

STROUDSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES, NOVEMBER 3, 2021

A regular meeting of the Stroudsburg Borough Council convened at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, November 4, 2021 in the Council Chambers of the Stroudsburg Borough Municipal Building with the following members present: Council President Matt Abell, Council President Pro-Tem Erica McCabe, Council member Victoria DeVries (arrived at 7:06 P.M.), Council member Joanne Kochanski, and Council member Jim Evanisko.

Also present were: Mayor Tarah Probst, Borough Manager Larry Kopp, Borough Solicitor Joseph McDonald, Stroud Area Regional Police Chief Jennifer Lyons, Fire Chief Charles Frantz, Executive Assistant Mary Pat Quinn, Street Superintendent Brian Ace, and Code/Zoning Officer Ronald Kimes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes for the Regular Meeting, October 19, 2021.

The minutes of the regular meeting on October 19, 2021 were approved as circulated on a motion made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

OLD BUSINESS

Public Hearing and Consideration to Adopt “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 20 SOLID WASTE OF THE STROUDSBURG BOROUGH CODE ESTABLISHING A MANDATORY MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNITS, SUBJECT TO A ONE TIME OPT-OUT PROVISION, CONTINUING MANDATORY MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION THROUGH PRIVATE CONTRACTED COLLECTION SERVICES FOR ALL NON-RESIDENTIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND PRIVATE HOUSING COMMUNITIES AND ADOPTING ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS, TERMS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE”

Mr. Abell advised that he received an email from Joanne Viola in response to the aforementioned Ordinance, and she asked that her comments be read in to the record. She wrote in opposition of the Ordinance and also stated that there is not sufficient notice about public meetings.

Mr. Abell discussed the reasons that the Borough Council developed the proposed Ordinance. Residents use a number of trash haulers, and on any given day in the Borough there are garbage cans at the curb. The Ordinance would create uniform collection in all neighborhoods which will reduce the unsightliness of garbage cans all over the Borough. The Borough will have collective buying power and estimates a 20% savings to residents. One hauler in particular is picking up single stream recyclables which is prohibited by the Borough Code of Ordinances. It also deprives the Borough from selling recyclables to offset the expenses of running the Twin Boroughs Recycling operations. There is also a big problem with landlords who do not provide

their tenants with trash collection; the trash is being deposited on Main Street in the Borough's trash receptacles and either heaped on top of the cans or to the side.

The Ordinance will be implemented in January, 2023 to allow landlords sufficient time to adjust their leases accordingly.

Robert Smith, who was attending the meeting via Zoom, asked what size the trash cans would be. Mr. Abell replied that the Codes Committee discussed making 96-gallon cans available; however, that will be determined when the specifications are prepared before going out for formal bids.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to close the hearing to the public. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

The aforementioned Ordinance was adopted on a motion made by Ms. McCabe, seconded by Mrs. Kochanski. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

In reference to Mrs. Viola's concern about the lack of adequate notice of public meetings, Mr. Abell stated that the Borough Council adheres to the Open Public Meetings Law and goes above and beyond those requirements. Mayor Probst added that the Borough Council adopts an annual notice each year for the whole year. All of this is available on the Borough website.

Consideration to memorialize the approval of a request from the Stroudsburg Area School District to change the Homecoming Parade from Friday, October 29, 2021 to Thursday, October 28, 2021 due to inclement weather conditions.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to ratify a decision made to permit the Homecoming Parade to be held on Thursday, October 28, 2021 instead of Friday, October 29, 2021 due to anticipated inclement weather. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss grant funding with Jason Fitzgerald from Penn Strategies

Jason Fitzgerald and Phil Trometter of Penn Strategies were present to talk with Council about potential projects that may be eligible for grant funding. They are: the Sewer line project on Ann Street; a Flood Control Project near the LaBar Village Senior Center-stream bank stabilization may be required to rectify flooding issues at the site; the Pocono/McMichaels Creek Walk and Levee Loop Trail; Municipal Building upgrades to include HVAC systems, windows, back up generators, etc.; continuation of streetscaping and safety enhancement in targeted areas; residential sidewalks; traffic signalization projects at the Five Points Intersection; restoration of the former County jail; security cameras, a parking garage; and radios, vehicles and other equipment for police and fire. Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Trometter will look at available grant programs and match them to the proposed projects. They will follow up with Council at the November 16, 2021 meeting.

Consideration to schedule a public hearing for the Knox Box Ordinance

Solicitor McDonald provided Council with a copy of an ordinance that was adopted by Radnor Township for “Emergency Response Rapid Entry Systems”. A discussion ensued regarding reference to the Knox Box entry system and the buildings that would be required by ordinance to install a device. Mr. Kopp advised that the Fire Chief and John Stevens, the Knox Box Coordinator, expressed concern about the Radnor Township ordinance a how it may or may not apply to Stroudsburg Borough. Mr. Abell asked that Solicitor McDonald meet with Mr. Frantz and Mr. Stevens so that they can discuss their concerns with him.

Mrs. Kochanski suggested that the Borough should start to educate businesses without Knox Boxes so that they understand the advantages of having the device.

Consideration to schedule a Public Hearing for An Ordinance of the Stroudsburg Borough Council to Revise Chapter 15, Parking.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to schedule a public hearing for the aforementioned Ordinance at the next Council meeting on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve the 2022 Budget of the Stroud Area Regional Police Department.

Police Chief Lyons was present to answer questions from the Council and the public about the proposed 2022 SARP Budget. There were to no questions or comments.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to approve the 2022 SARP Budget. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Mayor Probst complimented the police department and the fire fighters for what they do to keep the businesses and residents safe.

Consideration to approve the draft 2020 Financial Statements/Audit for the Borough of Stroudsburg

A motion was made by Ms. McCabe, seconded by Mrs. Kochanski to approve the draft 2020 Financial Statements/Audit for the Borough of Stroudsburg. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve the draft 2020 Financial Statements/Audit for the Twin Boroughs Recycling Program.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to approve the draft 2020 Financial Statements/Audit for the Twin Boroughs Recycling Program. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve purchasing MyGov software at a cost of \$24,198.00 (\$18,240.00 Annual Fees and \$5,958.00 One-Time Fees) for inclusion in the Stroudsburg Borough's 2022 Budget.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to approve purchasing the MyGov software program at a cost of \$24,198.00 (\$18,240.00 annual fees and a one-time fee of \$5,958.00). The expenditure will be included in the 2022 Budget for the Building/Zoning/Codes Office. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to discuss the purchase for the Fire Department of 22 Motorola R2 Digital Radios with accessories at a cost of \$118,624.00 using funds from the Capital Equipment Fund.

A motion was made by Ms. McCabe, seconded by Mrs. Kochanski to purchase the 22 Motorola R2 digital radios for the Fire Department in the amount of \$118,624.00. The purchase will be made through the CoStars Program. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve the SROSRC 2022 Budget.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to approve the SROSRC 2022 Budget. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to adopt a Resolution of the Stroudsburg Borough Council to Authorize a new bank account at ESSA Bank and Trust in the name of "Borough of Stroudsburg Fire Escrow Account for 816 Ann LLC." pursuant to the Stroudsburg Borough Code, Chapter 1, Part 6.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to adopt the aforementioned Resolution. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to adopt a Resolution of the Stroudsburg Borough Council to Authorize the Release of Fire Escrow Funds to Jason Schneider, the named insured of 520 Brown Street, Stroudsburg Borough, PA.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to table this resolution until the property owner's contractor repairs the damaged sidewalk. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve a Resolution of the Stroudsburg Borough Council to Authorize the Borough Manager to apply for a Visa Platinum Company Rewards Charge Card to be used for Routine, Time Sensitive Purchases.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to adopt the aforementioned Resolution. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve a Developer's Agreement between AKS Realty and the Borough of Stroudsburg.

A motion was made by Ms. McCabe, seconded by Mrs. Kochanski to table this matter until the next Council meeting on November 16. Solicitor McDonald is nearly finished preparing the agreement for Council's consideration. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to direct the Borough Solicitor to seek reimbursement from the owner of 124 Rear Lee Avenue for the attorney fees spent by the Borough of Stroudsburg.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to direct the Borough Solicitor to seek reimbursement from the owner of 124R Lee Avenue for the attorney fees and costs spent by the Borough of Stroudsburg. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Solicitor McDonald advised that the petition has been already been submitted by his office.

Consideration to approve smoke testing on high-risk areas for Inflow & Infiltration of the wastewater collection system by TLC Sewer and Drain not to exceed \$25,000.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to authorize the expense of up to \$25,000.00 for smoke testing by TLC Sewer and Drain. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve an informational mailing on recycling to all addresses in the Borough to be printed and mailed by Minuteman Press of Stroudsburg.

Mayor Probst suggested that this information could be inserted in the next quarterly newsletter. A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to authorize the cost to print the tri-fold pamphlet for insertion in the next newsletter. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to discuss new logos for Stroudsburg Borough.

A discussion ensued about the options for a new logo. The Borough Council wants feedback from taxpayers. The options will be posted on the Borough website and the Facebook page.

Consideration to appoint Elizabeth Burnett as a member of the Shade Tree Commission; her term will expire December 31, 2021.

A motion was made by Ms. McCabe, seconded by Mrs. Kochanski to appoint Elizabeth Burnett as a member of the Shade Tree Commission. She will be filling an unexpired term, which is until December 31, 2021. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Meet with Richard Weintraub to discuss the vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board.

Richard Weintraub was present to discuss the Zoning Hearing Board vacancy. He is an attorney and just moved to Stroudsburg. Solicitor McDonald explained the roll of a Zoning Hearing Board member. Mr. Abell asked Mr. Kimes if there have been any other people who have

expressed interest in the vacancy. Although no written letters of interest have been received yet, Mr. Kimes spoke with a few people who expressed their interest in serving.

Mrs. Kochanski suggested waiting to make a decision until the Council meets the other interested parties. Mayor Probst opposed that idea. A discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. McCabe to interview the other interested people at the December 7 Council meeting. The other people who are interested must apply no later than November 16. There is no meeting of the Zoning Hearing Board in November as there are no applications for consideration. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Consideration to approve a request from the Monroe County Control Center Commissioners to hold a meeting in the Council Chambers of the Stroudsburg Borough Municipal Building on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 5:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Ms. McCabe, seconded by Ms. DeVries to approve the foregoing request from the Monroe County Control Center Commissioners. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Committee Reports

Codes Committee – Mr. Abell reported that the Committee is interested in an ordinance to allow the staff to verify that there are no illegal connections to the Borough’s sewer collection system. Mr. Kopp is looking at sample ordinance. Solicitor McDonald advised that a court order would be required to enter someone’s property.

An ordinance is being considered to allow outdoor dining year-round.

The public hearing on the proposed sign ordinance is continuing at the December 7 Council meeting. John Schnaitman contacted him to ask if there would be an amendment to the ordinance to allow an increase in permitted signs for businesses that have to frontages on two parallel roads. The Codes Committee will consider this.

The zero-setback ordinance went to the Monroe County Planning Commission. The Land Bank has decided to convert the Wallace house on Scott Street from a two unit dwelling to a single-family home. They felt that the two units would be too small to market.

The Committee is following up on problem properties. Their next meeting is on November 24 and 3:30 P.M. on Zoom.us.

Budget Committee – Mr. Kopp is awaiting the certified assessed property values from the Monroe County Assessor; that information should be coming by November 15.

Parking Committee – Ms. McCabe reported that there was no meeting.

Recycling Committee – Mr. Kopp advised that the Stroudsburg and East Stroudsburg sewer committees will meet on November 10 at 11:00 P.M.

Sewer Committee – Mr. Kopp reported that he met with BCRA and Stroud Township earlier in the day to discuss I & I. He put together a mitigation plan with input from Russ Scott, P.E. of RKR Hess and Street Superintendent Brian Ace. Historical reports on wastewater collection/conveyance system condition assessment and inflow/infiltration were provided to BCRA. Problem areas of the collection system that are subject to flooding, ponding or have the potential for high I&I were identified. The cleanout caps and covers across the entire system were either repaired or placed if necessary and were examined for possible illegal connections. Manholes throughout the system were inspected, and a log was prepared to rank the I&I distress level of those areas. Flow metering is being conducted by the entrance to LaBar Village and Ann Street. Moving forward, other mains will be inspected with the camera truck, and the Borough is seeking proposals for smoke testing.

Stroud Township has agreed to contribute 20% or \$45,000.00 toward the 2018 emergency repair of the sewer main on Ann Street at 5th Street. This matter will be placed on the November 16 agenda for formal approval by Council. The Stroudsburg Borough and Stroud Township engineers are reviewing the flow from Stroud Township to the Ann Street main to determine what portion of the repair will be paid by Stroud Township. At this time, it is estimated that 30% to 40% may be forthcoming. The rest of the project will be paid through the ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Fund allocation.

Street Committee – Mayor Probst reported that the Committee is continuing to work on the “five points intersection”, plans for the Ann Street falls, and vehicle flow on Ann Street. The streetlights on the Interboro bridge are still out and are the responsibility of PP&L. Both Stroudsburg Borough and East Stroudsburg Borough continue to call PP&L several times a week to get them out to repair the problem. Penn DOT has approved doing “hugging lanes” on Lower Main Street to slow traffic. The next meeting of the Committee will be December 1.

Personnel Committee – No report.

Public Relations/ Media Committee – The next meeting is on November 16 at 5:30 P.M.

Redevelopment Committee – Mr. Abell reported that the Monroe County Planning Commission was in favor of the open space recreation fee ordinance. The Stroudsburg Borough Planning Commission had a few questions, which Mr. Abell will work on. The Committee will start to work on a master plan for Main Street.

I-80 Expansion Task Force – Mr. Kopp advised that the I-80 Expansion Task Force met with the Deputy Director of Penn DOT on October 27. The expansion project is expected to start in 2025 if the infrastructure bill passes. If not, Penn DOT does not know when it will start. Mr. Kopp asked Penn DOT to identify the properties that would be affected so that he can start to plan accordingly.

Stroud Region Open Space and Recreation Commission – Ms. McCabe advised that SROSRC will be meeting on November 23.

Ms. McCabe left the meeting at 9:00 P.M.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Probst asked about the street sweeper. Mr. Ace advised that the street sweeper was rear ended, and he and Ms. Quinn are waiting for the appraisal from the Borough's insurance carrier. In the meantime, East Stroudsburg Borough will sweep Main Street on Thursday, November 4.

She thanked Mr. Kopp, Mr. Ace, Mr. Kimes and the staff for their assistance to her,

Residents have contacted her about trees and sidewalk heaving.

Council Member Reports

Mrs. Kochanski ask Mr. Kimes to check on the number of cigarette signs along 9th Street where A&A Auto Parts used to be.

Mr. Abell urged Council to consider what they would like to discuss at meetings and to keep the new law in mind about the inability to amend agendas within 48 hours of a meeting.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor McDonald advised that the last court appearance in connection with the Lasak matter will be November 17. There is an Order to Establish a Rule Returnable Response. Ms. Lazak's attorney is requesting, for a second time, to be removed from the case. The Judge denied the first request. It is not known if the property has changed hands yet; he has not spoken with the conservator yet. A petition has been filed by Solicitor McDonald for the reimbursement of the Borough's legal fees and costs.

He prepared the annual letter about the status of claims which is forwarded to the auditors, Kirk Summa. There are no claims other than four "trip and fall" matters in the last two years, which the Borough is not liable for.

He will review an ordinance of Bangor Borough regarding I&I and access to properties.

A written decision has not been received regarding the Zoning Hearing Board decision about 805 Scott Street.

Manager's Report

Mr. Kopp reported that he completed the semiannual counseling of department heads.

He advised that the levee repair will not start until 2022.

Classes/Training

DCNR Grant Workshop

November 4th

Meetings

Monroe County Homeless Advisory Board

October 19th

Russ/RKR Hess/I&I Issues

October 19th

BCRA/Significant Violations Meeting

October 20th

Stroud Township/Cost Sharing

October 20th

Jim/Access/Borough Server

October 20th

Taseen/GovPilot

October 21st

Semi-Annual Counseling

October 21st

Autumn/SROSRC

October 25th

Russ/RKR Hess/I&I Plan

October 26th

Charlie/Radio Meeting

October 27th

Granicus Scoping Meeting

October 28th

I-80/Governors Office

October 28th

BCRA/Significant Violations/I&I Meeting

November 3rd

Financial/2022 Budget

Working on the 2022 Budget. Will have a draft to the Finance Committee mid-November.

Software for Codes/Zoning and Parking

Included as part of November 3rd Council Agenda, recommending the purchase of MyGov software for a total cost of \$24,198 (Annual Fees \$18,240; One-Time Fees \$5,958).

Sewer Collection System/Notice of Violation

Met with BCRA (along with Stroud & Pocono Townships) on October 20th in regard to I&I issues after the two hurricanes in August/ September. BCRA is requiring us to come up with a plan to mitigate the I&I. Brian and I met with Russ on Tuesday and developed a comprehensive plan to tackle this issue. BCRA wants all of this to be completed within 120 days, which I don't believe is practical or possible, given other priorities within the Borough. At the meeting we discussed the option of the Borough doing the work or having BCRA take the lead. I feel it is in our best interests to do the work ourselves.

Also, BCRA mentioned the possibility of a \$150,000 increase in our O&E annual expense to BCRA until the problem is abated. I would not recommend agreeing to any increase until we have a detailed budget and plan as to this increase in the O&E Budget.

Infrastructure/Streets/Capital Projects

North 8th Street Paving Project. Project completed.

Sidewalk Replacement Project/Multimodal Grant. DCED/CFA will grant an extension after January 1, 2022 if needed. Out to bid this fall, project completed next spring into summer. Will add ramp at corner at 6th and Monroe (SW Corner) as part of the project that Monroe County requested the Borough improve.

Ann Street Sewer Replacement. Will use ARPA funding. This is an approved use of funds (I&I mitigation of sanitary sewer system) and requires no approval from the state or federal governments. Met with BCRA & RKR Hess to coordinate water main replacement as part of the project. We will include water piping and the additional excavation/aggregate replacement as part of the cost of the project; BCRA will reimburse us for the costs.

Thomas Street Paving Project. Environmental review complete and was approved for use of CDBG Funds. Will begin bid process this fall/winter.

Recycling Center

Committee Meeting was scheduled for October 13th, 11:00 am. It was cancelled by East Stroudsburg. Meeting has been tentatively rescheduled for November 10th at 11:00 am. Issues are surfacing about the Twin Boroughs Recycling agreement not being followed over the past years.

Put together a letter and informational brochure to be sent out to all residences in the Borough; this is on the November 3rd Agenda. Also, included an article in the Newsletter about Recycling.

Five Points Intersection North 5th Street

Survey work underway. Had a phone conversation with Ben Guthrie on Friday (Oct 15th) to discuss the impact of reversing the direction of Ann Street on the Five Points Intersection Project.

McMichael Creek Flood Protection Project/Levee Repair/DEP Grant

Project is being managed by the Army Corps of Engineers. Award date for the contract has been pushed back, and we are now looking at Spring 2022 for the project to begin. Will keep Council updated. Grant Agreement is complete for DEP to provide 100% of the share of the Borough's cost of the project. We will be responsible for the upfront match costs and then will be reimbursed, up to \$80,000, by DEP, and will include in the 2022 Budget.

Sewer Fund Delinquent Accounts/Liens

BCRA wants to meet in regard to delinquent accounts; this has been put onto the back burner until plans to address I&I are underway. I have talked to three different collection agencies and given the experiences so far with the shutoff notices, there may be a place for collection agencies when a rental property has water due to be shut off because of nonpayment by the property owner/landlord. BCRA found a 20-year-old agreement on how billing was to be done for sewer accounts.

Pocono Plaza Inn is being sold, and attorney contacted us about fulfilling the liens as part of the sale. Past due sewer balance is \$56,471.40.

Ann Street Sewer Replacement – Cost Sharing Formula

Met with Stroud Township after BCRA Meeting on October 20th. Agreed to a draft cost sharing formula for the Ann Street Sewer; this was to be approved at the Township's Sewer Authority Meeting on October 25th. Also looking at reimbursement of costs from 2018 emergency repairs (\$227,447.77) to the Ann Street Main; gave our costs to the Township for approval at the same Township Authority Meeting.

Levee Conduit Inspection

In 2021, all conduits on our Levees must be inspected by camera. Since we have our own camera truck, we are able to do this work "in house" and save costs. Working on getting more guidance from the Corps of Engineers/DEP.

Borough Pool

Working on determining the location of leaking. Since it is not in use, it allows us to methodically eliminate potential sources until we find the leak, instead of the guesswork involved while the pool is actively being used.

Garbage Concerns on Main Street

We have had an ongoing problem with tenants with apartments on Main Street depositing their household trash curbside. We have been closely monitoring and checking trash for any possible evidence of the location of the offenders. There is provision in our Code that allows the Borough to require property owners to supply the Borough information within 72 hours on their trash haulers. Instead of going after tenants who may not even realize what they are doing is wrong, this way we can force some of the property owners, who do not have trash haulers, to comply with our Ordinances. Letter going out next week (October 25th – 29th).

Homeless/Loitering & Littering on Main Street

This is an issue that has been ongoing for years, even decades. In the past several weeks I have received several complaints from businesses on Main Street about people loitering on benches in front of their businesses, drinking beer and littering. Working on setting up a meeting with all of

the organizations involved. Chief Jen from SARP and I discussed, and she wants to be part of the discussions. I want to see if we can come up with an agreement to work together on this issue.

Parking Garage

Working on getting bids from contractors to do work to repair our parking garage. Will be used for a potential grant request for repairs. Also, contacting concrete contractors to determine costs for a new garage.

2023 CDBG Funding

Provided to the County Redevelopment Authority about what project we will be undertaking with those funds. North 7th/Courthouse Square will be the .

Bicycle Racks

Three racks remain to be installed: 745 Main, 401 Main & 33 North 7th Streets. North 7th Street was approved with a slightly changed location. Waiting to hear back from the remaining two property owners. One property owner (1172 Main Street) declined to have the rack on their property.

Upcoming Focus

2022 Budget
Sewer Liens and A/R
Sewer Delinquencies

I&I Mitigation & Smoke Testing
Capital improvement Plan
Day to Day Activities

Code Enforcement Officer's Report

Mr. Kimes reported that the Jennifer Walker, Assistant Codes Officer, is citing LaBar Village daily for the four vacant units.

Street Superintendent

Mr. Ace had nothing new to report.

Approval of Bills on Warrants 211103

A motion was made by Ms. DeVries, seconded by Mrs. Kochanski to approve the payment of Bills on Warrants 211103. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)

Public Input for Non-Agenda Items

Andy Sterner who represented the Monroe County Veterans Association was present to ask the Borough to assist his members with bagging the parking meters for the Veterans Day Parade on Sunday, November 7. Mr. Ace has someone coming in at 5:00 A.M. to bag the meters and to sweep Main Street.

There was no need for an executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M. on a motion made by Mrs. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. DeVries. The motion was carried. (5-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain)