BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT

MINUTES OF THE VANDERGRIFT COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 1, 2021

The Council of the Borough met in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 7:00 pm, with Vice President Chvala presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lenny Collini

Tom Holmes

Christine Wilson

Karen McClarnon

John Uskuraitis

Kathleen Chyala

Casimer Maszgay

OTHER OFFICIALS:

Barbara Turiak, Mayor

Stephen DelleDonne, Secretary

Thereasa Geltz, Assistant Secretary

Lucian Bove, Engineer

Joseph Caporali, Police Chief

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the October 4, 2021 meetings were approve by motion of Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Uskuaritis, as corrected. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

A motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Collini, to hear from visitors at this time. Motion carried.

MaryAnn Gilliam, 102 Custer Avenue, addressed Council on the following issues: Slum landlords and they failing to obtain the proper occupancy permits prior to having a tenant move in; the need to address the drug problems in town; and the failure of the Code Officer to respond to her complaints. She also questioned who will be using the 19 parking spaces at the proposed Olmsted Commons site. She also complained about the residence at 104 Custer Avenue for failure to obtain permits and has no insurance.

Don Detar, 213 Lowell Street, questioned if the individuals who were vandalizing vehicles where every caught.

Chief Caporali stated that no arrests were made to date.

A motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Collini, to return to the regular order of business. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Secretary presented and read an "Agreement for Limited Waiver of Lease Terms" between the Borough of Vandergrift and the Casino Theater Restoration and Management, Inc. (See pages 2-A & B)

A motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Maszgay, to execute the aforementioned "Agreement". Motion carried with Mrs. McClarnon opposing.

The Secretary presented and read letter from John Peck, District Attorney of Westmoreland County, (See Exhibit 1-A). Said letter informed Council that a request for funding of computers and related equipment for the Vandergrift Police Department in the amount of \$24,992.14 has been approved. He therefore presented Resolution No. 5-2021 for adoption in which the Borough accepts the aforemention sum and agree to the terms set forth in Resolution No. 5-2021. (See page 2-C & 2D)

A motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Holmes, to adopt Resolution No. 5-2021. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wilson, second by Mr. Collini, to accept the Secretary's Report. Motion carried.

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT:

The Secretary reported that the Code Officer issued 21 notice violations and attended 4 hearings at the magistrate's office. He also stated that the Code Officer is requesting \$300.00 for the purpose of having someone cut the grass and weeds at 121 Lowell Street.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wilson, second by Mr. Holmes, to approve the spending of \$300.00 to have the grass and weeds cut at 121 Lowell Street. Motion carried.

AGREEMENT FOR LIMITED WAIVER OF LEASE TERMS

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into a Lease Agreement dated January 13, 2019, for the lease of the Casino Theater, a known historical structure, located in the Borough of Vandergrift, for a term of 20 years; and,

WHEREAS, CTRM is responsible for all up keep and maintenance of the Casino Theater during the term of the lease, and acknowledges the continuing responsibility under the term of the lease; and,

WHEREAS, Vandergrift, as owner of the structure, has identified certain debilitating structural deficiencies, which cannot financially be addressed by CTRM as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the inability to operate the theater due to mandatory shutdowns and emergency declarations; and,

WHEREAS, Vandergrift deems that the repair of these items is vital to the continued integrity of the structure as a hallmark of the community, and desires to enter into this agreement with CTRM, to waive, on a limited basis only, maintenance terms, specifically and solely related to the items specifically contained in this agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Vandergrift, the corporate owner of the structure known as the Casino Theater, desires to make repairs, as deemed necessary by the Council of the Borough of Vandergrift, upon recommendation of its engineer, and subject to official action by the Borough of Vandergrift, which shall be limited to repairs as specifically identified and bid by the Council of the Borough of Vandergrift, and as approved by the Council of the Borough of Vandergrift, from time to time, by official action of Council only.
- 2. The Parties agree that this is not a general waiver of the terms and conditions of the lease; all conditions of the lease regarding upgrade, improvements, restoration, and maintenance of the structure, shall remain the full and complete responsibility of CTRM, without further waiver.
- 3. The Parties agree that the limited waiver, at this time, does not waive any other terms or conditions of the lease especially, specifically, and without further waiver, the terms and conditions associated with upgrade, improvement, restoration, and maintenance and all utilities on the structure during the term of the lease.

- 4. CTRM agrees that the terms of the lease specifically, paragraph 6, shall control their requirements hereafter, related to the maintenance and upkeep, and are not waived by the Parties. It is agreed that any repairs made by the Borough of Vandergrift shall be deemed emergency repairs, and that at all times, CTRM shall cooperate with the Borough of Vandergrift with said repairs; provided however, if CTRM fails to cooperate, the Borough of Vandergrift shall have the right to enter onto the premises and make the repairs approved by the Council of the Borough of Vandergrift, without further notice.
- 5. Nothing in this limited waiver is intended to obligate the Borough of Vandergrift to complete any repairs or maintenance of the Casino Theater, including any emergency repairs or maintenance; the same shall remain subject to the terms of the lease.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties do hereby set their hand and seal this 4th day of October, 2021, upon official action of the respective Council or Boards of Directors.

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT:

KATHLEEN CHVALA, Council President ATTEST: (SEAL) STEPHEN I. DELLEDONNE. Borough Secretary APPROVED: bara Junia BARBARA TURIAK Mayor **ACCEPTING ALL TERMS:** CASINO THEATER RESTORATION AND MANAGEMENT, INC. BY: ANTHONY FERRANTE, President ATTEST: (SEAL)

Secretary

Exh. 6. + 1-A

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October 8, 2021

Chief Joseph M. Caporali Vandergrift Borough Police Department 109 Grant Avenue Vandergrift, PA 15690

RE: Funding of computers and related equipment

Dear Chief:

I am in receipt of your email sent October 7, 2021, requesting funds in the amount of \$24,992.14 for the purchase of computers and computer related equipment for the use of the Borough of Vandergrift Police Department.

In order to facilitate your request, I have enclosed a proposed Resolution for the funds requested by the Borough and the Borough agreeing to accept the funds in the above amount for the purchase of computers and computer related equipment.

Please review the proposed Resolution; and if acceptable, request the Borough Council and Mayor to enact the Resolution at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Should there be any questions, please feel free to contact me.

I am happy to be of assistance to the Vandergrift Borough Police Department.

Very truly yours,

John W. Peck District Attorney

JWP/lmp

Enclosure

Pc: Officer Christian Disciscio Mayor Barbara Turiak

Borough Manager Steve DelleDonne

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT RESOLUTION NO. 5-2021

WHEREAS, investigations by the Westmoreland County Office of District Attorney (District Attorney) and various Westmoreland County Municipal Police Departments have resulted in the seizure of United States currency from drug traffickers; and

WHEREAS, certain sums of money seized from drug traffickers have been forfeited to the District Attorney's Investigative Fund No. 2; and

WHEREAS, proceeds of property forfeited may be distributed for the enforcement of the provisions of the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device, & Cosmetic Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Vandergrift has requested funding for computers and computer related equipment for the Borough of Vandergrift Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney intends to distribute TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY TWO DOLLARS AND FOURTEEN CENTS (\$24,992.14) to the Borough of Vandergrift for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Act by funding the purchase of computers and related computer equipment for the Borough of Vandergrift Police Department if the Borough of Vandergrift agrees to the following conditions:

(1) The Borough of Vandergrift hereby agrees to deposit into a Borough account the above said sum;

- (2) The Borough of Vandergrift hereby agrees to maintain an accurate record of all sums expended so that an annual audit may be conducted:
- (3) The Borough of Vandergrift hereby agrees to expend such sums only for the purchase of computers and related computer equipment as set forth in the attachments from Tough Rugged Laptops, Bill's Computer Repair & More, L-Tron Corporation and Informant Technologies.
- (4) The Borough of Vandergrift hereby agrees to provide an audit of the disbursements of the account on a yearly basis, if requested.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, it is hereby resolved by the Borough of Vandergrift that the Borough of Vandergrift hereby agrees to accept the sum of TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY TWO DOLLARS AND FOURTEEN CENTS (\$24,992.14) from the District Attorney and agrees to accept said sum upon the above stated conditions.

Resolved this ______, day of _______, 2021.

Borough of Vandergrift

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ATTEST: (SEAL)

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A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to accept the Code Office's Report. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE:

The Secretary presented and read the following correspondence:

Exhibit 2-A: Robert Buchanan, Allusion Brewing Co.

Request for guidelines in the expansion of the Allusion Brewing Co. business.

REGULAR & STATED BILLS:

A motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Holmes, to pay all stated and approved bills. Motion carried.

SPECIAL BILLS:

None

STREET & SANITIATION REPORT:

Chairperson Wilson reported that Zack Buttera has satisfactorly completed his 90 nintey probation period.

Mrs. Wilson reported that the Borough Crew cut and removed two trees on Custer Avenue which were damaged from a storm. She stated that there is one tree remaing that is damaged that needs to be removed. She explained that this tree is too big for the Borough Crew to handle.

Mrs. Wilson reported that the M.A.W. C. had completed the concrete work on Linden Street and is scheduled to open on Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

Mrs. Wilson reminded residents that the Borough Crew will not collected any municipal waste containers over the weight of 50 lbs.

A motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Holmes, to accept the Street & Sanitation Report. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Engineer Lucien Bove stated that he has filed for an application to the Westmoreland County Planning Department for funding to demolish the structures located at 109 & 111 Washington Avenue and the structures located at 326 and 3371/2 Longfellow Street. He stated that the

Exh.bit 2-A



To: Vandergrift Town Council

From: Allusion Brewing Company

Date: October 14th, 2021

Subject: Brewery Expansion

Despite opening during a global pandemic, the support of local and surrounding communities for our brewery has put us in a position where we need to expand the business. We are currently in the process of purchasing the adjacent building to the brewery with the intention of using the building for increased storage and customer seating. We potentially would also like to add on larger partitioned rooms that could be used as private party rooms, or even a room large enough to support live entertainment.

We would like to know what the guidelines are for such and expansion. We have now been informed there are guidelines regarding percentage growth in such an expansion. When we know the approved growth percentages, we can determine the extent of the renovation needed to meet the guidelines.

Thank you very much for your continued help and support of our business in your historical town!

Robert Buchanan

Council will need to sign a Release & Right of Entry for only the property located at 111 Washington Avenue, 326 Longfellow and 337 ½ Street.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to execute a Release and Right of Entry for the properties referenced above. Motion carried.

Engineer Bove stated that the 2021 Street Reconstruction is tentatively scheduled to begin on November 8, 2021.

Mr. Holmes questioned if the water drainage on 7th Street will be addressed.

Engineer Bove stated this matter will be addressed.

In regards to the placement of the letter "V" monument originally to placed in front of the entrance to the police station, a motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Holmes, to located the "V" on the Grant Avenue side of the Municipal Building and to relocate the existing shrub to the entrance of the Vandergrift Pool. Motion carried.

Engineer Bove also reviewed that remainder of this report. (See pages 4-A thru 4-F)

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to accept the Engineer's Report. Motion carried.

BUDGET & FINANCE REPORT:

Chairperson Maszgay stated that each member has a been give a budget report for the month of October-2021. He also requested that Council recess this meeting to Monday, November 8th for the purpose of presenting the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2022.

Mr. Maszgay distributed 2022 budget packets to each member of Council.

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mr. Holmes, to accept the Budget & Finance Report. Motion carried.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

Chairperson Holmes informed Council that Sierra Miller has resigned her position as a full-time school crossing guard.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mrs. Wilson, to accept Ms. Miller's resignation as a full-time school crossing guard. Motion carried.

Michael Bove, PE, PLS, SEO, STPO President Emeritus & Founder

Emil Bove, PLS, SEO, EIT President

Lucien Bove, PE, CBSI Secretary / Treasurer



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October 27, 2021

Vandergrift Borough Council 109 Grant Avenue Vandergrift, Pennsylvania 15690

Attention: Stephan DelleDonne, Borough Secretary

Reference: Engineer's Report for November 1, 2021 Council Meeting

Ladies and Gentlemen.

This report summarizes activities, projects, and work performed during the past month in addition to the preparation for and attendance of regular and scheduled meetings:

2021 CDBG Street Reconstruction Project - Sherman Ave., LaFayette Ave. & 7th Street

The preconstruction conference was held on Friday October 22nd at the Borough Office. Work is tentatively scheduled for the week of November 8th. Copies of the minutes of the meeting have been distributed.

2021 Casino Theater and Library Building Improvement Project

The preconstruction conference for the masonry work was held on Wednesday October 13th at the Borough Office. Work is tentatively scheduled to start October 27th. Copies of the minutes of the meeting have been distributed. We will need a <u>one day</u> electric power "shut-down" sometime during the week of November 8th through the 12th in order to safely work behind and under high voltage power lines on the back of building. If done on a week-day during regular business hours, we've been told there is no charge from the power company. We are coordinating this with the Contractor, the Library and the Casino Theater. Please note that the 1st State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) <u>Project and Expenditure Report</u> originally due October 30, 2021 is now due April 30, 2022.

Timber Harvest

The Forester Consultant, Dave O'Barto is in the process of completing the tree inventory on the main area. We plan to meet with him on-site to go over the inventory status and to preview the area south of Allegheny Road which will be included in the harvested. I will keep Council posted as to the meeting time and date.

Street Excavation and Driveway Permits

We issued several Street Excavation Permits.

407A Jackson Avenue Sewer Connection Violation

A Court hearing has been scheduled for Monday November 1st at 2:15 PM at the Magistrates. As far as we know, the required work has not yet been done by the owner.

2022 CDBG Application

As you know we completed and submitted the application to the County along with all required documentation and attachments. Please see the attached revised list of streets. Note that 1st Street and 4th Street were removed from the list as requested by the County. Due to indications that the income surveys would not qualify Center Street and Florida Avenue, these streets were also removed. Therefore, 28th Street from 28th to Lowell St., 29th Street from Howell St. to Irving St. and Bryant Street from Wallace St. to Cooper St, were added to the list.

109 and 111 Washington Avenue - County Demolition Applications

We've completed two Demo-Fund applications for these commercial structures which were delivered to the County on Thursday October 28th. The Borough's copies will be distributed at the November 1st Council meeting. As soon as we receive the signed Release and Right-of-Entry Agreements, we will forward them to the County as well.

Page 2 of 2

"V" for Vandergrift Monuments

As approved at a previous meeting the large (8' tall) letter "V" monument will be located within the Olmsted Commons Park along the sidewalk where it can be easily seen from Washington Avenue. A request is being made by Marilee Kessler of the VIP to locate the small (4' tall) "V" monument in front of the Borough Building under the Borough sign which is attached to the Building (see attached location map and photo.). Power is available at this location to light the monument at night. A shrubbery that presently exists at this location will need to be relocated to another location. We will need the approval of Council for this location and the relocation of the shrubery.

Truck Access to Dongai Lumber & Poplar Avenue

Regarding the issue of trucks (specifically tractor trailer trucks) accessing Dongai Lumber by way of Poplar and Linden Streets, please note that the truck routes in the Borough are established per ordinance (see attached) and that truck traffic is restricted on all other streets except for local deliveries. Walnut, Oak, Linden and Poplar Streets are not listed as truck routes. Since deliveries to Dongai might be considered local deliveries, special signs may be warranted indicating "NO TRACTOR TRAILERS" or "NO TRAILER TRUCK ACCESS TO DONGAI LUMBER". Please note that existing "No Trucks" signs are posted on both sides of Linden Street at Custer Avenue (SR 56). These signs are old and fading and may need to be replaced soon. Poplar is not a truck route; therefore, it can also be posted for "No Trucks". Since the Kiski School maintenance dept. gets truck deliveries to their building, one "No Trucks" sign can be placed immediately after their driveway and two "No Trucks" signs can be installed (one on each side of Poplar) near Custer just as they are on Linden, however, these signs would need "100 FEET AHEAD" Placards below each sign. Before ordering special signs, we suggest installing the no trucks signs as indicated above to see if that will help to eliminate the problem or at least reduce the occurrence. If this issue continues to be a problem, perhaps we should discuss this with Dongai Lumber to see if they have any suggestions to help improve the situation.

REQUESTED AGENDA ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION OR DISCUSSION

Small Letter "V" Monument Location

Consideration to allow the Smaller (4' tall) Letter "V" Monument to be installed at the front of the Borough Building at 109 Grant Avenue under the VANDERGRIFT BOROUGH wall sign at the location of the existing shrubbery facing Grant Street if possible considering the sign foundation and existing building conditions and utility locations (see attached photo, and location map).

Demo-Fund Release and Right-of-Entry Agreements

Consideration to authorize the signing of the required Right-of-Entry Agreements with Westmoreland County for County Demolition Program funding for the Demolitions of the following structures:

- 337 1/2 Longfellow Street
- 326 Longfellow Street
- 111 Washington Avenue

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. Thank you.

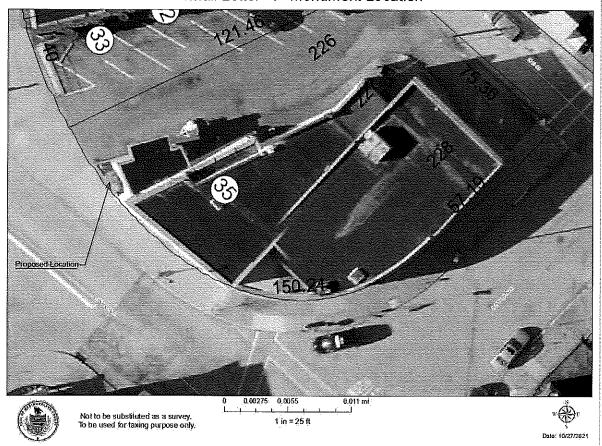
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Respectfully submitted

2022 - CDBG STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Street Name - From Street to Street
Pennsylvania Ave - LaBell Vue to Delaware Ave.
Pennsylvania Ave - Delaware to North end of Indiana Ave.
Pennsylvania Ave - Near Virginia Ave. to Sharp Bend
13th Street - 13th St. to Washington Ave. & 13th St. to 13th St.
13th Street - Custer Ave. to 13th St. & 13th to Wash. Ave.
11th Street - Sumner Ave. to 3rd St.
11th Street - Columbia Ave. to 5th St.
5th Street - Sherman Ave. to 11th St.
28th Street - 28th St. to Lowell St.
29th Street - Howell St. to Irving St.
Bryant Street - Wallace to Cooper
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Small Letter "V" Monument Location





§ 470-14. Truck routes established; truck traffic restricted on all other streets.

A. The following streets and portions of streets are established as truck routes:

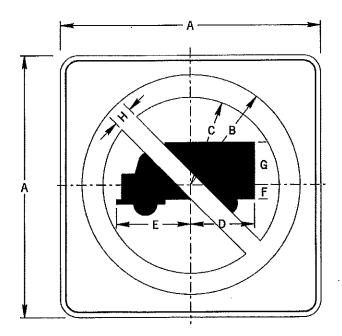
Street	Between
Custer Avenue	Longfellow Street and Washington Avenue
Eighth Street	Sherman Avenue and First Street
Hamilton Avenue	Sherman Avenue and Franklin Avenue
Hancock Avenue	South Borough line and Custer Avenue
Holland Street	South Borough line and Longfellow Street
Longfellow Street	Holland Street and Hancock Avenue
Sherman Avenue	Washington Avenue and Eighth Street
Washington Avenue	Custer Avenue and Sherman Avenue

- B. All other streets and portions of streets are set aside for the use of passenger vehicles only. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive a truck on any street or portion of street not listed above as a truck route, except that nothing shall prohibit the operation of any commercial vehicle or truck on any street not designated as a truck route where that operation is necessary in order to pick up or deliver any goods, wares, merchandise or material from or to any premises located on that street not designated as a truck route.
- C. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and costs.

R5-2

NO TRUCK SIGN

- (a) Justification. The No Truck Sign (R5--2) shall be authorized for use to prohibit trucks, except that such vehicles may be operated thereon for the purpose of delivering or picking up materials or merchandise. When local truck deliveries are permitted, the Except Local Deliveries Sign (R5-2-3) shall be mounted beneath the R5-2 sign.
 - (b) Size. The standard size of the R5-2 sign shall be 24" x 24".



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36" x 36"	15.8	12.8	9.8	11.3	5,6	6.4	3	0.6	1	B3-36
48" x 48"	21	17	13	15	7.5	8.5	4	0.8	1.2	B3-48

COLOR:

SYMBOL AND BORDER:
BLACK (NON-REFLECTORIZED)

CIRCLE AND SLASH: RED (REFLECTORIZED)

BACKGROUND: WHITE (REFLECTORIZED)

APPROVED FOR THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

By: all Clour

Date : 02-29-12

Chief, Traffic Engineering and Permits Section Bureau of Maintenance and Operations

W16-103P

DISTANCE AHEAD PLAQUE

The Distance Ahead Plaque (W16–103P) may be used below any standard warning sign or regulatory sign to indicate the distance to the condition cited by the warning sign or regulatory sign. Normally distances used should be in an increment of 500'. When used with a warning sign, the W16–103P sign shall have the same background color as the warning sign with which it is displayed. When used with a regulatory sign, the W16–103P sign shall have a yellow background.

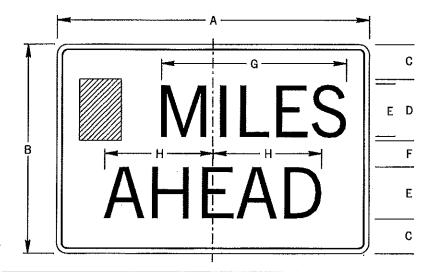
The 36" x 24" size should be used with 48" x 48" and larger warning signs and regulatory signs wider than 36".

The W16–103P sign may be used below the Weight Limit Sign (R12–1) when the sign is used as an advance warning of a weight limitation. As an advance warning of a bridge limitation, it shall be used in conjunction with the Bridge Sign (R12–1–2). When the distance to the restriction is 1 mile or less, the distance shall be rounded to 1 MILE, 3/4 MILE or 1/2 MILE, except as follows:

- a. When the distance to the restriction is less than 1/2 MILE, the distance shall be rounded to the nearest multiple of 500 FT.
- b. When the distance to the restriction is less than 500 FT, the distance shall be rounded to the closest 100 FT.

When the distance to the restriction is greater than 1 MILE, the distance may be rounded to the nearest whole integer or nearest 1/4 MILE.

When used, the W16-103P sign shall be placed at the intersection nearest each end of the restricted bridge or section of highway which would allow drivers an opportunity to avoid the restriction.



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36" x 24"	4	7*	6D	3	22.1	13	0.6	8.0	B5-3624

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COLOR:

LEGEND AND BORDER: BLACK (NON-REFLECTORIZED)

BACKGROUND:

YELLOW OR FLUORESCENT YELLOW-GREEN (REFLECTORIZED) APPROVED FOR THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

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Date: 02-29-12

Chief, Traffic Engineering and Permits Section Bureau of Maintenance and Operations Mr. Holmes stated that Christina Falcone has applied for the position of a full-time school crossing guard, and after being interviewed, is recommended to be hired for said position.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Maszgay, to hire Christine Falcone to the position of full-time school crossing guard. Motion carried.

Mr. Holmes stated that Roberta Davis has applied for the position of part-time school crossing guard, and after being interviewed, is recommended to be hired for said position.

A motion was made by Mr. Holes, second by Mr. Collini, to hire Roberta Davis to the position of part-time school crossing guard. Motion carried.

Mr. Holmes stated that Anthony Mangee has been interviewed for the position of part-time police officer and is being recommended that Mr. Mangee be hired for said position.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Collini, to hire Anthony Mangee as an extra police officer serving on a part-time basis for the Borough of Vandergrift from time to time on an hourly or daily basis as needed. Motion carried.

Mr. Holmes stated that Dennis Burns, 116 Linden Street, has applied for a Persons With Disability Parking Place. He stated that Mr. Burns does meet the criteria set forth in the ordinance and it is recommended that this application be approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to approve the aforementioned handicap parking application for Dennis Burns. Motion carried.

Mrs. McClarnon questioned if these handicap parking spaces are available for all individuals with handicap disabilities.

Mr. Holmes stated that these spaces are to be used by the permitted handicapped person only.

Mr. Holmes reported that plans are being made to install and/or reposition the proper truck signs to direct truck traffic to Donghia Lumber Company. He also stated that PennDot will be contacted to show some streets in town are not adequate for truck safety.

Chief Caporali stated that the Department received 368 calls, issued 6 traffice and 6 non traffic citatios, issued 8 illegal parking tickets, and made 12 criminal arrests.

A motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Collini, to accept the Police & Public Safety Report. Motion carried.

BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT:

No Report

TREE & LIGHT REPORT:

Chairperson McClarnon reported that the tree at 101 Hamilton Avenue has been removed. She stated that the contractor was injuryed at the site.

Mrs. McClarnon stated that she will have the tree located at 112 2 Holmes Street and the tree located on Custer Avenue removed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wilson, second by Mr. Collini, to accept the Tree & Light Report. Motion carried.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

No Report

RECREATION REPORT:

Chairperson Uskuraitis reported that he will be winterizing this pool.

Mrs. McClarnon questioned whether Council will be advertising for a new pool manager for the 2022 season.

Mr. Uskuraitis stated that this matter will be addressed January, 2022.

Mrs. McClarnon questioned whether the camera at Kennedy Park are down.

Mr. Uskuaritis stated that he believes the camera are still working.

Chief Caporali stated that he would check on this matter.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wilson, second by Mr. Collini, to accept the Recreation Report. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Holmes stated that anyone working for the Borough must provide the proper certificates of insurance.

Mr. Uskuraitis questioned if bids are requested for tree trimming and removing.

Mrs. McClarnon stated that if Mr. Uskuraitis came to a Tree Committee meeting or called her he would know what is going on.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. McClarnon questioned if Council would allow residents to ask questions through the Zoom medium. She stated that she would run this matter through the Solicitor for the purpose of obtaining an legal rendering.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Marylee Kessler, 426 Hancock Avenue, spoke on behalf of the request of Allusion Brewing to expand their business.

A motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to return to the regular of business. Motion carried.

RECESS:

A motion was by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Maszgay, to recess the meeting until Monday, November 8, 2021, beginning at 7:00 p.m., for the purpose of the Budget & Finance Committee to present the proposed Budget of the Borough of Vandergrift for the fiscal year 2022. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT

RECESSED MEETING OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021

NOVEMBER 8, 2021

The Council of the Borough of Vandergrift met in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 7:00 pm., with President Chvala presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lenny Collini Karen McClarnon
Tom Holmes Christine Wilson
John Uskuraitis Kathleen Chvala

Casimer Maszgay

OTHER OFFICIALS:

Barbara Turiak, Mayor Stephen DelleDonne, Secretary

At this time President Chvala stated that the purpose of this recessed meeting of November 1, 2021 is for the purpose of presenting the proposed budget of the Borough of Vandergrift for the fiscal year, 2022. She stated that following the presentation of the proposed 2022 Budget, Council, if approved, can move to advertise the proposed 2022 budget of the Borough of Vandergrift for public inspection until 3:30 pm, Monday, December 6, 2021.

At this time, the Secretary presented and reviewed, in detail, the contents of the proposed General Fund Budget, the Vandergift Park & Pool Budget, and Special State Aid Budget of the Borough of Vandergift for the fiscal year, 2022.

 General Fund Budget 	\$ 2,494,510.00
2. Park & Pool Budget	124,622.00
3. Special State Aid Budget	226,636.00
4. Total	\$ 2,846,768.00

The Secretary stated that the tax rate for 2022 will remain at 28 mills. However, he stated that the Budget Committee is recommending an increase in the Borough's Refuse Fee of \$1.00 per month or \$81.00 per quarter, currently \$78.00 per quarter.

A motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Collini, to increase the Borough's Refuse fees from \$78.00 per quarter to \$81.00 per quarter. Motion carried.

The Secretary stated that this increase of the refuse fees with be enacted by resolution during the December 6th meeting.

With no objections or further comments on the proposed 2022 Budget of the Borough of Vandergrift, a motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Collini, to advertise the 2022 Budget of the Borough of Vandergrift for public inspection until 3:30 pm, Monday, December 6, 2021, with the final adoption of the Budget to be enacted at the regular meeting of December 6, 2021. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Holmes, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT

SPECIAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 24, 2021

The Council of the Borough of Vandergrift met in a Special Session in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 3:30 pm, with President Chvala presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was reciting.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lenny Collini

Tom Holmes

Kathleen Chvala

Christine Wilson

John Uskuraitis

Casimer Maszgay

OTHER OFFICIALS:

Barbara Turiak, Mayor

Stephen DelleDonne, Secretary

At this time, President Chvala stated that this Special Meeting is being held for the purpose of acting on the resignation of a member of Council.

VISITORS:

No comments from visitors attending.

Mrs. Chvala presented a letter a correspondence from Mrs. Karen McClarnon addressed to Kathy Chvala, President of Council, and to Stephen DelleDonne, Secretary, informing both of her immediate resignation from the Vandergrift Council; dated November 21, 2021. (See page 1-A)

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to accept Mrs. Karen McClarnon's resignation from the Vandergrift Borough Council, effective immediately.

President Chyala called for a Roll Call vote of the motion on the floor.

The Secretary stated that a Yes indicated in favor of motion and a No opposes.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Mr. Holmes	X	
Mrs. Wilson	х	
Mr. Uskuraitis	Х	
Mr. Maszgay	х	
Mr. Collin	x	
Mrs.Chvala	х	

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

The Secretary stated that the motion on the floor to accept Mrs. Karen McClarnon's resignation from the Vandergrift Borough Council carried with 6 members voting in favor and 0 opposing.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 pm.

November 21, 2021

To:

Kathy Chvala, President Steve Delledonne, Secretary

Kathy and Steve,

This correspondence is to inform you of my immediate resignation from the Vandergrift Council. I am resigning because, as detailed in my federal lawsuit I have been prevented from performing the duties of my elected office, from representing the interests of the people who elected me to Council and my family/or I have been subjected to physical threats and brutal beatings. Unfortunately, the horror of the assault to which I was subjected did not shock those who have prevented me from performing my elected duties into ceasing their unconstitutional conduct.

I ran for Vandergrift Council to make a change and represent my constituents who voted me into this position. The good people of Vandergrift Borough deserve better from their government.

I will continue to pursue my federal lawsuit. I hope for better days for this community.

Karen McClarnon