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April 1, 2024

The Picture Rocks Borough council met in regular session with the following members present. Craig Gansell, Linda Sosniak, Mary Brink, Frank Shetler, J.R. Rishel, David Hitesman and Erin Shelinski.

The meeting was called to order by President Craig Gansell, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Minutes March 4, 2024 – A motion was made by David Hitesman and seconded by Linda Sosniak to accept the March 24, 2024 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report	General Fund	\$ 206,079.83
	Highway Fund	35,934.95
	Act 13 Impact Fee	44,645.97
	COVID – 19 ARPA	2,760.06

A motion was made by Frank Shetler and seconded by David Hitesman to accept the April 1, 2024 financial report as presented and file for audit. Motion carried.

Following invoices presented at the April 1, 2024 council meeting.

P P & L	Monthly Electric Bills	\$ 996.31
Hughesville Borough	April Police Report	2,634.00

Following invoices paid since the April 1, 2024 council meeting.

Elan Financial Services	Office Supplies & Intuit	144.58
Comcast Business	Internet Charge	92.90
State Workers Insurance	Workers Comp. Fire Co.	588.00
State Workers Insurance	Workers Comp Employees	6.00
Stacey Sones	March Janitorial Services	50.00
Jacquelyn Otterbein	2023 Audit	100.00
Melinda Bender	2023 Audit	100.00
Diane Buck	2023 Audit	100.00
UGI Utilities	Gas Heat	180.31
Lyc. Cty. Prothonotary	2023 Audit Report	14.75
Marco Technologies	Copier Expense	69.46
Column Software	Advertisement Lawn Mowing Bids	243.32
West Branch COG	2024 Dues & Ins. Assessment	82.00

Invoices April 1, 2024 council invoices continued.

A motion was made by Linda Sosniak and seconded by J.R. Rishel to pay invoices presented for payment and invoices paid since the April 1, 2024 council meeting. Motion carried.

Police Report – Council reviewed the March report. In the month of March there were a total of (4) incidents reported with no traffic citations or warnings issued for the month. Council discussed the lack of action concerning speeding on route 220. Council will monitor monthly police reports thru September and if no appreciative activity is reported, council will consider changes to the 2025 police contract.

New Business – Opening 2024 Lawn Mowing Bids – Council received the following bids.

Two Guys Mowing Service	\$250.00 per mowing.
Koz's Landscaping	\$274.00 per mowing.

A motion was made by Frank Shetler and seconded by J.R. Rishel to award the 2024 lawn mowing contract to Two Guys Mowing Service. Motion carried.

Proposed Solar Energy System Sample Ordinance – Council reviewed the proposed sample ordinance and instructed the secretary to forward a copy to the borough solicitor for his review with following council concerns.

#1 Will property owners be permitted to install solar system in borough center district or residential district.

Answer – Yes by securing a variance hearing. Also, it can be argued that this type of installation is still intended to “supply electrical power primarily for off-site use” since the electrical power generated is not being directly used by the home owner. You can eliminate this issue by simply removing “roof mounted solar collector devises” from the definition, if that is truly the intent of council.

#2 Decommissioning (12) months for no electricity generated not (18)

Answer – I see no issue with limiting it to twelve months. There should be language added relative to notice of decommissioning.

Action to be taken at the May council meeting, with council concerns approved by the borough solicitor.

Borough Reports.

Representative West Branch COG – Secretary reported that the next COG meeting will be April 16, 2024.

Individual Council Members.

President Gansell reviewed with council that year 2025 is a centennial year for the Borough. He outlined is agenda for the event which will be held at the park. President is open for help from council members.

Being no further business, a motion was made by J.R. Rishel and seconded by David Hitesman to adjourn the meeting.

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William N. Dorman  
Secretary