

CRESSONA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF February 3, 2020  
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, Kathy Butz, Mike Pascuzzo, Dave Semar, Linda Walinsky, Dennis Snyder, Steve Moyer, Regina Sonon and Eric Prock.

**Citizens Participation:** None

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** All Council received a copy of minutes from the reorganization meeting of January 20, 2020. A motion to accept them as typed was made by Linda, seconded by Dave. All Ayes

**Municipal Bills:** A motion was made by Kathy seconded by Linda. All Ayes.

**Requisitions:**

**Old Business:** No old business

**New Business:** 1. Zoning/Hearing Board Present to council - A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Dave to appoint John Kantner as Zoning/Hearing Board Solicitor. Kathy abstained. All ayes.  
2. Project suggestions for the county work crew – Bob suggested the knot weed along the creek and painting the fire tower. Mike asked council to have suggestions ready for the next meeting.  
3. CABA extending the lights during the week to 8:30 on an as needed basis - A motion was made by Dave seconded by Kathy. All Ayes.  
4. Dates for Spring Clean-up, Yard Sale and Appliance Pick Up Day. Mike to talk to Frank to check on availability.  
5. Chris Trayer of Diversified Billing Software will be here to demonstrate the billing software to any interested council members at 6 pm on February 17.

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

**COMMITTEES:**

**MAYOR:** Working on some complaints and sweep tickets. 2. Sending sweep ticket to 147 Pottsville Street. 3. Talked to St Martin's cabinetry regarding property damage with in the borough. St Martin's sent a work crew to repair the damage.

**SOLICITOR:** Requested Executive Session with no action to follow

**ENGINEER:** Please refer to packet provided by Steve. 2. Motion made by Kathy seconded by Bob to release Hydro Bond contingent upon applicant (Hydro) paying all outstanding administrative, observational and legal fee invoices. All Ayes. 3. Steve will look for surveys regarding Railroad Street project. 4. Linda raised a question regarding Amber Ridge. Eric asked to save the question for executive session.

**SECRETARY:** Fire companies are not able to provide coverage for the St Patty's Day parade in Girardville.

**FINANCE:** Nothing at this time.

**HIGHWAY:** Truck damaged the corner at the Legion Plaza and Mike discussed the sink hole at the same location. Willow Street sink hole will be addressed with the Schuylkill Street road project.

**SANITATION:** Nothing at this time.

**RECREATION:** Looking to fill the Director's position.

**SAFETY:** Three Properties on Pottsville Street that did not shovel after the snow storm. 112 Pottsville Street, has garbage bags laying out for 6 weeks.

**PERSONNEL:** An ad was placed in the Republican Herald for the open street laborer position. Applicants have until February 17 to apply.

**FIRE CHIEF:** No updates.

**COG:** Next meeting is 3/19/20.

**Citizens Participation:**

Frank Salomone Fire Chief at Cressona #1 Fire Company. Problem with transmitter for the Opticom on the fire truck. Regina was asked to contact Signal Service to make repair. Frank also asked if they can look into the selection of the Cressona fire chief. Would like Council to require application and resume.

**Motion to go into Executive Session with action to follow at 7:38 pm was made by Kathy and seconded by Bob. All Ayes**

**Motion to exit Executive Session at 8:05 pm was made by Dave and seconded by Kathy. All Ayes.**

Payroll Resolution – A motion to adopt the payroll resolution with the addition of Black Friday as a paid holiday and 2020 raises was made by Kathy seconded by Linda. All Ayes

Motion to increase zoning application fee to \$1800 was made by Bob seconded by Dave. All Ayes. Kathy abstained.

**Motion to Adjourn at 8:08 pm was made by Linda and seconded by Dave. All Ayes**