

**CRESSONA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF AUGUST 15, 2022  
BI-MONTHLY MEETING**

**Call to Order:** 7:00 p.m. by Council President Linda Walinsky.

**Roll Call:** Those in attendance were council members Linda Walinsky, Mike Pascuzzo, Robert Barr, Mayor Sandra Renninger, Secretary Regina Sonon, Solicitor Eric Prock and on behalf of Systems Design Engineering Steve Moyer. Council members Kathy Butz and Dave Semar were not in attendance.

**Citizens Participation:** No participation at this time.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Council received a copy of the minutes. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Linda to approve the August 1 meeting minutes. All Ayes.

**Municipal Bills:** A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Bob to approve the August 15, bills to be paid. All Ayes

**Requisitions:** #310 – A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Linda to purchase short and long sleeve shirts from Mystic Screen Printing. All Ayes

**Old Business:**

1. ARPA Funds – Linda requested council get together with their committees to discuss and get a plan together for the Grove and be ready to make their recommendations at the October 3 meeting.
2. Railroad Street –
  - a. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Mike to approve the increase in price for the installation of the guiderail on Railroad Street. All Ayes
  - b. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Bob to approve the purchase of 2 road narrows signs. All Ayes
  - c. A motion was made Bob and seconded by Mike to approve Resolution 08-22 regarding a temporary “No Parking Sign” for a period not to exceed 90 days. All Ayes

**New Business:**

1. State Police - Two representatives from the Pennsylvania State Police, Sargent Hornung and Corporal Zukowsky, attended the meeting to discuss our crime statistics over the last 2 years. He broke down the number of calls the Schuylkill Haven Barrick’s has responded to in 2020 and 2021. He said that they are aware of what is going on within the borough. Sargent Hornung emphasized that residents or anyone with concerns need to call the State Police.
2. Codification – A motion was made by Linda and seconded by Mike to move forward with the codification. Bob opposed the motion because the codes will be available on online.
3. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Mike to open a Special Events account for donations made for activities within the borough. Authorized signers are Mayor Sandi Renninger, Council President Linda Walinsky, Secretary/Treasurer Regina Sonon. All Ayes
4. Repairs to the bathrooms at the Grove.
  - a. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Mike to purchase a chair height toilet for the women’s bathroom. All Ayes
5. Fall 2022 Newsletter - Regina will be mailing it sometime in early September.
6. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Bob for Regina to attend a grant writing course offered at Penn State Schuylkill in the fall. All Ayes
7. Council requested a quote from Bear Creek Electrical to repair and replace the lights at the basketball court.
8. Banner committee extending the deadline to September 30 to apply for a banner.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Assorted correspondence on office counter.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Mayor:**
- a. More warning letters were mailed for property maintenance issues to Pottsville and Schuylkill Street.
  - b. Visited with the residents on Schuylkill Street dealing with water issues. Would like to find a resolution for the problem since their backyards are very wet. Looking for suggestions from council and the engineers.
  - c. A webinar for the mayor to attend. Will include it on the next agenda.
  - d. Delivered letters to local businesses for the Trunk or Treat. Residents are also able to host a trunk.

**Solicitor:** Nothing at this time.

**Engineer:** Please see report.

- Secretary:**
- a. Office will be closed August 22 to 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Submitted the paperwork for a 2021 liquid fuels audit.
  - c. Will discuss the salt contract and the MMO at the next meeting.

**Finance/Property:** Nothing at this time

**Highway:** Nothing at this time

**Sanitation:** The new trash totes were given to the residents in need, while making delivering the replacements Ryan received 2 requests for new totes.

**Recreation:** Mike updated council on the status of the pickleball court, pool will be closing August 20 or 21. Rec meeting will be next week.

**Safety:** Crosswalks and Stop Bars

**Personnel:** Nothing at this time.

**Fire Chief:** Not in attendance.

**COG:** In need of a new representative.

## **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

Michael Frederick – Expressed his frustration to council regarding his trash not being collected on a regular basis. Council directed Regina to withhold payment to GFL for any missed collections in the future.

Frank Zurat – Asked council about who is responsible for or who owns the detention pond at Amber Ridge. What happens if it gets blocked? Also inquired about the water runoff from Amber Ridge. Requested someone take photos of the water runoff during a storm.

Mr. Oliver – Informed council that the #1 Fire Company installed smoke detectors on August 6 and have more available to install.

**A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob and seconded by Mike at 8:10 pm. All Ayes**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Regina Sonon  
Secretary/Treasurer