

**CRESSONA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 20, 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, Robert Barr, Kathy Butz, Michelle Blankenhorn, Secretary Regina Sonon, Solicitor Eric Prock, and on behalf of Systems Design Engineering Steve Moyer. Not in attendance Mike Pascuzzo and Mayor Sandi Renninger.

Citizens Participation: There was no participation at this time

Minutes of Previous Meeting: A motion was made by Linda and seconded by Kathy to accept the November 6 Meeting Minutes. All Ayes.

Municipal Bills: A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Bob to approve the bills of November 20. All Ayes

Requisitions: #335 – Stork’s Plows – A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Linda approving emergency lighting on 2008 Chevy Truck \$915. All Ayes

#336 – Ark Rentals – A motion was made by Linda and seconded by Kathy to approve the rental of a high lift to change the banners and to make repairs to salt shed \$1097. All Ayes

Old Business:

1. ARPA Funds – No updates provided by SDE.

New Business:

1. 2024 Fire Chief & Assistant Fire Chief Appointment
 - a. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Michelle to appoint Dennis Snyder 2024 Fire Chief for a term of 2 years. All Ayes
 - b. A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy to appoint Mike Pontician Assistant Fire Chief for a term of 2 years. All Ayes.
2. 2024 Budget – A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Linda to advertise the 2024 Budget. All Ayes
3. 2023 Traffic Study – Follow Up and potential MPH signage – Council agreed to wait on the MPH signage in the hopes the installation of stop signs are on Zerbe and Graeff Street are an effective speed deterrent.
4. PSAB Boot Camp for new Council Members – A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy to approve new council members attendance at the PSAB Boot Camp. All Ayes

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor: No update was provided.

Solicitor: Requested an Executive Session related to personnel with no action to follow.

Engineer: Please see the Engineer’s Report.

Secretary: Mailed letters to the folks whose appointments are expiring December 31, 2023. Also discussed Reorganization and work sessions in the new year.

Finance/Property: Reconciliation was given to council for review.

Highway: Nothing at this time

Sanitation: Late notices mailed last week.

Recreation: Kathy questioned the status of the playground equipment.

Safety: Bob asked that a letter be mailed to property on Pottsville Street with a refrigerator on the porch.

Personnel: Nothing at this time.

Fire Chief: Nothing at this time.

COG: No update.

Citizens Participation:

Dennis Snyder: Tree lighting Wednesday, November 22 at 6:30 pm.

Joe Oliver: Was appreciative of the new furniture on election day.

John Grodis: Reported the refrigerator was removed from property on Pottsville Street.

Clyde Lengle: Expressed concern regarding speeding along Wilder Street. Kathy recommended he contact the State Police since he is willing to allow State Police to park on his property to prevent speeding.

Executive Session: A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy at 7:30 pm to enter Executive Session for personnel matters with no action to follow. All Ayes.

Exit Executive Session: A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy at 7:47 pm for personnel matters with no action to follow. All Ayes

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob and seconded by Kathy at 7:50 pm. All Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,
Regina Sonon
Secretary/Treasurer