



Verona Borough

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Craig Alexander

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David Ricupero

Regular Business Meeting
Verona Borough Council
Tuesday, October 13, 2020

6:30PM -532-534-536 Penn St consolidation meeting

ZOOM-COVID19

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

President Pat McCarthy
Dr. Carpenter, VP
Mike Forbeck
Ms. LoAlbo
Mr. Matlin
Ms. Provenza
Mayor Ricupero
Mr. Suchevid
Mr. Alexander
Mr. Pitsch
Mr. Kenna

I. Registered Comments from the Public

1. David Lowery 430 Penn St, pickle ball court.
- 2 James Moorefield Jdaddydrew1@gmail.com (412-596-5816)
3. Dan Showalter-North Ave would like to submit my letter of interest to the Verona Planning Commission.
4. Laura Jacko- North Ave-comment about housing issues on North Ave
5. Jessica Varone- Brunot St-Update on plans to celebrate Verona's 150th anniversary and making a request to council for funds to cover specific activities. Information to council in writing before the meeting.

II. Comments from the Public

- a. Council will hear comments on **agenda** items at this time. Please approach the podium and clearly state your name & address and limit your comments to **three (3) minutes**.

III. Reports and Correspondence

- a. Borough Manager's Reports: Jerry Kenna
 1. Meeting Minutes
 2. Bills Payable
 3. Tax Collector & Special Taxes
 4. Treasurer's Report
 5. Police Chief's Report
 6. Fire Chief Report
 7. EMS Report
 8. There are several "holes" in the Building Permit Fee Schedule. Could Council approve the following as interim amendments to the fee schedule.
- b. Mayor's Report: David Ricupero
 1. Breakdown of \$\$ on new police car
 2. Misc.
- c. Council President's Report: Pat McCarthy
 1. Misc.

IV. Council Committee Reports

- a. Engineer: Mr. Matt Pitsch

ENGINEER'S REPORT

October 13, 2020

1. PA Small Water and Sewer Grant

Bids were opened, Insituform Technologies was low bidder at \$74,961.00. Revised local share of \$11,244.15 and grant of \$63,716.85

Project awarded to Insituform Technologies, pre cleaning and CCTV work completed 10/20/20.

2. First Street Reconstruction Grant

Multimodal Transportation Grant was selected \$68,050/\$390,000 total project \$458,050. Final paperwork approved, bid documents and final drafting being finalized and project to bid.

3. CDBG 2019 (Year 45)

Demos on 4th St. of 866 and 870 \$6,000/\$24,000 total \$30,000

County completed asbestos surveys, awaiting notice to proceed.

4. DCED Greenway, Trails and Recreation Program Grant (GTRP)

Cribbs Field Grant was awarded for \$200,000 (\$30,000 match)

Bids opened, low bidder Pampena Landscaping & Construction

Base Bid and all 4 Add Items awarded for total contract of \$201,750

Contracts have been executed and contractor is lining up color samples. Rec Board is working to have suggestions on color choices.

5. CDBG 2020 (Year 46)

Sanitary lining along First Street due to road reconstruction project.

Bids opened, Jet Jack, Inc. was low bidder \$63,265. I recommend award to Jet Jack, Inc. (\$41,122.25 grant/ \$22,142.75 match)

6. PA Small Water and Sewer

Applied for a comprehensive CCTV and Condition Rating of the Borough's storm sewer system. High level defects will also be prioritized and repaired as needed.

Project was funded and contracts with the CFA are being executed. Verona received the full amount requested of \$125,638 and will have a \$33,294 match.

7. Wildwood Culvert Repair

I have supplied an RFQ to several contractors to get estimates for the repairs required by B&D Motors. The work is estimated to be close to the bidding threshold, I am awaiting responses from the contractors.

I received two responses, one was above bidding threshold, one below. I revised the scope and submitted project as a CDBG47 project.

8. Center Avenue Storm Sewer Extension

I had a meeting with Oakmont Water and Peoples Gas to locate their pipes on 8/6/20.

Scope of work is finalized, and I have submitted project as CDBG47 project.

9. CDBG 2021 (Year 47)

Pre-applications submitted to AVNCOG on 9/4

Projects applied for include, Wildwood Culvert Repair, Center Avenue Storm Sewer Extension, Alleys Reconstruction(3rd/4th and North/Parker), and Demolitions of 473 Union, 558 Church and 856 2nd.

Awaiting County approval to proceed with complete applications, which are due 11/13/20

- b. Solicitor: Mr. Craig Alexander
 - 1. Brooke Gwin- Project Manager VPRC--We are preparing our agenda for the October VPRC meeting. Please let her know when we may expect the property to be considered. If approved, please forward a copy of the resolution, Code Violation review form, and Property Assessment form to my attention.

- c. Public Works/Refuse/Sewers: Dave Matlin
 - 1. Finalize Tree Pruning bid spec and get ready to issue for advertisement.

- d. Ordinances: Dr. Nancy Carpenter
 - 1. postpone of advertising of ord.
 - 2. revision of animal ordinance
 - 3. shade tree commission vacancy
 - 4. planning commission vacancies
 - 5. Misc.

- e. Police/Fire: Mike Forbeck
 - 1. Comprehensive Plan subcommittee meeting
 - 2. Misc.

- f. Finance/Budget/Grants: Ray Suhevich
 - 1. Misc.

- g. Parks/Recreation: Janet LoAlbo
 - 1. Parks and Rec Board update

2. Misc

- h. Communications: Sylvia Provenza
 - 1. Newsletter-update
 - 2. Misc.

V. Reports of Special Committees

- A. Allegheny League of Municipalities: (ALOM)
- B. Council of Governments: (COG)
- C. Tax Collection Committee:

VI. Comments from the Public

Council will hear comments on public-related items at this time. Please approach the podium and clearly state your name and address, limit your comments to **three (3) minutes**

X. Adjourn

XI. Upcoming Public Meetings

<i>Day and Time</i>	<i>Meeting</i>
1 st Tuesday/month @ 7:00PM	Parks & Rec Board Meeting
2 nd Tuesday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Council Public Session
Quarterly 2 nd Tuesday/month @ 6:30 (Beginning 1-2020)	Shade Tree Commission
3 rd Tuesday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Chamber Meeting
Final Tuesday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Council Work Session
4 th Wednesday/month @ 4:00-6:00 P.M. Methodist Church, Center Ave.	Community Dinner
3 rd Thursday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Historical Society Meeting
4 th Wednesday @ 7:00 Harmarville	COG