

Workshop Meeting
Verona Borough Council
Tuesday, November 24, 2020

ZOOM-COVID19

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

President Pat McCarthy -trying to get into meeting
Dr. Carpenter -opened the meeting (President had a hard time logging in)
Mike Forbeck
Ms. LoAlbo
Mr. Matlin
Ms. Provenza
Mr. Sucheovich
Mayor Ricupero
Mr. Kenna-came late- personal emergency

I. Registered Comments from the Public

1. Laura Jacko, 437 North Avenue-questions from last meeting. Asked about 443 North Ave zoning meeting not pleased with the answers feels that correct information is not given. Does not like the tone of the meetings. She feels public is losing trust in Council.

II. Comments from the Public on agenda items (3 minutes)-----state your name and address then proceed

a. Borough Manager Report

1. Gave his report at the end of the meeting that is when he was able to return.

b. Mayor's Report

1. Thanks, the DPW for the Christmas light decorations, and picking up leaves.
2. Councilman Frank Gould passed away. We sent card our deepest sympathies.

c. Council President's Report: Pat McCarthy

1. Thanks Dave for sending the card.
2. To get agenda out in a timely fashion we need **register comments** submitted 4:00PM Friday. Thank Council for everything. You can comment at the end of meeting if you don't get register comments.

III. Council Committee Reports

a. Engineer: Mr. Matt Pitsch-N/A

b. Solicitor: Mr. Craig Alexander

c. Public Works/Refuse/Sewers: Dave Matlin

1. Talking with Matt, we did get bids for pruning trees all under budget (3 quotes) and we will go over them shortly to pick a company

d. Ordinances: Dr. Nancy Carpenter

1. Update Ordinance meeting -
Four (4) ordinances have been advertised and open to the public. Our plan is to vote next business meeting (2 weeks) we will make motion to pass ordinances
2. Resolution for dumpster and demo permit fees and we are adding building permit fees. Craig is drawing it up. We will vote on it next meeting.
3. 11/30/2020 next ordinance meeting. No ordinance meeting in December.

e. Police/Fire: Mike Forbeck

1. meeting we had Comp Plan committee meeting. The next meeting will be sometime in December.
2. Happy Thanksgiving.

f. Finance/Budget/Grants: Raymon Suchevid

1. budget /finance committee met last week I believe questions are resolved.
2. Happy Thanksgiving

Dave Matlin-question for Ray- is there anything in the budget for STOP signs.

g. Parks/Recreation: Janet LoAlbo

1. 12-1-2020 next REC PARKS meeting 7:00PM ZOOM
2. 12/9/2020 2:00-7:00PM blood drive at the Oakmont Borough Building.
3. toy drive at the borough building LVAAFL
4. Happy Thanksgiving

h. Communication- Sylvia Provenza

1. Newsletter last call-articles send to veronanewsroom@gmail.com or contact me.
2. Historical Society no meetings until further notice
3. 12/8/2020 Chamber of Commerce meeting-currant update
4. No dinner last Wed. of December. FOOD BANK every Saturday, Judy Myers 412-828-7394 to set up appt. for food
5. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Allegheny County of Municipality-ALOM-good for function for Thursday December 3- bring toys or cash for children -South Hills Country Club. Send a small gift for a door prize.
County of Governments-COG-meeting last week-County has COVID funds (we were not given grant)
Project we can apply for, PA small business grant

IV. 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**

Dave Matlin had questions about comments for the agenda. President we usually don't vote until next meeting. We can change the wording on comments.

If we are voting on things, we need to have people comment.

Figure out when public can comment on agenda items. We need a 3 minute comment on agenda.

Mike suggested during work shop we can have comment.

Ray -Dave suggests go back to registered comments from public, then public comments on the agenda items.

Look at the structure of the meetings.

Public Comments: 3 minutes-

1. JesssicanVerone- 722 Brunot St-about the Community group \$3000 request is it in the budget – Ray -Jerry has it in the budget.
2. Jerry, the budget is on the website. Change \$5000 for vet walls, \$3000 for Community Group. That one will be updated on website. This updated budget will be voted on. December meeting will be voted on.
Dr. Carpenter-, can we approve the minute meeting Motion 1st Ray Sucheovich, 2nd Dr. Nancy Carpenter, all ayes, motion passed.
Dave Matlin asked if the STOP signs are in the budget. -there is money in budget for STOP signs.
3. Joe Warren-Vogels Lane, issues on comments-feels it should be a conversation-
4. Kimberly Roller- 853 1st St-information on improvements on 1st Street, feels that comments can be improved on the agenda.
5. Rhoda Worf, 636 3rd St, concerns on the budget, major and minor expenditures, dumpsters, glad to see \$70000 on a full-time manager ink budget
6. Trish Shoewater-440 North Ave, thanks to Mike Forbeck on cleaning, the end of 1st Street, excited for a full-time manager \$70000.-comments at meetings.
7. Dan Shoewater-440 North Ave, glad that there is money for the VET Wall, he wants a full-time manager also.
8. Tim Long, well-spoken for public comment. Also, would like a full-time manager
9. Vince Flota, Penn St-also would like a full time manager. Agenda items should be commented on
10. Jennifer Marrasco, thank you for money for the 150 anniversary. Also agrees on comments. Also needs full time manager. Garden Club collecting money
11. Nancy forms are in the vestibule for garden club.
12. Joe Warren, issues on the steps to clean them.
13. Rhea Homa, 742 Brunot St, thank you to Dave Matlin on public comments, the funds towards 150th anniversary thank you, why the account services doubled. Council is looking into it.

X. Adjourn : Motion: 1st Sylvia 2nd Ray Sucheovich, All agree, motion passed

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 1-12-16)	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
1 st Wednesday @ 6:30 PM	Lower Valley Athletic Foundation Meeting