



## Verona Borough

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Regular Meeting  
Verona Borough Council  
Tuesday, February 9, 2021

### Members of Council

President-Dr. Nancy Carpenter  
Vice President -Dave Matlin  
Mike Forbeck  
Trish Hredzak-Showalter  
Janet Loalbo  
Sylvia Provenza  
Raymon Suchevid

### Treasurer

Jerry Kenna

### Solicitor

Craig Alexander

### Mayor

David Ricupero

**ZOOM -- COVID 19**

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call**

Dr. Carpenter  
Mr. Matlin  
Mr. Forbeck  
Ms. LoAlbo  
Ms. Hredzak-Showalter  
Ms. Provenza  
Mayor Ricupero  
Mr. Suchevid  
Mr. Pitsch  
Mr. Alexander

#### IV. **Registered Comments from the Public**

1. Susan Hockenberry
2. Kathleen Hoguet My son Zachary R would like to register for this, in regards to police cars, I am requesting so on his behalf as he is only 11 years old, a 6th grade student.

#### V. **Any additional agenda items:**

- VI. **Comments from the Public.** Please approach the podium and clearly state your name & address and limit your comments to **three (3) minutes**.

#### VII. **Reports and Correspondence.**

- a. President-Dr. Nancy Carpenter

1. Meeting Minutes
  2. PSAB membership
  3. Food truck ordinance rework --- food trucks on ARB
  4. COVID-19 protocol
  5. Committees
  6. Cleaning services in the building.
- b. Finance Director Rep -Jerry Kenna
    1. Bills Payable
    2. Tax Collector & Special Taxes
    3. Treasurer's Report
  - c. Mayor's Report: David Ricupero
    1. Police car selling of the old car
  - d. 1. Police Chief's Report
  - e. 1. Fire Chief Report
  - f. 1. EMS Report

### **VIII. Council Committee Reports**

a. ENGINEER'S REPORT: Matt Pitsch  
February 9, 2021

1. PA Small Water and Sewer Grant

Project completed, post work CCTV received, minor items remain.

Reimbursement request submitted to CFA

2. First Street Reconstruction Grant

Multimodal Transportation Grant was selected \$68,050/\$390,000 total project \$458,050.

Project is advertised and scheduled for bid opening on 2/18/21.

3. CDBG 2019(Year 45)

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

Bids opened with COG on 1/11/21. Eveready Contracting was low bidder at \$13,400. I recommend award to Eveready Contracting.

Letter requesting the addition of 423 North Avenue submitted to COG/County.

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

Cribbs Field Grant was awarded for \$200,000 (\$30,000 match), project awarded to Pampena Landscaping & Construction, we are also getting a quote for him to install a field drain.

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

Demo work completed, new foundations to be laid out.

Awaiting sketch/rendering of marquee to submit for variance.

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. Project awarded to Jet Jack, Inc.

(\$41,122.25 grant/ \$22,142.75 match), awaiting contracts from County. Update from COG was contractor was missing some paperwork. Paperwork is being corrected and work will be scheduled.

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 have been executed. Verona received the full amount requested of \$125,638 and will have a \$33,294 match.

Project specs and bid documents are being create so project can be advertised and bid.

7. Center Avenue Storm Sewer Extension

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

Project was not selected for as CDBG47 project. Project was budgeted for and will be bid in Spring.

8. CDBG 2021 (Year 47)

Projects applied for include, Wildwood Culvert Repair and Demolitions of 473 Union, 558 Church and 856 2<sup>nd</sup>.

This year is the Borough guaranteed year to receive a grant and I was informed the Borough will receive the grant for the Wildwood Culvert Repair.

9. Tree Trimming/Pruning

Beaver Jack Tree Service was the low quoter out of three at \$11,520, I recommend awarding to Beaver Jack Tree Service.

Beaver Jack will be providing me notice once they have the work scheduled.

10. CITF 2021

Projects being applied for are Park Improvements and Alley Reconstruction. Scope of work and applications are being worked on right now and I will have more detailed information at the meeting.

b. Solicitor: Mr. Craig Alexander

1. Misc.

c. Public Works/Refuse/Sewers (Finance): Dave Matlin

1. Update on borough-wide road condition survey

e. Ordinances: Tris Hredzak-Showalter

1. Borough manager job description is advertised for review. Will be voted on at Feb's meeting.
2. Food truck ordinance and clarification: No restrictions on locations, although updates to this ordinance are needed.
3. Park ordinance updates: will update park ordinances regarding park hours, etc.
4. Ordinance committee will hold next monthly meeting Feb 22nd.

f. Police/Fire (DPW): Mike Forbeck

1. Borough Manager Search Committee Update

g. Finance/Budget/Grants (Police & Fire): Ray Sucheich

1. Misc.

h. Parks/Recreation: Janet LoAlbo

1. Parks and Rec Board update
2. Spring tree planting at Cribbs
3. Misc.

i. Communications: Sylvia Provenza

1. newsletter
2. Chamber of Commerce
3. Historical Society
4. Twin Boro Ministry
5. Misc.

**IX. Reports of Special Committees**

1. Allegheny League of Municipalities: (ALOM)-Sylvia
2. Council of Governments: (COG)

**X. 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**

workshop

**XI. Adjourn.**

**XII. Upcoming Public Meetings**

<b><i>Day and Time</i></b>	<b><i>Meeting</i></b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday/even months @ 6:30PM The meetings will be virtual until further notice.	Parks & Rec Board Meeting
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Council Public Session
Quarterly 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday/month @ 6:30 (Beginning 1-12-16)	Shade Tree Commission
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Chamber Meeting
Final Tuesday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Council Work Session
4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday/month @ 4:00-6:00 P.M. Methodist Church, Center Ave.	Community Dinner
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday/month @ 7:00 P.M.	Verona Historical Society Meeting
4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday @ 7:00 Harmarville	COG
1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday @ 6:30 PM	Lower Valley Athletic Foundation Meeting