

ALDAN BOROUGH, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

May 18, 2022

The Borough Council met in session at 7:30 p.m. at the John P McBlain Community Center on the above date with President Procopio presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and led by President Procopio.

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ROLL CALL

Council members present: D. Procopio; K Blunt; H. Borders; J. Lambert; C. McKernan; M. Smythe; S. Walker

Council members absent: None

Officers present: M. Ceci, Mayor; N. Costa, Solicitor; P. Rankin, Treasurer; H. Gill, Engineer; J. White, Borough Manager

Officers absent: None

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilman Blunt, seconded by Councilman Borders, the minutes from the May 2022 Council Meeting be accepted as presented and unanimously approved.

RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Ceci reported that we had a Police Memorial Event Saturday, May 14. Mayor Ceci thanked Police Chief Coppola for his coordinating, Mr. White for his help and a special thank you to Sgt Ziviello. Surrounding Police Departments were in attendance.

Mayor Ceci read a Proclamation for May 11 to May 17 to be dedicated to National Police Week honoring the Police for their selfless and heroic service.

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Is
Dedicated
To
Sergeant John Boyd**

Mayor Ceci mentioned that there was a meeting for the Fourth of July planning. We will have a full Fourth of July parade and festivities. There will be parade registration for those that wish to participate in the parade. Volunteers will be needed to assist with the day's events.

Mayor Ceci thanked former Councilwoman Owens for all her efforts with the National Drug Take Back Events. We have collected 277.5 pounds of drugs in 2022.

BOROUGH MANAGER

Borough Manager Mr. White thanked Russ Carlson who is our broker for BeneServe Insurance. He gave a nice donation of \$1,100 to the Police Department.

Borough Manager Mr. White mentioned that he attended the 26th Annual Workplace Safety Meeting.

Borough Manager Mr. White reported that there are many scams. Please do not fall for any scams offering you money.

Borough Manager Mr. White mentioned that the new Booster sign was placed at W Providence and S Oak.

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to dedicate page two of the May minutes to Sgt John Boyd, seconded by Councilman Walker, and unanimously approved.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

TREASURER

Mrs. Rankin read the Treasurer's Report:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>State Highway Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>
Balance of cash on hand	\$ 1,198,781.65	\$ 155,299.88	\$ 830,158.37
Receipts for period	\$ 115,576.25	\$ 1.77	\$ 37,438.15
Expenditures Last Month	\$ 248,168.89	\$ 6,853.83	\$ 0.00
Loan from Reserve	\$	\$	\$
PA Liquid Fuels Grant	\$	\$	\$
Transfer to Police Capital Res	\$	\$	\$
 Ending Balance	 \$ 1,064,189.01	 \$ 148,447.82	 \$ 867,596.52

Mrs. Rankin asked for council's approval for the following amount of check; from General Fund \$248,168.89 and State Highway Fund \$6,853.83.

Councilwoman Smythe made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as reported and authorize the disbursement of funds, seconded by Councilman Borders, and unanimously approved.

SOLICITOR

Solicitor Mr. Costa mentioned that Aldan Borough is still working on a lease with the Aldan Swim Club.

Solicitor Mr. Costa reported that there is a grease buildup in the 300 and 400 block of E Providence. If the residents in that area were affected, please contact your homeowner's insurance carrier.

ENGINEER

Engineer Ms. Gill reported PennDOT approved the Contractor and verified that we can rebid on the Grant. The grant is good until October 15, 2024, and the grant amount is \$154,791.60.

Engineer Ms. Gill reported that the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Grant for the Proposed Detention Facility at Belgrade Avenue and Walnut Avenue is due May 31, 2022. The Borough will be responsible for \$45,688.50 and the grant amount requested is \$137,065.50. The project will reduce flooding and counts toward the Pollutant Reduction Plan.

Engineer Ms. Gill mentioned Phase 1B regarding Magnolia Avenue Infiltration Facility, that the Borough received \$75,000.00 last year for this project. We are going to reevaluate installing a detention facility or storm trap chamber facility as well as the cost of these designs. DCED confirmed that detentions design is still acceptable, and funds are still applicable. Our goal is to advertise the project this summer.

Engineer Ms. Gill noted that Phase 1A regarding the MS4 Stormwater Management along Glenwood Avenue was surveyed. Goal is to advertise the project this summer.

Engineer Ms. Gill mentioned The Road Program will be advertised May 16 and 20, bid opening June 1.

Engineer Ms. Gill recommended submitting the application for a Body Worn Camera Grant through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency which is due July 6, 2022. It is a 1:1 match with up to \$2,000 reimbursement for each camera.

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to amend the agenda to include a motion to authorize the engineer to apply for a grant, seconded by Councilman Borders, and unanimously approved. The solicitor determined that such a motion was de minimis in nature and therefore was permitted under the Sunshine Act.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

ZONING BOARD

PLANNING COMMISSION

Chairwoman Blunt reported that the Planning Commission met last week and reviewed the sewer lateral and being discussed by Council.

Chairwoman Blunt reported the Planning Commission is reviewing language to our Sign Ordinance that includes digital signage to be up to code.

RECREATION BOARD

Youth Club President Mr. Koperna reported that they had spring cleanup and their second annual parade.

Youth Club President Mr. Koperna added that next month soccer registration will be open.

BOARD OF HEALTH

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC WORKS

Councilman Borders reported the three Phase proposal presented by the Borough Engineer to upgrade the Borough Storm Sewers from Belgrade Avenue and Magnolia Avenue to Rively Avenue and Glenwood Avenue. The upgrade will need to be postponed for this year due to material shortage. There will be other projects slated for next year that we will do this year instead.

Councilman Borders reminded residents to make sure sump pumps are properly discharged onto their lawns and not into the sanitary sewers.

Councilman Borders asked residents when doing lawn maintenance, please make sure you clean your curb lines of accumulated debris. Please do not blow your grass clippings into the street.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Councilwoman McKernan reported the trash total for the month of April, trash 171.66 tons, and April recycling was 2.93 tons.

Councilwoman McKernan mentioned that on Saturday, June 11, the County will be holding the Hazardous Waste Event at Rose Tree Park, 1671 N Providence Road, Media, PA 19063. It is by appointment only; you can go on the website www.delcopa.gov or call 610-892-9627 to schedule a slot.

HIGHWAY

Councilman Walker reported that there is a depression in the street at W Rively Avenue between Stratford Avenue and Albert Avenue. We are currently working on finding the cause.

Councilman Walker mentioned with daylight hours extended when driving your vehicle please be mindful of motorcycles, people riding bikes, running, and walking.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilwoman Lambert reported the Fire Marshal's report for the month of April, Collingdale Fire Company #33 and Clifton Fire Company #03 responded to five calls within the borough. During the month of April, Collingdale ambulance and various EMS units responded to 26 calls within the borough.

Councilwoman Lambert read the report from our Police Chief regarding calls that our Police Department responded to during the month of April.

LAW, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to approve the Flag Raising Ordinance 531, seconded by Councilman Walker, and unanimously approved.

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to approve the Borough to fly the Pride Flag from June 1 to June 7, seconded by Councilwoman McKernan, and unanimously approved.

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to approve the Borough to fly the Juneteenth Flag from June 18 to June 20, seconded by Councilwoman McKernan, and unanimously approved.

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to approve the three-year Aldan Swim Club lease, seconded by Councilman Borders, and unanimously approved.

Councilwoman Blunt reported during the month of April we reviewed 64 permits. We approved 56 permits with fees totaling \$10,251.00. We provided 39 site inspections ranging from concrete pre-pours to final inspections for occupancy. We performed 6 transfer inspections, 6 sale re-inspections and 54 rental inspections.

Councilwoman Blunt mentioned that site work has continued at 2 S Springfield Road with installation of the storm water retention system and connection to storm system that passes under Springfield Road on the way to the creek. The ground has subsequently been prepared for construction. The contractor will provide the final compaction reports before we issue the footing permits.

Councilwoman Blunt mentioned that the work was completed on the roof framing reconstruction at 33 E Providence Road. They have also completed the shingle roofing and started interior framing as we review the plans.

Councilwoman Blunt reported that hearings were held in district court on April 14th and April 21st, 2022.

FINANCE

Councilwoman Lambert reported on the reserve accounts, in the General Reserve there is a balance of \$606,425.58, the Sewer Reserve has a balance of \$298,969.89 and the Police Capital Reserve has a balance of \$1,088.12.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Caucus will be held Wednesday, June 1st at 7:30 PM at the John P McBlain Community Center.

Planning Commission will meet Thursday, June 9th at 7:30 PM at the John P McBlain Community Center.

Council will meet Wednesday, June 15th at 7:30 PM at the John P McBlain Community Center.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilman Walker, seconded by Councilman Borders, and unanimously approved, the regular meeting of the Borough Council was adjourned at 8:42 PM.

ATTEST



Debra Crockett
Asst. Borough Secretary