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February 7, 2022

The Picture Rocks Borough Council met in regular session with the following members present: Linda Sosniak, Nancy Dorman, Jeffery Rishel, Craig Gansell, Chris Smith and Dave Hitesman.

Guest: Bruce Little – Representative East Lycoming Recreation Authority
Alan Little – Fire Chief Picture Rocks Vol. Fire Company

The meeting was called to order by President Chris Smith followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Minutes January 3, 2022 Meeting - A motion was made by Linda Sosniak and seconded by Craig Gansell to accept the January 3, 2022 council minutes with corrections. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report	General Fund	$ 193,301.77
	Highway Fund	17,570.63
	Act. 13 Impact Fee	38,740.77
	COVID – 19 ARPA	19,454.66

A motion was made by Dave Hitesman and seconded by Jeffrey Rishel to accept the February 7, 2022 treasurer's report as presented and file for audit. Motion carried.

Following bills presented for consideration at the February 7, 2022 council meeting.

Ron's General Cleaning	January Janitorial Services	$ 40.00
Williamsport Sun-Gazette	Meeting Dates	152.32
UGI Utilities	Gas Heat	219.72
PA State Assoc. Boroughs	2022 Annual Dues	162.00
Hughesville Borough	January Police Report	2,859.98
Cargill	Road Salt	*1,345.27
Green Valley Trucking	Snow Removal January	*5,238.50

*Pay Highway Fund

Bills Continued.

Following invoices paid since the January 3, 2022 council meeting

Postmaster	Annual Box Rent	$ 130.00
Berger Septic	November Toilet Park	135.00
Dominick Spencer	Snow Shoveling & Bags Salt	25.00
Wolf Township	Remove Christmas Lights	112.50
William N. Dorman	Iron Out – Office Use	15.82
Marco Technologies	Copier Expense	61.36
SEO Services	Sewage Permit – VanBuskirk	330.00
P P & L	Monthly Electric Bills	1,308.05
Marco Technologies	Copier Expense	77.50
James Armstrong	2021 Tax Forms	75.00
Grover Heights P & H	Furnace Service Call November 2021	85.00
Windstream	Telephone Bill	63.63

A motion was made by Nancy Dorman and seconded by Dave Hitesman to pay invoices presented for payment and invoices paid since the January 3, 2022 council meeting. Motion carried.

Nancy Dorman abstained from voting on the bills to be paid and the bills already paid by the borough secretary due to a family member listed as a payee on the bills approved for payment.

Correspondence.

From: East Lycoming Recreation Authority
Subj: Agenda January 6, 2022
Agenda February 3, 2021
Minutes December 2, 2021
Minutes January 6, 2022
East Lycoming Recreation Authority 2022 Roster
Thank you letter annual contribution for 2021

Representatives West Branch Regional Authority –Ms Kaelyn Koser & Brittnee Vann were present and briefed council on the work that was completed in the cleaning of the storm boxes located in the borough.In total there were around 100 boxes cleaned. Ms. Vann also presented to council a detailed map showing all of the boxes located in the borough. Council thanked Ms Koser & Ms.Vann for a job well done and for the map that was presented to council.

Standing Committee Reports.

Street – Secretary reported that we needed to borrow salt from Wolf Township for the latest storm. The supplier, thru the state program, was having problems finding truckers to make deliveries. As of today, we received (2) loads of salt thru the contract and replaced the salt borrow from Wolf Township and are now ready for the next storm.

Parks & Property – Secretary reported that the new furnace is working well.

Shade Tree – President Smith briefed council that Lycoming County has a mini grant program for parks. Based on the information that former council member Justin Shelinski presented to council, on the need to replace trees in the park, he is willing to submit a grant application thru Lycoming County for trees in the park. President Smith and the secretary will work up the monetary amount that the borough would commit and submit the application thru Lycoming County.

Fire Chief – Chief Little briefed council on the staffing problems for ambulance calls mainly during the day time hours when members are at work. To date, they have not missed a call. Other ambulance calls are covered by the paid time company that is in operation.

Police Report – Council reviewed the January police report. In the period of December 27, 2021 thru January 31, 2022 there were a total of (14) incidents reported in the borough.

Person To Be Heard.

Ms. Kimberly Shuler, 134 N.Main Street, was present and asked council if the borough has a dog barking ordinance. Ms. Shuler briefed council concerning the problems she is having with a neighbor's dog being kept out doors in the cold and barking. She is also concern with cats running loose and what can be done about this problem.

Ms. Shuler was briefed on what information she must collect, dates & times and how long the dog continues barking. She must also be willing to attend the court hearings along with the borough officials and present the information that she has collected.

Secretary will contact the SPCA and county dog warden to see what help they can give in this matter.

Unfinished Business.

Tammy Smith, 75 N. Main Street – Sewage Problems.

Secretary reported that the property will be condemned by Code Inspections, Inc. Ms. Smith must meet specified conditions set by Code Inspections, Inc. before she may return to living in the property.

New Business – Distribution COVID-19 Funds 2022.

Secretary presented to council proposed distribution of COVID-19 funds currently held by the borough prior to additional funds expected in June or July 2022.

A.	Handicap ramp borough building labor & material - estimated cost for painting & replacing flooring deck.	$ 4,000.00
B.	Picture Rocks Fire Company	*$10,000.00

*Fire company will need to provide financial reports for fiscal year 2019 or the last year they held fund raising events and received all funds anticipated.

Fire company will need to provide financial reports for the next (2) years showing the lost revenue because of the virus.

Fire company will need to sign Subrecipient Agreement stating if the money distributed by the Borough of Picture Rocks to the fire company is deem in a audit of borough books, not justified, the fire company would then need to pay the funds back to the borough. (copy attached to minutes)

Upon receiving additional funds in fiscal year 2022 the borough could then distribute additional funds to the fire company as the funds become available and approved by borough council.

A motion was made by Linda Sosniak and seconded by Craig Gansell to approve the above stipulations to cover the distributions of funds to the Picture Rocks Fire Co. Motion carried.

Borough Reports.

Emergency Management Coordinator - Alan Little, borough EMA coordinator, reviewed with council the latest report on the coronavirus condition in the county and the borough.

Representative East Lycoming Recreation Authority – Bruce Little, borough representative for the East Lycoming Recreation Authority briefed members on the ongoing projects of the authority.

Representative West Branch COG- Secretary reported that the next COG meeting will be February 15, 2022. Worksheets for the aggregated bids must be submitted. Council does not participate in this bidding.

Individual Council Members.

President Smith briefed members on another communication tool that council might consider, in addition to the website, which would give another way to enhance communication with borough residents. President Smith will e-mail information on the company named Savvy Citizen App with information where to view the product. Council will discuss under new business at the March council meeting.

President Smith announced that on February 24, 2022 at 7:00 PM council will meet to review the 2022 listing of council committees.

Adjournment – Being no further business, a motion was made by Dave Hitesman and seconded Craig Gansell to adjourn the meeting.

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William N. Dorman
Secretary