

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
Thursday, December 8, 2022

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Municipal building, 215 Main Street, Conyngham, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order by Council President Gary Gregory, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken.

Roll Call:

Present: Bartlinski, Fuccile, Gallagher, Gregory, Kubitz.

Absent Tihansky, Veet.

Others Present: Solicitor, Manager.

Absent: Mayor.

Citizens: Linda Grencavich, Ray Schneider.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session November 15, 2022; Continued Session November 18, 2022 – Kubitz. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Mayor: The Department responded to fifteen (15) offenses, incidents and/or requests for the month of November. Report is on file.

Motion

Motion to Approve Trot & Brew August 19, 2023 – Bartlinski. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Fire, Rescue & EMA: Conyngham had four (4) Fire and Rescue calls and thirteen (13) EMS calls for the month of November.

Treasurer: The Treasurer reviewed the November report in detail. A copy of the report is available for public inspection and is on file.

Motion

Motion to Approve November Financial Report – Kubitz. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Fuccile	-	Affirmative
Gallagher	-	Affirmative	Gregory	-	Affirmative
Kubitz	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Absent
Veet	-	Absent			

The Treasurer provided the list of obligations in the amount of \$ 99,448.67 to be approved.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Bills – Bartlinski. Second – Kubitz.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Gallagher	-	Affirmative	Gregory	-	Affirmative
Kubitz	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Absent
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve 2023 Budget \$812,127.00 – Kubitz. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Fuccile	-	Affirmative
Gallagher	-	Affirmative	Gregory	-	Affirmative
Kubitz	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Absent
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve Resolution 26 of 2022 Establishing Tax Levy for 2023 – Bartlinski. Second – Kubitz.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Fuccile	-	Affirmative
Gallagher	-	Affirmative	Gregory	-	Affirmative
Kubitz	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Absent
Veet	-	Absent			

Solicitor: Penn DOT Qualified Engineers, Alfred Benesch & Company, Dewberry and Barry Isett & Associates, Inc., submitted proposals electronically through Penn DOT ECMS which have been reviewed by the Committee.

Motion

Motion to Award Penn DOT Engineering Five Year Contract to Alfred Benesch & Company Pending Solicitor & Penn DOT Review – Kubitz. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Recreation: Christmas in Conyngham was held December 3rd.

Christmas Tree Burning at Nature Park under consideration for approval at December 20th Session.

Shade Tree/Lighting: Awaiting completion of Sugarloaf Avenue power supply.

Planning & Zoning: The Zoning Report will be read at the December 20th Council meeting.

Motion

Motion to Advertise 2023 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule – Kubitz. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Department of Public Works: Leaf pick-up is continuing. Brookhill to begin next week. The program will be re-evaluated for next year.

Building & Grounds: Gutter installation on Borough Building to commence next week.

The Committee recommended the Salt Shed foundation installation be put out for Spring bid. Discussion ensued.

Motion

Motion to Approve 2023 Borough Building Use Requests Hazleton Camera Club, Wednesday Bridge Club, Have Yarn Will Knit, Friends of the Nescopeck & Brookhill Association – Gregory. Second – Gallagher.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Motion

Motion to Approve Special Election Building Use January 31, 2023 – Gregory. Second – Kubitz.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Fuccile	-	Affirmative
Gallagher	-	Affirmative	Gregory	-	Affirmative
Kubitz	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Absent
Veet	-	Absent			

Grants:

Motion

Motion to Approve LC CDBG Drawdown # 3 Totaling \$ 69,302.48 for Alfred Benesch & Co \$7,350.00 & RC Young Inc \$ 61,952.48 – Fuccile. Second – Kubitz.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Gallagher	-	Affirmative	Gregory	-	Affirmative
Kubitz	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Absent
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve ARPA Grant Drawdown RC Young Inc \$ 46,537.05 – Kubitz. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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New Business: President Gregory suggested holding one meeting during summer months due to schedule conflicts with vacations. Council members concurred.

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Councilman Fuccile suggested putting article in the Community News advising residents leaf pick has ended on the East side of the Borough. Pick-up will continue in Brookhill.

Councilman Kubitz noted CSJMA has issued some erroneous water bills due to new meter installation. Councilman Gallagher stated corrections have been made and letters will be sent to affected customers.

Old Business: None.

Catch-All: None.

Public Comment: Linda Grencavich questioned number of Police Chief applicants – Councilman Fuccile stated one received to date. Applications are due December 12th.

Ray Schneider is thankful for leaf pick-up.

Motion

Motion to Adjourn at 7:35 pm – Kubitz. Second – Fuccile.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Executive Session held for personnel.

ATTEST:


Secretary