

**CRESSONA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF JUNE 19, 2023  
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, Kathy Butz, Michelle Blankenhorn Secretary Regina Sonon, Solicitor Eric Prock, and on behalf of Systems Design Engineering Chip Pohronezny

**Citizens Participation:** There was no citizen participation.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Bob to accept the June 5 meeting minutes. All Ayes.

**Municipal Bills:** A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Mike to approve the bills of June 19. All Ayes

**Requisitions:** #328 – Bob made a motion, seconded by Mike to take the 2000 Ford F450 Dump Truck to ES Savage for state inspection. Not to exceed \$500 without prior approval. All Ayes  
#329 - Bob made a motion, seconded by Mike to take the 2012 Ford F550 Dump Truck to ES Savage for state inspection. Not to exceed \$500 without prior approval. All Ayes  
#330 – Kathy made a motion, seconded by Michelle to purchase 75 tons of 2A stone and 25 tons of AASHTO #1 Stone at a cost of \$1950. All Ayes

**Old Business:**

1. ARPA Funds –
  - a. Regina advised council that the floors will be replaced August 16 – 18.
  - b. Discussed the bath houses at the pool waiting for the plans from SDE
  - c. Waiting for plans from General Recreation/George Ely potential playset at the Grove.
2. Fire Company Ordinance – Goodwill and Cressona #1 presented their questions. They were addressed by Council and the Eric.

**New Business:**

1. 2023 Paving Project Bid Opening –
  - a. Frank Killian, Public Works Supervisor, raised concerns regarding traffic control measures once paving begins on Aloca Street. Chip advised there will be signage letting the residents know about the paving project. The Mayor committed to having cars towed if they are not moved in time.
  - b. A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Mike to approve the lowest bidder H&K Group, Inc at a total cost of \$135,796. The date for work to start to be determined. All Ayes
2. TCC Delegate Resolution – Tabled
3. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy to approve quote from Carter’s Tree Service, LLC to remove and trim trees at the cemetery. All Ayes
4. A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Linda to approve the purchase of Ricoh C2500. All Ayes

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Mayor:** Nothing at this time.

**Solicitor:** Requested an executive session for legal matters.

**Engineer:**

- a. Reviewed Engineer’s Report
- b. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Mike to accept the waiver of installation of sidewalks and curbing along Willow Street.

- c. Linda asked the Safety and Highway committees get together and review the LTAP traffic study.

**Secretary:**

- a. Discussed a safety recall for the international.
- b. Talked to Council about potentially accepting credit and debit card payments in the office.
- c. Scheduled service to the air conditioner unit on Thursday.

**Finance/Property:** Treasurers Report and Account reconciliation was given to Council.

**Highway:** Discussed the road project earlier.

**Sanitation:** Will be mailing the sanitation bills sometime next week. Residents 2 quarters behind will not be receiving trash collection until the balance is satisfied.

**Recreation:**

- a. Mike discussed the Memory Benches and the cost.
- b. Recreation meeting is next week.

**Safety:** Council was provided with information regarding Constable service. The Safety Committee will look into it further.

**Personnel:** Received a large number of applications. Committee to review and conduct interview. Will make a recommendation to council.

**Fire Chief:** The Fire Companies cleaned the drains on Chestnut Street during flooding the evening of Monday, June 12.

**COG:** No meetings during the summer months.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

**John Grodis:** Asked if 161 Pottsville Street has been condemned.

**Frank Zurat:** Requested an update regarding water control on Shady and Zerbe Street. Also will the utilities on Ash and Alcoa be brought up to grade?

**Joe Oliver:** Made Council aware that is a Constable.

**Frank Killian:** Asked where we are with a no parking ordinance on Railroad, Willow and a portion of Schuylkill from 48 to Front Street. Council agreed it needs to be addressed prior to the installation of the townhouses on Willow Street.

**Executive Session:** A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Mike at 8:11 pm to enter Executive Session. All Ayes.

**Exit Executive Session:** A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy at 8:18 pm for Legal Matters with action to follow. All Ayes

**Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kathy and seconded by Bob at 8:19 pm. All Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,  
Regina Sonon  
Secretary/Treasurer