

**CRESSONA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 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, Kathy Butz, Dave Semar, Secretary Regina Sonon, Solicitor Eric Prock and Engineer Steve Moyer. Not in Attendance Mayor Sandra Renninger.

Citizens Participation: There was no participation at this time.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Council received a copy of the minutes. A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Dave to approve the March 7 meeting minutes.

Municipal Bills: A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Mike to approve the March 21, bills to be paid. All Ayes

Requisitions: There were no requisitions submitted.

Old Business:

1. Spring Newsletter – A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Dave to accept the Spring Newsletter as typed and to mail to borough residents. All Ayes
2. Railroad Street East and West End Guiderail Project – After much discussion a motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Mike to approve the general parameters of the west end of the Railroad Street project for 2022. All Ayes with exception of Bob who was opposed.
 - a. Eric recommended we get 2 more quotes for the masonry work on the west end (section 1) project. Frank will request quotes..
 - b. Steve is going to look into options for the east end (or section 2) and using liquid fuels money for this project.

New Business:

1. 2022 Cressona Pool Season
 - a. Jonathan, the director of Blue Mountain Recreation, addressed council with his primary concern being whether council wanted to allow party rentals at the pool pavilion. A motion was made to rent the pavilion at the pool by Mike and seconded by Kathy. All Ayes
 - b. The pool will be open beginning Sunday, June 5 until Sunday, August 14.
 - c. Frank presented to council a quote to update the electrical service at the pool. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Bob to approve the quote provided by Bear Creek at a cost of \$3100. All Ayes
2. Catch Basins at the Scout Lodge – Tabled
 - a. Linda requested that Recreation committee start putting a list together for projects to be completed using ARPA funds.
 - b. Frank is going to mark off the area where he would like to see the catch basins installed to control some of the water issues.
3. Health Insurance - A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Dave to remain with the same health insurance provider for May 2022 until May 2023. All Ayes
4. PSAB Annual Conference – A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy to approve Regina attending the conference May 22 to 25. All Ayes

CORRESPONDENCE: Assorted correspondence on office counter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor: The mayor was not at the meeting.

Solicitor: Requested an Executive Session for personnel and real property.

Engineer: Please see report.

Secretary:

- a. Discussed the dumpsters for cleanup day.
- b. Working on the Newsletters. Asking residents to update their contact information with the borough.

Finance/Property: The treasurers report and reconciliation for February were reviewed by Kathy and approved and provided to council.

Highway: Covered earlier

Sanitation: The trash bill will be mailed the last week in March.

Recreation: Covered earlier.

Safety: The safety committee met on Saturday to discuss the security camera options a few questions arose. The committee is waiting to hear back from one of the security companies regarding follow up questions.

Bob asked about the stop bars and crosswalks on Pottsville Street.

Personnel: Ryan started Monday, March 21 full time.

Fire Chief: Did not attend the meeting.

COG: Judy Bubeck attended the COG reorganization meeting on March 17. Blighted properties were also discussed. Next meeting is April 21, 2022

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Frank Zurat: Brought to council's attention about the tractor trailer truck on Graeff Street. Council would think that a reminder letter should be sent to St. Martin Cabinetry regarding the restriction.

Joe Oliver: Questions what happened to the items left at the Scout Lodge since the girl scouts took over and cleaned it up. Regina to contact Marcella about the items and follow up with Joe Oliver.

Executive Session:

A motion was made at 8:22 pm by Kathy and seconded by Mike. All Ayes

A motion was made to exit executive at 8:36 pm by Bob and seconded by Kathy. All Ayes

1. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Dave to have Eric prepare a letter to the borough employees prohibiting employees to responding to fire and ambulance emergency calls during work hours. All Ayes

A motion was made at 8:40 pm to adjourn the meeting by Bob and seconded by Mike. All Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,
Regina Sonon
Secretary/Treasurer