**PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST**

2/24/2022	10983	hydraulic fluid/International	Quality Parts	Nick
2/24/2022	10984	Muffler Cap	Quality Parts	Nick
3/2/2022	10985	24" - 180' Coragated drain pipe - smooth inside (Industrial Road)	Fry's Plastic	Bob
3/10/2022	10986	Muffler clamps - F750	NAPA - Tamaqua	Nick
3/11/2022	10987	M. Weaver Uniforms	Starr Scranton	Mike
3/18/2022	10988	spray bottle for degreaser	True Value	Nick
3/18/2022	10989	Safety Vest - Pookie	Amazon	Council
3/18/2022	10990	white paint	Ennis	RoniSue
3/21/2022	10991	self tapping screws for no parking signs on bridge /Mayor requested them to be hung	True Value	Andy
3/21/2022	10992	Lehighton ford / fuel tank for truck approved by Frank	Lehighton Ford	Nick

**Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to approve all of the purchase orders.**

Councilwoman Fox asked if the 24" pipe was the pipe for Industrial Road that the Railroad did not want to use. Councilman Jacobs stated how they would discuss that under the Street Committee report.

**All voted yes. Motion passed.**

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

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to deposit all receipts, approve all bills to be ratified and pay all other bills.**

Councilman Paul asked about check # 14579; Carbon Engineering. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that she shorted the bill payment last month.

**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 March 22, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
<b>Feb 24 - Mar 22 '22</b>						
Bill Pmt -	02/25/2022	14575	Sean Smith	Pay period - February 6 - 1	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (3,115.20)
Bill Pmt -	02/25/2022	14576	Timothy Wuttke	Pay period - February 6 - 1	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (2,686.40)
Check	02/25/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	02.25.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (14,446.52)
Bill Pmt -	03/01/2022	14577	U.S. Postal Service	Stamps-Certifieds	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (116.00)
Bill Pmt -	03/09/2022	EFT	Fleet Services	Acct. 0496-00-343234-1 - F	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (87.73)
Bill Pmt -	03/09/2022	EFT	Sunoco Wex Bank	Acct. # 0496-00-653100-8 -	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (434.77)
Check	03/09/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	03.11.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (14,622.17)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14578	Blue Ridge Communications		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (173.54)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14579	Carbon Engineering, Inc.	Diaz Ave. 2021 CDBG Stre	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (1,162.50)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14580	Robert Sabol	Reimbursement - For ticket	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (50.00)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14581	S & O Computers, LLC		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (7,304.65)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14582	Sean Smith	Pay period - February 20 - 1	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (3,115.20)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14583	Timothy Wuttke	Pay period - February 20 - 1	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (2,686.40)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14584	U.S. Postal Service	Stamps For Post Cards	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (50.00)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14585	Windstream	Garage - 021866821 Febru	200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (40.03)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14586	PA State Association of B	Renewal Fee - 2022 - CDL	· 200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (75.00)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	14587	Nesquehoning True Value		200.00 · Accounts Payable	\$ (29.97)
<b>Feb 24 - Mar 22 '22</b>						<b>\$ (50,196.08)</b>

### Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund

#### Bills to be Ratified

As of March 22, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
<b>Feb 24 - Mar 22 '22</b>						
Bill Pmt -	02/25/2022	11947	DRBC/Renewal		2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (541.00)
Bill Pmt -	03/01/2022	11948	United States Postal Serv	Stamps - Certifieds	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (226.70)
Bill Pmt -	03/09/2022	EFT	Sunoco Wex Bank	Closing Date Feb 23, 2022	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (246.83)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	11949	Blue Ridge Communications		2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (219.01)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	11950	S & O Computers, LLC	2nd Qrt 2022	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (821.25)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	11951	Verizon	Mar 22 - 570-669-6630 751	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (45.58)
Bill Pmt -	03/11/2022	11952	Windstream	Acct. #021866821 - pumpin	2000 · Accounts Payable	\$ (40.03)
Check	03/11/2022	EFT	Payroll Fund	03.11.2022 payroll	-SPLIT-	\$ (4,461.97)
Check	03/14/2022	EFT	Sewer Construction Fund	Transfer Funds	492.004 · Transfer to Sewer Constr	\$ (50,000.00)
<b>Feb 24 - Mar 22 '22</b>						<b>\$ (56,602.37)</b>

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## Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund Monthly Expenditures

March 23, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14588	Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.	Professional Services - Februar	\$ (138.46)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14589	Carbon County Clerk of Courts	Tax Collector Petition - 2022	\$ (88.55)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14590	Central Square Technologies	Visual Alert 2022	\$ (1,798.18)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14591	County of Carbon	Telecommunications /March 20	\$ (627.94)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14592	H. A. Berkheimer, Inc.		\$ (1,243.96)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14593	Heller's Gas		\$ (1,970.06)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14594	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (71.70)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14595	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (13,664.15)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14596	HWA GROUP INC	Northstar Hot water gas pressu	\$ (636.30)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14597	Kovatch Ford	Remove Police Equipment & re	\$ (635.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14598	Lehigh Asphalt & Construction Company	2A Modified	\$ (403.01)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14599	Marouchoc's Auto Repair	State Inspection	\$ (193.80)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14600	Nesquehoning Boro Auth	snow plowing	\$ (130.68)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14601	Nesquehoning Water Authority	Borough Garage	\$ (144.16)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14602	Nicholas Degiglio	Clothing (Uniform )	\$ (59.91)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14603	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - March 18, 202	\$ (145.52)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14604	Petty Cash	Code and Police Postage	\$ (29.73)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14605	PPL		\$ (725.67)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14606	Priya Foods, 121	Diesel/Gas Borough	\$ (371.17)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14607	Quality Parts Co., Inc.	Socket	\$ (7.75)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14608	Robert T. Yurchak		\$ (1,894.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14609	RoniSue Ahner	Gas payment for use of Persor	\$ (25.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14610	Secure Watch 24, LLC	Nesquehoning Police Dept - Sy	\$ (160.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14611	Starr Uniform Center		\$ (994.81)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14612	Topp Business Solutions	Copies	\$ (51.75)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14613	United Concordia	Acct. # 536 400 0940 D000 -Ap	\$ (573.30)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14614	Verizon Wireless	Acct. # 842021582-00001 - Mar	\$ (366.56)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14615	Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC	2022 ARP Services	\$ (5,500.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	14616	Office Depot		\$ (137.27)
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (32,788.39)</b>

## Borough of Nesquehoning - Highway Fund Monthly Expenditures

March 23, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1536	PPL	LED Street. Lights	\$ (4,706.61)
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (4,706.61)</b>

## Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund Monthly Expenditures

March 23, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1721	Department of Labor & Industry	Policy # 5998250 Installment 4	\$ (1,190.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1722	Hauto Volunteer Fire Company	Reimbursement Radio	\$ (5,000.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1723	John P. McArdle	Reimbursment on postage for c	\$ (8.16)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1724	Nesquehoning Hose Co. #1	2022 Vehicle Ins.	\$ (8,981.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1725	Nesquehoning Water Department	FireHydrants	\$ (312.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1726	New Columbus Fire company	Policy # VFNU-TR-0003248-02	\$ (3,858.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1727	Robert T. Yurchak	Legal Services - 2-17-22 thro	\$ (110.00)
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (19,459.16)</b>

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**Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**March 23, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11953	A&W Plumbing	Sewer Main W Ridge	\$ (540.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11954	Borough of Nesquehoning	Building Rent - March 2022	\$ (250.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11955	CWM Laboratories	Testing	\$ (748.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11956	Delaware River Basin Commission	Docket Number - D-1990-107 C	\$ (660.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11957	Environmental Service Corp.	Sludge Removal	\$ (5,336.15)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11958	Highmark Blue Shield	2206010001	\$ (35.85)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11959	Highmark Group Medical Insurance	2206010001	\$ (5,953.27)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11960	Johnson Controls Security Solutions	Recurring Service Acct# 01300	\$ (150.68)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11961	Martins Electrical Service	Dialer at Pumpstation - Februar	\$ (90.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11962	Office Depot		\$ (57.80)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11963	PenTeleData	Acct. # 143883 - March 2022	\$ (36.38)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11964	Petty Cash	Postage - Petty Cash	\$ (16.05)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11965	PPL		\$ (5,161.24)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11966	Quality Parts Co., Inc.	Wiper Blades	\$ (28.12)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11967	SNG Service Center	Ford F 250XL19 Plate# MG-71	\$ (65.47)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11968	State Workers' Insurance Fund	Installment: 8 of 11	\$ (4,146.00)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11969	United Concordia	Acct # 5364000940 - April 2022	\$ (286.65)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11970	Verizon Wireless	Wireless Phone	\$ (57.32)
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	11971	Water-Mechanics	Contract consultation March 20	\$ (650.00)
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (24,268.98)</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**March 23, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	6226	Tamaqua Transfer & Recycling, Inc.	March 2022 - Acct# 531	\$ (35,870.12)
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (35,870.12)</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund**

**Monthly Expenditures**

**March 23, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					
Bill Pmt -Check	03/23/2022	1594	PPL		\$ (291.18)
<b>March 23, 2022</b>					<b>\$ (291.18)</b>

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**Borough of Nesquehoning - General Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of March 19, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				
Deposit	02/21/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 6,755.71
Deposit	02/23/2022	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 1,537.28
Deposit	02/23/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 7,731.68
Deposit	02/24/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,534.88
Deposit	02/24/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,133.91
Deposit	02/28/2022	Deposit	310.512 · Local Service Tax	\$ 7,739.92
Deposit	02/28/2022	Deposit	310.210 · Earned Income Tax	\$ 7,480.58
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 7.85
Deposit	03/03/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 13,779.62
Deposit	03/03/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,329.93
Deposit	03/11/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,144.13
Deposit	03/11/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,078.83
Deposit	03/17/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 592.51
Deposit	03/17/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,652.28
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				<b>\$ 56,499.11</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Fire Truck Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of March 19, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				
Deposit	02/24/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Fire	\$ 122.38
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 13.84
Deposit	03/15/2022	Deposit	331.120 · Violation Fines	\$ 50.00
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				<b>\$ 186.22</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - Sports Complex Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of March 19, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				
Deposit	02/24/2022	Deposit	301.400 · Delinquent Property - Recreatio	\$ 23.15
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Income	\$ 5.70
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				<b>\$ 28.85</b>

**Borough of Nesquehoning - SOM Fund**

**Deposit Detail**

**As of March 19, 2022**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				
Deposit	02/25/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 124.07
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	340.100 · Interest Earnings	\$ 45.06
Deposit	03/03/2022	Deposit	-SPLIT-	\$ 124.07
Deposit	03/14/2022	Deposit	364.121 · Sewer User Charge	\$ 66,682.12
<b>Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22</b>				<b>\$ 66,975.32</b>



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## BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

### Borough of Nesquehoning - Sanitation Fund

#### Deposit Detail

As of March 19, 2022

Type	Date	Memo	Split	Amount
Feb 20 - Mar 19 '22				
General Journal	02/20/2022	16034	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	02/21/2022	16035	-SPLIT-	\$ 360.00
General Journal	02/22/2022	16036	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,755.00
General Journal	02/22/2022	16038	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	02/22/2022	16039	-SPLIT-	\$ 12,409.40
General Journal	02/23/2022	16041	-SPLIT-	\$ 180.00
General Journal	02/23/2022	16043	-SPLIT-	\$ 6,101.00
General Journal	02/24/2022	16042	-SPLIT-	\$ 126.00
General Journal	02/24/2022	16044	-SPLIT-	\$ 240.00
General Journal	02/24/2022	16045	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,677.00
General Journal	02/25/2022	16046	-SPLIT-	\$ 891.50
General Journal	02/25/2022	16049	-SPLIT-	\$ 4,813.00
General Journal	02/27/2022	16047	-SPLIT-	\$ 672.00
General Journal	02/28/2022	16048	-SPLIT-	\$ 300.00
General Journal	02/28/2022	16050	-SPLIT-	\$ 733.00
General Journal	02/28/2022	16051	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	02/28/2022	16052	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,290.00
General Journal	02/28/2022	16053	-SPLIT-	\$ 14,188.50
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	340.100 Interest Earnings	\$ 19.12
General Journal	03/01/2022	16058	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
General Journal	03/01/2022	16059	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,822.50
General Journal	03/02/2022	16061	-SPLIT-	\$ 570.50
General Journal	03/02/2022	16062	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,592.00
General Journal	03/03/2022	16063	-SPLIT-	\$ 186.00
General Journal	03/03/2022	16066	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,496.00
General Journal	03/04/2022	16064	-SPLIT-	\$ 708.25
General Journal	03/04/2022	16067	-SPLIT-	\$ 3,633.50
General Journal	03/05/2022	16065	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
General Journal	03/07/2022	16068	-SPLIT-	\$ 15.00
General Journal	03/07/2022	16069	-SPLIT-	\$ 5,978.00
General Journal	03/08/2022	16073	-SPLIT-	\$ 438.00
General Journal	03/08/2022	16074	-SPLIT-	\$ 896.00
General Journal	03/09/2022	16075	-SPLIT-	\$ 252.00
General Journal	03/09/2022	16077	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,778.00
General Journal	03/10/2022	16076	-SPLIT-	\$ 224.50
General Journal	03/10/2022	16080	-SPLIT-	\$ (60.00)
General Journal	03/10/2022	16082	-SPLIT-	\$ (45.00)
General Journal	03/10/2022	16084	-SPLIT-	\$ (60.00)
General Journal	03/10/2022	16086	-SPLIT-	\$ 432.00
General Journal	03/10/2022	16090	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,042.00
General Journal	03/11/2022	16087	-SPLIT-	\$ 480.50
General Journal	03/11/2022	16091	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,908.50
General Journal	03/13/2022	16088	-SPLIT-	\$ 492.00
General Journal	03/14/2022	16089	-SPLIT-	\$ 398.00
General Journal	03/14/2022	16092	-SPLIT-	\$ 240.00
General Journal	03/14/2022	16094	-SPLIT-	\$ 7,825.00
General Journal	03/15/2022	16093	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	03/15/2022	16096	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
General Journal	03/15/2022	16097	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,322.00
General Journal	03/16/2022	16099	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	03/16/2022	16101	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,620.50
General Journal	03/17/2022	16100	-SPLIT-	\$ 60.00
General Journal	03/17/2022	16102	-SPLIT-	\$ 126.00
General Journal	03/17/2022	16104	-SPLIT-	\$ 2,862.50
General Journal	03/18/2022	16103	-SPLIT-	\$ 120.00
General Journal	03/18/2022	16107	-SPLIT-	\$ 1,644.00
General Journal	03/19/2022	16105	-SPLIT-	\$ 402.50
				<b>\$ 101,816.27</b>

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. PUBLIC SAFETY:

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

- Fire Department Summary Report – February 2022

President Hawk stated that there were 14 calls for the month of February 2022, which included 1 Motor vehicle accident, 5 Automatic fire alarms, 3 Mutual aid (Lehigh-Lausanne/Weatherly/Jim Thorpe), 1 EMS, 1 Brush, 2 Structure and 1 Fire Police. He stated that there were a total of 23 calls for 2022.

- Social Media Policy

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to adopt the Social Media Policy. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

❖ MAYOR'S REPORT/ COG REPORT

- Ratify – Hiring Mike Weaver – Full-time Police Officer

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to ratify the actions of hiring Mike Weaver as a full-time police officer with a starting rate of \$29.50. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Mayor Kattner stated how he wanted to thank the Council Members for hiring Mr. Weaver. Councilman Nalesnik stated how they did have an interview with the individual and they were glad to get a chance to meet him.

Mayor Kattner stated how he had the Borough crew post “no parking” signs on the bridge, because people were parking on the bridge when they were dropping off or picking up their children for school. He stated how it was hard to see when pulling out; it was for the safety of the people.

**Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to ratify the actions of posting the “no parking” signs on the bridge. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Councilwoman Fox stated that if they were going to remain involved with the Council of Governments, they would need a representative. She stated how she was the alternate, but she was not able to do it all of the time. Mayor Kattner stated how he would be the representative. He stated how he was not able to make it to the first meeting because he was not in town. Councilman Jacobs asked where they were meeting. Councilwoman Fox stated how they were meeting in the Jim Thorpe Annex building. She stated how they meet on the last Tuesday of the month.

❖ POLICE REPORT

- March 2022 Police Report

Mayor Kattner stated how there was a total of \$1,878.32 fine money received for February/March 2022.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

No report.

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

- Gene Kennedy – February 2022 Zoning Report

Councilman Paul stated about the fines that were issued for code enforcement. He stated how they go to court and nothing changes; they pay their fines and they do not clean up. Councilman Paul stated how there has been a big improvement in the town since they got their code enforcement officer. He stated how he would like to increase the \$25.00 fine to \$50.00 for the first offense, \$75.00 for the second offense and \$100.00 for the third offense. Councilman Paul stated how they send letters before the \$25.00 goes out, but it comes around again and it was the same people all of the time. He stated that the only way they were going to open their eyes was if they were to hit them in the wallet, because the fines were too cheap. Councilman Paul stated how 90% of the people do clean up, but they have the same people, month after month, year after year; same homes, same addresses.

Councilman Jacobs stated how he agreed but they also needed to increase the fees under the vehicle code. He stated how there should not be a minimum of \$25.00 in today's world. Councilwoman Fox asked if the Public Safety Committee could review the fines. Solicitor Yurchak stated how he would have to review it.

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to add an increase in Code Fines to the Agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **Increasing Code Fines**

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilman Nalesnik seconded to increase the Code Fines from \$25.00 to \$50.00 for the first offense, \$75.00 for the second offense and \$100.00 for the third offense.**

Councilman Nalesnik asked if they send a letter first. Councilman Paul stated how they send a couple of letters. He stated how there were a few times where the code enforcement officers would talk to the individuals first and then they do not have to send any letters. Councilwoman Fox asked if it was for a year or would it start over every year. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how that was something that Council would have to decide; if it was going to be a 12 months period or for a year. She stated how they would have to have something written up. Solicitor Yurchak stated how it was something like what they have with the Avoidable Alarm Ordinance. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that the first letter she sends to a property owner was a notice of violation (NOV) letter, which included a \$25.00 NOV fee and the invoice for that \$25.00 accompanies that letter. She stated that if they comply with the letter, they owe \$25.00 and the case was closed. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that if they do not comply with the letter, a citation was filed at the District Magistrate's office. She stated that there was restitution included on the citation, which was anywhere from \$200.00 and up. Councilwoman Fox asked if they had anyone who received more than 3 letters in a year. Secretary/Treasurer stated "not usually". Councilwoman Fox asked Solicitor Yurchak if something like that could be written up. Solicitor Yurchak stated how he would draft something up for Council's review.

**All voted yes. Motion passed.**

❖ **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

- Avoidable Alarm ordinance - Family Promise Of Carbon County

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John McArdle stated how he was working on the updates for the Emergency Operations Plan. He stated how he was hoping to have it completed by the end of the week.

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

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

- Proposed Partnership between Nesquehoning Borough and RBMN - Industrial Road RR crossing

Councilman Jacobs stated how they met with the Railroad twice concerning the crossing at Park Avenue and industrial Road. Councilman Paul stated at their first meeting, the Railroad agreed to install the pipe that the Borough would purchase and go 50/50 on the blacktop. He stated how the Railroad wanted to raise the tracks a few inches. Councilman Paul stated that at the second meeting, the Railroad changed their minds and wanted the pipe to go out of the ditch line, go under the tracks and dump into where the ball field was located. He stated how they had questioned about dumping the water onto Borough property and they also did not want to dump it somewhere where it would affect neighboring properties (Kovatch/Rev Group). He stated how he walked the tracks and he could not find where it met on the other side, like the Railroad was telling him.

Councilman Paul stated how they were very cooperative, but he thought that they should go with their first agreement. He stated how the Borough had already purchased the 24” pipe to replace the existing 18” pipe on Industrial Road. Councilman Paul stated how the Borough should install the pipe and go 50/50 on the blacktop for the crossing. He stated how they were not able to change the flow of water and dump it onto someone’s property. Councilman Jacobs stated how he did not want any liability to fall on the Borough for diverting the water. Solicitor Yurchak stated how they would need DEP approval to change the flow of water; they could not just change it. Councilman Paul stated that in the best interest of Council, they should just replace the pipe. He stated how he thought that Kovatch had corrected a water issue previously at Plant 21 and did not want to dump water that would cause them another problem. Councilman Paul stated how the Borough should change their own pipe. Councilman Jacobs stated how he agreed. Councilman Paul stated about working with the Railroad on the blacktop. Councilwoman Fox stated how she would go on the advice of Solicitor Yurchak, because they could not redirect the water. Councilman Paul stated how they needed the pipe changed no matter what. Councilman Jacobs stated how they had already purchased the pipe and that they would have to get several loads of modified. President Hawk stated how he had asked Matt Johnson when they intended to start, which he told him April 18<sup>th</sup>. He stated how Mr. Johnson also asked if the Borough could put some kind of signage up there announcing the closure.

Solicitor Yurchak asked Mr. McArdle if the Railroad had ever put the crossing back in. Mr. McArdle stated “no”. Councilman Jacobs stated how that was mentioned at their first meeting. Mr. McArdle asked Council to let the Fire Companies know when they would be closing the road. Councilman Jacobs stated that with the Railroad raising the tracks, the approach would also have to be raised approximately 4”. He stated that the blacktop on the south side of the tracks had to be fixed, but they were going to have to go back so far to get a nice grade to / from the tracks.

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Councilman Paul stated how they had to get a price from a contractor to see what it was going to cost the Borough to replace that pipe. Councilman Jacobs stated how they should be able to replace the pipe in one day. He asked President Hawk to email Mr. Johnson to let him know of the Borough's intentions.

Councilman Jacobs stated that the Street Committee spent several hours with the engineer discussing and reviewing streets that they had wanted to overlay. He stated how they were looking at W. Ridge Street, from Ratcliff Street to the end; W. High Street (upper and lower), from Ratcliff Street to Allen Street and E. DiVinci Avenue, from Padua Avenue to Angelini Avenue. Councilman Jacobs stated that to mill and overlay those streets would cost approximately \$120,000.00. He stated how they wanted to get them advertised for bids, because the County was going to be opening the bids for E. Diaz Avenue. Councilman Jacobs stated how they might have some interest from the contractor who wins the bid for the County.

**Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Paul seconded to add the Street Overlaying List to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **2022 Street Overlay List**

**Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Paul seconded to advertise for bids for milling and overlaying W. Ridge Street; W. High Street (upper and lower) and E. DiVinci Avenue.**

Councilman Nalesnik stated how they have the project coming up for W. Columbus Avenue and asked if there was anything to address that street. Councilman Jacobs stated how that was a sewer line replacement. He stated how they were able to utilize COVID funding for that project. Councilman Paul stated how they did not include it, because they were going to use COVID money. Councilman Nalesnik stated about E. Columbus Avenue, because that street was a mess. Councilman Paul stated how they would have to see how much money they had. He gave the breakdown for the cost estimate per street, which totaled \$206,536.00. Councilman Jacobs stated how they have \$155,000.00 in their Road Construction account. He stated how they would be adding money to the account with the 2022 taxes, but he did not want to deplete the account.

Councilman Paul stated how they have a 36" pipe that needed to be installed on Industrial Road along with the other pipe replacement that they had discussed. He stated how the sewer line would be paid with COVID money. Councilman Paul stated how they would be submitting the second block of E. Diaz Avenue for the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant). He stated how curbing would have to be installed on that block. Councilman Paul stated how they were great prices. Councilman Jacobs stated that as long as the bids came in around that price. Mayor Kattner asked if they would be keeping the millings. Councilman Paul stated "yes".

**All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Councilwoman Fox asked if anyone had checked on the sink hole on W. Coal Street. Councilman Jacobs stated how he was down there but he did not see anything. President Hawk stated how he also drove down there and did not see anything. He stated how they did not know how far west on Coal Street that they were talking about, because it might be beyond their street.

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**3. SEWER**

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

• **February 2022 Sewer/Sanitation Adjustment Report**

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

Councilwoman Fox stated how she had mentioned about having the sewer maps copied to a disk, which would cost \$800.00 per drawer and Mr. Pilla has 5 drawers. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner asked if that was for the color copy. Councilwoman Fox stated how she had asked him for color. Councilman Paul asked if there was enough money in the sewer fund to have it done. Councilwoman Fox stated “yes”.

Councilwoman Fox stated how Mr. Pilla had given her a list of items that he needed for the lab at the sewer plant from BlueBook. She stated how the purchase order would be on the agenda for next month.

Councilwoman Fox stated about the email from Rose Chapello in regards to the inspection on Unit #2, which there were some discrepancies. She stated how they had hit the walls and some piping with the sandblaster, but they never recoated it. Councilwoman Fox stated how there was a failure in one corner on the bottom of the tank. She stated how Ms. Chapello had asked if the Borough wanted to turn it over to Arro Engineering. Councilwoman Fox stated that she would not recommend turning it over, because they would have to review all of the information of the project. She stated how she was going to email Andrew (Eastern Environmental) to let him know the results of the inspection.

Councilman Paul asked why they were going back to Carbon Engineering. Councilwoman Fox stated how they were not going back to Carbon Engineering; they were letting them finish the project they started. She stated how Arro Engineering would have to review three years worth of information to understand what was happening. Solicitor Yurchak stated how it was going to be costly to bring Arro Engineering up to speed. Councilman Jacobs stated how he was tired of the entire project, but they voted to retain Carbon Engineering to finish out the project. He stated how he agreed with Councilman Paul about moving on, but could not see changing the engineer to finish the project. Councilwoman Fox stated how she will get in touch with Eastern Environmental to let him know about the report that would be coming from Carbon Engineering. She stated how Arro Engineering agreed with letting Carbon Engineering finish the project.

Councilwoman Fox stated how they needed to send out letters to properties on W. Mill Street about a problem with their sewer lines. She stated how two homes were going into another line, which there was a problem with that other line. Councilwoman Fox stated how both of those properties were going to have to come out of the front of their homes to hook into the main sewer line.

Councilman Jacobs stated about Mr. Pilla looking to see if they needed any repairs to the sewer lines on W. High Street and W. Ridge Street.

Councilwoman Fox stated that the sewer line project off of Industrial Road was going to be handled by Arro Engineering.

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

Councilman Nalesnik stated about the hearing for the property at 7 & 11 E. High Street. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how the property owner was supposed to be tearing down the property, so they continued the hearing for 60 days. She stated how the property owner for 3 & 5 E. High Street appealed the Magistrate's decision in that hearing was scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m. at the County. Councilman Nalesnik asked Solicitor Yurchak what was their basis for the appeal. Solicitor Yurchak stated how they were claiming that they did not own the property at the time of the fire and Mr. Keller had recorded the deed to the current owner a week after the fire. He stated how the Borough goes by the owner of record. Councilman Nalesnik stated how they should see some movement at the property. Solicitor Yurchak stated "yes". Councilman Nalesnik asked if they gave a time period. Solicitor Yurchak stated "60 days". Councilman Nalesnik asked Solicitor Yurchak if he felt that the property owner was going to follow through with tearing it down. Solicitor Yurchak stated "yes". He stated how the owner had attended the hearing himself and also came with legal counsel.

Councilman Nalesnik stated that at the workshop meeting, they had discussed getting an appraised value for the Borough garage. He stated how they had considered putting the building up for sale and moving the Borough crew closer to town. Councilman Nalesnik stated how it was difficult to get a commercial appraisal. He stated how he did get someone who said that they would do it, but the cost was \$1,000.00. Councilman Jacobs stated about seeing what Rev Group was going to want for one of the Kovatch buildings. Solicitor Yurchak stated about asking the Borough Authority if they could lease some property from them.

**Councilman Nalesnik moved and Councilman Paul seconded to add the appraisal of the Borough garage to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **Appraisal – Borough garage**

**Councilman Nalesnik moved and Councilman Paul seconded to proceed with a commercial appraisal for the Borough garage on Industrial Road at a cost of \$1,000.00. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Councilman Nalesnik stated about the Nesquehoning Hose Company project. Mr. McArdle stated how it was in the hands of the Solicitor. Solicitor Yurchak stated how he had met with Mr. McArdle last week, and he was compiling information. Councilman Nalesnik stated about the extension for the fire company grants. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they were waiting for Councilwoman Fox's signatures. She stated how she had not received any documents yet. Councilman Nalesnik stated how that time extension would be key, because that might determine what kind of action could be taken. Solicitor Yurchak asked if they had an extension date. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that she would not know the date until she would get the paperwork.

Councilman Nalesnik stated how he would take care of the light in the alley way. He stated how he had already sent a message to Mr. Degiglio.

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Councilman Nalesnik asked if any of the police vehicles had been stripped out yet. Mayor Kattner stated "yes". He stated how the keys for the 2014 Ford were handed over to the Borough office. Councilman Nalesnik asked if the vehicle was brought down to the Borough office. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how she had just received the keys. Councilman Jacobs asked what they did with the equipment. Mayor Kattner stated how he thought that it was stall at the garage. Councilman Jacobs stated how the Borough got the pressure washer fixed, so they could wash all of the police vehicles. Councilman Nalesnik stated about getting a price on lettering the vehicle – Nesquehoning Borough.

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

- February 2022 Tamaqua Transfer Tonnage Report

No report.

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

Councilwoman Fox stated how she had contacted Rev Group about them donating the picnic tables and benches to the Borough, which he was going to get back to her. She stated how they would like to put some benches in the New Columbus Park and Johnson Park

Councilwoman Fox stated how the Borough received a letter from the residents, live next to the Hauto Park. She stated how that Park was in terrible shape. Councilman Jacobs stated how the Borough took over the park to maintain it, because the Fire Company wanted to do away with it. Councilwoman Fox stated how the Borough did not own the property, but they took over the maintenance of the park. She stated how the steps were just railroad ties, which were rotting away; the merry-go-round was a hazard. Councilwoman Fox stated how Recreation Committee would have to look at it. Councilman Jacobs stated about talking to the Fire Company. Councilwoman Fox stated how she would talk to David Walls, because of the liability.

Councilwoman Fox stated that the next Recreation Commission meeting would be held on Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center. She stated how they were having a drive-by Easter Bunny on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

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

No report.

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

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to add hiring of a cleaning person for the Borough office to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.**



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- **Hire Cleaning Person – Borough office**

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to hire Payton Burns as a cleaning person for the Borough office at \$10.00 per hour not to exceed 10 hours a week. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Councilwoman Fox stated about ID badges for the borough workers. Councilman Nalesnik stated how the Emergency Management machine was broken, but they were working on getting a new one. He stated how he will let them know when they get a new one. Councilwoman Fox stated how everybody on the Borough should have one.

Councilwoman Fox asked if the memo was sent out to the Borough workers yet. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated “no”. She stated how she would get it written up. Councilman Nalesnik asked if there was a settlement for the grievance that was filed by the Teamsters. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated “not yet”. Solicitor Yurchak stated how they were looking for a more specific letter.

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

### NEW BUSINESS

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to add the American Cancer Society request to the agenda. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

- **Request - American Cancer Society - Boot drop April 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Councilman Paul moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to approve the American’s Cancer Society’s request for the boot drop on April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. All voted yes. Motion passed.**

Councilman Paul stated how he would like to change the ordinance from five dogs to three dogs, because of the issues that they were having breeders an animal rescue people. Solicitor Yurchak stated how that was under zoning and anything related to zoning was going to require submission to the County Planning Commission, Borough Planning Commission and a Public Hearing. Councilman Jacobs stated how they had talked over a year ago about addressing other concerned under zoning. He stated how they should get everything together to submit it all at once. Councilman Nalesnik asked what they do if someone would have puppies. He asked if there was a timeline involved. Mayor Kattner stated how they usually have to keep them for eight weeks. Councilman Paul stated that if people wanted to breed rescue, they should not live in a residential area, because of the dogs barking all night. He stated how they should live in a farming area. Solicitor Yurchak stated about looking into the changes they were going to make before rezoning and make one comprehensive change.

### OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Nalesnik stated how they had talked about an Air B & B Ordinance. He stated about getting ahead of it and getting something on record. Councilman Nalesnik stated how they could check to see what other towns were doing. Councilwoman Fox stated how she had received another call about a possible Air B & B apartment. Councilman Nalesnik stated about a registration process, and rules that they needed to follow.

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Councilwoman Fox stated she wanted to remind everyone, along with herself, to get agenda information that they want to vote on to Secretary/Treasurer Ahner before the agendas were made. She stated that under the new law, the agenda needed to be posted 24 hours prior to the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Borough Council Members entered into an Executive Session at 7:36 p.m. for personnel. The Council Members exited their Executive Session at 8:20 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilwoman Fox moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.**

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RoniSue Ahner  
Secretary/Treasurer