

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION  
Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 7:06 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:** Mayor, Solicitor, Manager.

**Absent:** None.

**Citizens:** Linda Grencavich, Maureen A. Bendig, Ray Croker, Karen Croker.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion**

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session July 18, 2023; Continued Session July 25, 2023 – Bartlinski. Second – Kubitz.

**Questions on the Motion:** None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

**Mayor:** Police Report for July was not available.

Mayor Marnell provided an update regarding the certifications for the incoming Police Chief.

**Motion**

Motion to Approve Revised Police Chief Contract Joseph Matthew Racho Minimum 24 Hours/Week – 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			

**Fire, Rescue & EMA:** Conyngham had five (5) Fire and Rescue calls for the month of July. EMS Report for July was not available.

**Motion**

Motion to Approve Valley Regional Fire & Rescue 2023 Allocation Request \$ 11,408.81 – 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			

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

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION  
Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Motion

Motion to Approve July 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 \$ 94,182.87 to be approved.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Bills – 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			

Solicitor:

Motion

Motion to Approve Separation Agreement Officer Demko – 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 Reject Salt Shed Bids & Rebid Salt Shed Specifications – 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			

Recreation: Movie Night August 25<sup>th</sup> 8:00 PM at Whispering Willows Park.

Mayor Marnell noted National Night Out was a huge success.

Councilman Bartlinski congratulated Councilmembers Tihansky & Veet for a successful Park Program.

Shade Tree/Lighting: Streetlight on Twain Circle has been repaired.

Planning & Zoning: The Zoning Report was read into the record. There were eight (8) concerns addressed/actions taken including two (2) permits issued. Seventeen (17) properties were tagged for high grass.

Motion

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION  
Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Motion to Appoint Robert Hoppy to ZHB Term Expiring 12/31/23 via Resolution 5 of 2023 – 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			

**Department of Public Works:** Paving has commenced. Brookhill Road and Brookhill Square North have been completed. Woodland Drive to be scheduled next.

**Building & Grounds:** Flooding occurred in Whispering Willows. Clean up efforts are underway:

Contractor to install magnetic locks next week.

**New Business:** Talon Siren Test Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.

**Old Business:** None.

**Catch-All:** Councilman Fuccile advised Fire Chief Chupela provided estimate for electronic locks and key fobs for Firehouse \$6,775.00 so entire 2023 allocation will be paid to Valley Regional.

**Public Comment:** Linda Grencavich, Main Street questioned how a Police Chief can be part-time with no other officers.

Mayor Marnell advised Committee decided to hire on a part-time basis and will build Department from the ground up. Councilman Fuccile concurred. Discussion ensued.

Councilman Bartlinski thanked Ms. Grencavich for her comments. President Gregory echoed his remarks and thanked the public for their attendance.

Maureen Bendig, Twain Circle questioned hours of Chief – Varies. Will Chief attend Council meeting to give Police Report – Yes.

Ray Croker, Hollow Road noted rocks washing out on Timber Circle. He also thanked Mayor Marnell & Councilwoman Veet for their work at National Night Out along with Council members that attended. A huge thanks to everyone involved in making the event a success. The monies raised were not as much as hoped but overall event was a success.

Karen Croker, Hollow Road worked National Night Out and noted ladies room water issues due to drain being higher than floor. Borough is working on rectifying the problem.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:51 pm –. Fuccile. Second – Kubitz.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Executive Session held for personnel.

**ATTEST:**

  
Secretary