

**CRESSONA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF APRIL 19, 2021
BI-MONTHLY MEETING**

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m. by Council President Mike Pascuzzo. Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Those in attendance were Robert Barr, Mike Pascuzzo, Dave Semar, Linda Walinsky, Dennis Snyder, Regina Sonon, and Eric Prock.

Citizens Participation: None

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Council received a copy of minutes from April 5, Borough Council meeting. A motion to accept them as typed was made by Bob, seconded by Dave. All Ayes.

Municipal Bills: A motion was made by Linda and Seconded by Mike to approve the Bills to Be Paid dated April 19. All Ayes

Requisitions: No Requisitions were submitted to Council.

Old Business:

1. 2021 Street Program – Tabled to next borough council meeting. Mike wants to discuss further with Frank to get a solid plan in order.
2. Fidler Brother Fire Hydrant Quote – A Motion was made by Bob to replace the fire hydrant. Seconded by Mike, All Ayes
3. Borough Garage Repairs –
 - A. A Motion was made by Mike and seconded by Bob to reward the bid to Hahner Brother's for a cost of \$17,230 for a pitched rubber roof. All Ayes
 - B. A Motion was made by Bob and seconded by Dave to reward the bid to James C Cook for the block work at a cost of \$9650. All Ayes
 - C. A Motion was made by Bob and seconded by Dave to reward the bid to Shank Door to replace the garage doors with an R-Value of 16.18 in the amount of \$4946. All Ayes
4. AT&T Phone Plan – A Motion was made by Bob and seconded by Linda to go with Comcast for phone service at Borough Hall and to no longer have a land line at the garage. All Ayes

New Business:

1. Additional Lights in the parking light at the baseball field. A Motion was made by Linda, seconded by Dave to allow CABA to install new street lights. All Ayes
2. A Motion was made by Bob and seconded by Dave to replace the last window on the front of the building at a cost of \$789. All Ayes
3. A Motion was made by Dave and seconded by Bob to approve the 2021 Memorial Day Parade. All Ayes

CORRESPONDENCE: Assorted correspondence on office counter.

COMMITTEES:

Mayor: Asked council to let him know if they see any high grass.

Solicitor: Asked for an executive for real property and personnel.

Engineer: No one attended the meeting due to COVID-19.

Secretary: 1. Donation to Cressona Softball was tabled until after the Rec Meeting. 2. Statement of Financial Interests due May 1. 3. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Dave to close Oak Street on June 12 for a public auction at 85 Front and Oak Street. All Ayes 4. A resident called about not having a sliding board at the Grove playground. I said I would prepare donation request letters to help defray the cost.

Finance/Property: Nothing at this time

Highway: Top priority once the weather warms up is to do the stop blocks at the red light and cross walks on Pottsville Street.

Sanitation: Nothing at this time

Recreation: 1. Ran short on paint for the pool, should receive it last week in April. 2. Working on getting a quote together to convert the tennis court to a pickleball court. Talk to Cressona Lions for help with changing the tennis court to a pickleball court. 3. Blue Mountain Rec will be meeting next week.

Safety: Nothing at this time.

Personnel: Nothing at this time

Fire Chief: Not at the meeting.

COG: Meeting of April 18 didn't have quorum to conduct the meeting.

Citizen Participation:

Fred Heller: Introduced himself as the new owner of 9 Columbia Avenue. He also addressed some concerns regarding a storage container as a work shop. 2. Received a delinquent Sewer Authority Notice, council recommended that he submit something in writing asking for payment forgiveness.

Frank Zurat: Questioned when the 2021 Road program will get underway? 2. Wanted to know where the money that was collected for the Landlord/Tenant fee was going? 3. When will old PPL poles be removed? 4. Inquired about street signs at Judy and Marsha Drive? 5. Expressed concerns about Columbia Street Bridge closure. 6. Wanted to know if anything can be done about speeding on Cressona's streets.

Liviu G. Raicu: Inquired as to when the stop bars and cross walks will be installed on Pottsville Street. He also asked that the state police be contacted and request that they park near the Hubert Inn to help prevent speeding. He also volunteered help with the cross-walk project in way possible.

Executive Session: A motion to enter executive session for legal with no action to follow was made at 7:52 pm by Bob and seconded by Dave. All Ayes

Motion to exit Executive Session at 8:04 with no action to follow was made by Bob and seconded by Dave. All Ayes

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:05 pm was made by Linda and Seconded by Bob All Ayes