

CRESSONA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 19, 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, Mike Pascuzzo, Dave Semar, Linda Walinsky, Dennis Snyder, Regina Sonon, Steve Moyer, and Eric Prock. Not present Kathy Butz.

**Citizens Participation:** None

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** All Council received a copy of minutes from October 5, Borough Council meeting. A motion to accept them as typed was made by Bob, seconded by Dave. All Ayes.

**Municipal Bills:** A motion was made by Bob seconded by Dave to pay the bills of October 19, 2020. All Ayes.

**Requisitions:** No Requisitions

**Old Business:**

1. Rental Housing and Inspection Ordinance Review- Tabled to next meeting
2. Mike asked Regina to call and get a quote from Stevenson Equipment from Harrisburg for a quote on a backhoe.

**New Business:**

1. Pottsville Street Stop Bar and Crosswalks. Mike asked Regina to talk to the Sewer Authority requesting the 2 employees' flag for Frank and Johnny while they are painting.
2. Mike started a discussion to change the meeting structure to 1 meeting per month starting in the new year. After much discussion it was tabled. Eric said that it can be tried if it doesn't work you can go back to 2 meetings per month. Bob asked Judy, COG representative to find out which municipalities have 1 meeting per month. This will be discussed at a future meeting.
3. Received a letter from the Judge of Elections asking permission to pick up a key and store the equipment in the conference room. Mike asked Regina to call Marie Oliver and discuss.

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

**COMMITTEES:**

**Mayor:** Sent more letters and sweep tickets.

Christmas Tree Lighting Committee - Upgrading to LED lights, soliciting businesses for donations again this year. Would like to have a contest for the best decorated house in the borough voting would be through Facebook.

- a. Motion for Borough to pay for tree lighting yard signs not to exceed \$240 was made by Linda and seconded by Dave. All Ayes
- b. A motion to create a Cressona Borough Facebook page was made by Linda and seconded by Mike. Bob opposed the motion. Regina requested that the person building the Facebook page limit the public's ability to comment.

**Solicitor:** Liens were placed on 2 municipal properties. Judgements were also placed on the properties through Judge Ferrier's office.

**Engineer:** 1. Steve will be attending a Zoning/Hearing meeting on Tuesday, October 27. Hearing to review commercial garage on Chestnut Street. 2. Issued a stop work order for a garage on Walnut Street. Property owner will be in on Wednesday to drop off permit with the Code Enforcement Officer.

3. Submitted flood ordinance paperwork to PA Municipal League for their review. 4. Getting proposals together for the guardrails along Cherry Street.

- a. A motion was made by Bob to placard uninspected vehicles at the Walnut Street parking lot and any vehicles parking along the Grove. Seconded by Dave. All Ayes.

**Secretary:** 1. In the process of collecting the trash fees due November 2. 2. The borough office will be closed on November 3 for election day. 3. 6 Graeff has been mowed by the property management company. The borough no longer needs to maintain. Will send the information to Eric to place a lien on the property for maintenance by the borough through the spring and summer months.

**Finance/Property:** Please review the account reconciliation, any questions please contact Regina or Kathy.

**Highway:** PennDOT made requested repairs to Pottsville Street, once Frank returns to work, will be painting crosswalks and stop bars.

**Recreation:** The budget will be arriving in the next few weeks to be approved by council at the next meeting. Entertaining basketball and swimming nothing decided at this time.

**Safety:** Nothing at this time

**Personnel:** Nothing at this time

**Fire Chief:** Fire company planning on pulling the motor from the siren, Bob asked that while they are working on it please paint the tower.

**COG:** October 17 was Reorganization meeting. Dave Crouse, Mark Schropp, and Sue Murphy retained their positions. Next meeting is scheduled 11/19 at Deer Lake Borough Hall.

**Citizen Participation:**  
No Citizen Participation

**Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:37 was made by Bob and Seconded by Linda All Ayes**