

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT

MINUTES OF THE VANDERGRIFT COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 4, 2022

The Council of the Borough 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.

Prior to Roll Call, President Chvala introduced Steve Zemba and Danny Anthony as the newly hired full-time officer to the Vandergrift Police Department.

At this time, Mayor Collini administered the swearing of the aforementioned patrolmen.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jody Sarno	Tom Holmes
Christine Wilson	Daisha Clayton
John Uskuraitis	Kathleen Chvala
Marilee Kessler	

OTHER OFFICIALS:

Lenny Collini, Mayor	Stephen DelleDonne, Secretary
Shey Kraft, Solicitor	Joseph Caporali, Police Chief
Lucian Bove, Engineer	

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the March 7, 2022 meeting were approved by motion of Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mrs. Kessler. Motion carried

VISITORS:

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

At this time Mayor Collini introduce Representative Abby Major, who will be replacing Representative Jason Silvis after the November elections.

Ms. Major stated that she will be representing the Borough of Vandergrift as the representative in the Pa. State Legislature after the November elections. She stated that she from Ford City. She also stated that she is an Army veteran and a funeral home director. She stated that she will remain after the meeting to answer any questions or concerns.

Chloe Kruse, 162 Grant Avenue, questioned when Council will open the parks.

President Chvala stated that the parks will open April 30<sup>th</sup>, following the preparation and inspection of the facilities.

Bethany Jones, representing the Rock Church of Spring Church, requested use of Kennedy Park provide activities for the youth "Fun Days" on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month.

Mr. Uskuraitis suggested that Ms. Jones reach out to the Vandergrift Lions Club to the possibility of using there pavilion.

Don Detar, 213 Lowell Street, thanked Council for erecting a 25 mph sign on Lowell Street.

Karen Cramer, 916 Holland Street, stated that she is acting as volunteer for VBA that is sponsoring a "Gathering on Grant Avenue" event to be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday on May, June July and August. She stated that volunteer help will be welcomed.

Deborah Pugliese, 505 1/2 Linden Street, addressed Council in regards to the activities of the youth in the area and speeding problem on Kennedy Way. She questioned if Council could approve the installation of speed bumps on Kennedy Way.

President Chvala turned this matter over to the Police & Public Safety Committee for review and recommendations.

Betsy Fusillo, 500 Linden street, requested that something be done about the condition of the structure located at 411 Linden street.

President Chvala stated that the Code Officer has recently notified the new owner about the matter.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wilson, second by Mr. Holmes, to return to the regular order of business. Motion carried.

OPENING OF BIDS:

At this time, the Secretary open and read the bids received regarding the 2022 Street Reconstruction Project using CDBG funds. (See page 3-A: Bid Tabulation Sheet)

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to award the bid on the 2022 Street Reconstruction Project to A. Folino Construction, the low bidder at \$147,109.74, contingent upon the review of bid received and final approval of the Westmoreland County Department of Planning. Motion carried with Mrs. Wilson abstaining.

Engineer Bove stated that the low bid is \$9,959.74 higher than the County's allocation amount. He stated that he will contact the County for the purpose of requesting additional funding for this project.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Collini thanked Jason Silvis and Abby Major for coming to the meeting. He also welcomed Officer Zemba and Officer Anthony to the Vandergrift Police Department.

Mayor Collini stated the an Easter Egg Hunter will take place this Sunday at Kennedy Park at 10:00 am sponsored by the Vandergrift Library. He stated that the Library will also be having "Storytime in the Park"

Mayor announced that "Clean-up Day" will be held April 30<sup>th</sup>.

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Secretary presented and reviewed Debt Statement of the Vandergrift Borough as of December 31, 2021. (See page 3-B)

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT:

The Secretary reported that the Code Officer issued 23 notice violations and 4 citations during the month of March.

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

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**BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT  
2022  
STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT  
USING CDBG FUNDS  
BID TABULATION**

Bid Opening: April 4, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Item	Description	Qty.	Units	1st		*		2nd	
				Unit Price	Cost	Unit Price	Cost	Unit Price	Cost
				A. Folino Construction, Inc.		Tresco Paving Corp.		Mele & Mele And Sons, Inc.	
Bidder Name:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
Bid Bond:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
References:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
Public Works Verification Form:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
Non-Collusion Affidavit:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
County Section 3 Forms:				Yes		No		Yes	
1	Rotomill	6,344	SY	\$2.76	\$17,509.44	\$3.00	\$19,032.00	\$5.50	\$34,892.00
2	Soft Area Repair	492	SY	\$14.89	\$7,325.88	\$16.00	\$7,872.00	\$24.00	\$11,808.00
3a	Lamphole Adjustment Riser Rings	2	EA	\$48.86	\$97.72	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$350.00	\$700.00
3b	Manhole Adjustment Riser Rings	5	EA	\$278.62	\$1,393.10	\$250.00	\$1,250.00	\$450.00	\$2,250.00
4	1/2" Leveling Course	402	TN	\$113.58	\$45,659.16	\$107.00	\$43,014.00	\$115.00	\$46,230.00
5	1 1/2" Wearing Course	828	TN	\$90.73	\$75,124.44	\$107.00	\$88,596.00	\$105.00	\$86,940.00
<b>TOTAL COST OF PROJECT:</b>					<b>\$147,109.74</b>		<b>\$160,264.00</b>		<b>\$182,820.00</b>

Item	Description	Qty.	Units	3rd		4th		5th	
				Unit Price	Cost	Unit Price	Cost	Unit Price	Cost
				Shields Asphalt Paving, Inc.		Derry Construction Company, Inc.		West Penn Paving, LLC	
Bidder Name:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
Bid Bond:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
References:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
Public Works Verification Form:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
Non-Collusion Affidavit:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
County Section 3 Forms:				Yes		Yes		Yes	
1	Rotomill	6,344	SY	\$5.00	\$31,720.00	\$4.55	\$28,865.20	\$7.25	\$45,994.00
2	Soft Area Repair	492	SY	\$26.00	\$12,792.00	\$33.50	\$16,482.00	\$25.00	\$12,300.00
3a	Lamphole Adjustment Riser Rings	2	EA	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$350.00	\$700.00	\$200.00	\$400.00
3b	Manhole Adjustment Riser Rings	5	EA	\$425.00	\$2,125.00	\$350.00	\$1,750.00	\$450.00	\$2,250.00
4	1/2" Leveling Course	402	TN	\$115.00	\$46,230.00	\$117.00	\$47,034.00	\$125.00	\$50,250.00
5	1 1/2" Wearing Course	828	TN	\$113.00	\$93,564.00	\$117.00	\$96,876.00	\$118.00	\$97,704.00
<b>TOTAL COST OF PROJECT:</b>					<b>\$186,931.00</b>		<b>\$191,707.20</b>		<b>\$208,898.00</b>

No Bids were received from: Daniels Excavating or J.M. Paving, Inc.

\* Note that the Bid from Tresco Paving Corporation contained conditions which can not be accepted and is therefore rejected. Please also note that this bid did not include the required County Section 3 Forms.

**BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT  
DEBT STATEMENT**

Title of Purpose of Debt	Year of Issue	Term	Gross Debt Outstanding at Beginning of Year January 1, 2021	Amount Paid During Year 2021	Gross Debt Outstanding at end of Year December 31, 2021
Police Car	2019	4 yrs.	\$19,129.34	\$10,968.03	\$8,161.31
Mack Refuse Truck	2020	5 yrs.	\$184,401.89	\$50,241.60	\$134,160.29
Penn Vest Loan	2016	30 yrs.	\$7,086,645.54	\$247,966.32	\$6,835,679.22
2021 Ford F-600 Dump	2021	4 yrs.	\$59,003.00	\$15,566.65	\$43,436.35
2017 Mini Street Sweeper	2016	4 yrs.	\$3,787.80	\$3,787.80	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$7,352,967.57</b>	<b>\$328,530.40</b>	<b>\$7,024,437.17</b>

COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE:

The Secretary presented the following correspondence received:

Exhibit 1-A: Joyce Corbin, Secretary of New Hope Outreach Ministry.

Subject: Requesting use Kennedy Park for Saturday gathering on June 18, June 25<sup>th</sup>, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 30<sup>th</sup>, August 13<sup>th</sup> or August 20<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to approve this request. Motion carried.

Exhibit 2-A: Vanessa Goholski, Director Vandergrift Library.

Subject: Request of Kennedy Park and Franklin Avenue Park to provide this summer "Storytime in the Park".

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Sarno to approve this request. Motion carried.

REGULAR & STATED BILLS:

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

STREET & SANITATION REPORT:

Chairperson Wilson reported that there is a water drainage problem from 37<sup>th</sup> Street that is causing deterioration to Bryant Street. She stated that she will need to rent a min-excavator to perform the work.

Mrs. Wilson reported that there are multiple humps and cracks on Oak Street that developed over an existing sewer line. She also stated that this may be repaired with Liquid Fuel Funds, along with other street projects.

Mrs. Wilson reported that 2 catch basins have overflowed on Alabama Avenue. She stated that the sewer line was cameraed revealing a collapse in the line. She requested that the Engineer look into this problem.

Mrs. Wilson stated that the Department recently had a problem with bed bugs during the pick-up of furniture, such as sofas and mattresses. She suggested that the residents wrap these items for pickup. She requested the Solitor look into amended the ordinance regarding the collection of these types of items.

Exhibit 1-A



## New Hope Outreach Ministry

*"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest"*

*"Matt 11:28"*

March 8, 2022

Chris,

New Hope Outreach Ministry located in the building at First United Methodist Church 134 Custer Ave. Vandergrift would like to gather at Kennedy Park for a Saturday in the upcoming months. We have picked out some dates throughout the summer that we are hoping are available for us, June 18<sup>th</sup>, June 25<sup>th</sup>, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 30<sup>th</sup>, Aug 13<sup>th</sup>, or Aug 20<sup>th</sup>. We would like to opportunity for our organization to hold two gathers at the park. Please let us know what dates are open.

Please contact Paster Harvey at 412-427-2394 for any additional questions and availability of the park.

Thank you,  
Joyce Corbin

Secretary of New Hope Outreach Ministry



Vandergrift Public Library  
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724-568-2712 Vanessa.Groholski@windline.org  
www.vandergriftpubliclibrary.org



March 29, 2022

Vandergrift Municipal Building  
109 Grant Avenue  
Vandergrift, PA 15690

Dear Vandergrift Park and Recreation Committee,

The Vandergrift Public Library would like to request the use of the two local parks this summer for Storytime in the Park. In year's past we only focused on Kennedy Park but we want to be able to reach everyone in the community by providing the program at each park twice in July.

- Kennedy Park: Tuesdays at 11:00am on July 5 & 12
- Franklin Park : Tuesdays at 11:00am on July 19 & 26

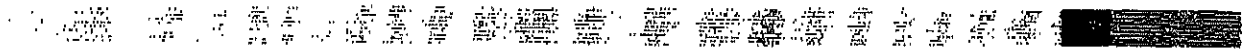
Children of all ages are invited to participate in storytime and craft/activity. These storytimes in the park have been very well attended in the past summers.

Please let me know if we are allowed to use the space for this event. Last year, we had a conflict with the KVL football practices in Kennedy Park. It is my hope, that we can coordinate use of space for all organizations by submitting the requests in a timely fashion..

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Vanessa Groholski  
Director





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

#### ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Engineer Bove referred members to his monthly Engineer's Report. (See pages 5-A & 5-B)

Engineer Bove stated that he contact Hallie Chatfield, Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority in regards to fire structure located 906 Holland Street.

Engineer Bove stated that he would like to perform a study in regards to problems on Arizona Avenue with an oversize truck.

A motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Holmes, to approve the aforementioned matter. Motion carried with Mrs. Wilson abstaining. Motion carried.

Engineer Bove requested that Council advertise for bids for the Sale of Timber within the Project 70 property to be opened at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, with bids being received no later than 3:30 pm on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mrs. Kessler, to approve the aforementioned matter with Mrs. Wilson abstaining.

Engineer Bove discussed the placement of an 8" inch sewer within the Columbia Avenue Parking lot, which is part of the Westmoreland Conservation District Project. He suggested that a meeting be held with the utilities at the site.

A motion was made Mr. Holmes, second by Ms. Clayton, to approve the aforementioned request. Motion carried with Mrs. Wilson abstaining.

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

#### BUDGET & FINANCE REPORT:

Chairperson Clayton stated that members of Council were provided with copies of the General Fund Budget, State Aid Fund Budget and the Pool Budget as of March 31, 2022.

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

#### POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

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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Vandergrift Borough Council  
109 Grant Avenue  
Vandergrift, Pennsylvania 15690

March 29, 2022

Attention: Stephen J. DelleDonne, Borough Secretary  
Reference: Engineer's Report for April 4, 2022 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. & 7<sup>th</sup> Street**

We're keeping an eye on Sherman at 7<sup>th</sup> Street to verify whether or not the water issue has returned or if it remains an MAWC water leak issue. The Borough has a 2-year maintenance bond.

**2021 Casino Theater and Library Building Improvement Project \***

**Roofing Replacement**

Work is tentatively scheduled to start in April as weather permits. Fuller Roofing is awaiting material delivery. Total Contract cost for Bids 1A and 2A is \$105,948

\*Please note that the Initial **Project and Expenditure Report** for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) is **due April 30, 2022**. According to the final rule documentation, it appears that they have modified the revenue lost calculation requirements which should streamline the reporting and documentation requirements. We will need login to the online system in order to prepare and submit the report.

**2022 CDBG Street Reconstruction Project**

We conducted the field work and prepared the plans and specifications. Bids are to be opened at this meeting.

**Project 70 Timber Harvest**

We worked with the Forester on the bid requirements. The Timber sale is ready to be advertised. See agenda items.

**Driveway Permits** (No New permits issued in March – see agenda items for the driveway at 229 Whittier)

**Olmsted Commons**

We are looking forward to the scheduling of the Volunteer Committee meeting and meeting with the arborists.

**Joseph A. Petrarca Memorial Swimming Pool Rejuvenation Project - DCED Grant**

We prepared and submitted the request for a one-year time extension and received the extended Grant Agreement.

**DCED Local Share Account Statewide Grant**

The 2 grant applications were submitted and copies were sent to Council, Jason Silvis and James Brewster. Jason Silvis provided support letters to DCED for both applications.

**Street Excavation Permits** (No New permits issued)

**Abandoned and/or Unsafe Buildings**

**Completed Demolitions**

326 Longfellow Street - Abandoned former Salon and Apartment Building - Complete.

**Demolitions Approved for 2022 County Demolition Funding**

109 Washington Avenue - Former Twin County Lodge Home Association

111 Washington Avenue – Former Brock Automotive

**Notice of Unsafe Structural Conditions**

117½ (Rear) Longfellow Street - Abandoned 3 Bay Garage with Apartments on upper levels

122 Franklin Avenue - Abandoned Residential Structure

**Sewer Issues** (None)

**Proposed Sewer Connection of Homes in Allegheny Townships along LaBelle Vue Road** – We are awaiting an update from Allegheny Township.

**Columbia Avenue Street-Tree, Pervious Sidewalk and Parking Lot Rain Garden Project**

We are still trying to determine the best location to connect into the combined sewer line on Sherman Avenue. It appears that there is no sanitary sewer on 4<sup>th</sup> Street and that homes are connected on Columbia Avenue where the line is 10 feet deep. The WCD is considering connecting into the catch basin at the corner in front of the gas station. This inlet apparently connects to the manhole in the middle of the intersection (dye testing is needed to confirm). This alignment will require a pipe along the south edge of Sherman (PennDOT portion) and an inlet at the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Sherman to which they propose to connect the 8-inch underdrain pipe from the Stormwater Management BMP's by running down 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Underground utilities identified in 4<sup>th</sup> Street are Peoples Gas, MAWC Water and Verizon Telephone/Fiber.

**REQUESTED AGENDA ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION OR DISCUSSION**

**2022 CDBG Street Reconstruction Project**

Open bids and authorization to award the project to the lowest bidder (contingent upon the Engineer's review of the bids and the County Planning Dept. approval). This project was specifically approved for *early 2022* funding.

**Driveway Permit - 229 Whittier Street (David Conley)**

Authorization to re-issue the driveway permit with the construction requirements from the original permit, plus any additional conditions as may be required by Council. - List of recommended Special Conditions:

1. Submit the required \$500.00 Security Deposit.
2. Protect the Street, Lawns, Curbs and Sidewalks to remain from Damage.
3. Protect the Sanitary Sewer Manhole and Pipes from Damage.
4. Replace the threaded plastic caps on all damaged sewer cleanouts.
5. Install Cast Iron frame(s) and cover(s) over all Sewer Cleanouts within the driveway.
6. Complete the Driveway construction within 3 months from the date of permit issuance.

**906 Holland Street**

Fire damaged structure discussion and authorization to proceed as directed by Council.

**Arizona Avenue Complaint of Street Damage**

Authorization to investigate, inspect and report on the complaint of street damage caused by unauthorized or overweight truck, to prepare engineering weight limit study and/or to proceed as directed by Council.

**Project 70 Timber Harvest**

Authorization to advertise the Timber Sale bids, approval of location and time of bid opening, and the advertisement for bids to be opened during the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Council meeting. Forester, Dave O'Barto will be available to attend.

**Columbia Avenue Street-Tree, Pervious Sidewalk and Parking Lot Rain Garden Project**

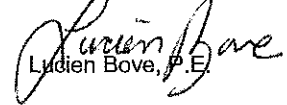
Authorization for assistance from the Borough crew to perform dye testing of the catch basins along Sherman Avenue, to confirm they are connected and to verify the connection locations. *Still want to go down 4<sup>th</sup> Street*

**37<sup>th</sup> Street Drainage and Heave issue**

Authorization to meet on-site with the Borough staff to review the water flow issue and make recommendations.

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

Respectfully submitted,

  
Ludien Bove, P.E.

Chairperson Holmes stated that the Committee has interviewed John Gourley for the position of full-time school crossing guard.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuaritis, to hire John Gourlely to the position of full-time school crossing guard. Motion carried.

Chief Caporali reported the following activity of the Vandergrift Police Department for the month of March:

1. Responded to 221 calls from 911.
2. Issued 22 traffic citations.
3. Issued 33 non traffic citations.
4. 3 criminal arrests.

A motion was made by Mr. Sarno, second by Mrs. Wilson, to accept the Police & Public Safety Report. Motion carried.

#### BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT:

Chairperson Sarno reported that there are no more issues with water entering the police station door now that the drainage line was cleared. He stated that he will have a contractor complete the work in front of the police station door within the next few weeks.

Mr. Uskuraitis requested Mr. Sarno to look into some painting work at the No. 1 Fire Department.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Ms. Clayton, to accept the Building & Grounds Report. Motion carried.

#### TREE & LIGHT REPORT:

Chairperson Kessler reported that the present weather does not permit her to look for dead limbs on the Borough trees.

Mrs. Kessler stated that there will be tree experts from PennState to come in to town for the purpose of indentifying the various trees in the Borough.

A motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Holmes, to accept the Tree & Light Report. Motion carried.

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

No Report

RECREATION REPORT:

Chairperson Uskuraitis informed Council that Michelle Terry of Allegeny Twp. is willing to perform the duties of pool manager for the 2022 season.

A motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Holmes, to hire Michelle Terry as the pool manager for the 2022 season pending a successful background and clearance check. Motion carried.

Mr. Uskuraitis stated that on April 13<sup>th</sup>, Lou Schmidt will be in to perform some pipe inspection for the purpose of locating pipe leaks. He stated that the 89,000 remaining on the DCED Pool Grant will be applied to repairing all leaks and other needs at the pool.

Mr. Uskuraitis stated that the local girl scout troupe will be cleaning and painting the facilities at Kennedy Park. He also stated that he will be spreading top soil to fill in the ruts, followed by grass seeds.

On another matter, a motion was made by Mr. Uskuraitis, second by Mr. Holmes, to permit the "Vandergrift Holiday Extravaganza Event" on the first weekend of December, 2022. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Sarno, to accept the Recreation Report. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Solicitor Kraft stated that Deborah Lugo may have purchased the fire structure at 906 Holland Street at a Sheriff Sale, of which was not found in a recent title search finding. He recommended that a demolition process begin through the Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority.

Solicitor Kraft presented for Council's consideration to adopt a policy whereby it requires any organization to provide insurance certificates to protect the Borough from legal actions, claims, demands, suits, or judgements that may be filed against the Borough from an incident during each event.

The Secretary stated that the complete document regarding the aforementioned matter will be provided in the May packet.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Holmes stated that Officer Nathaniel Rigatti has provided a letter of resignation from the Vandergrift Police Department effective April 18, 2022, (See page 8-A)

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mrs. Wilson, to accept Officer Rigatti's letter of resignation. Motion carried.

Mr. Holmes stated, with vacancy, the list of eligibility list of candidates for the position of police officer now allows Council to select an individual to replace Officer Rigatti.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mrs. Wilson, to offer Ms. Ada Vega the position of employment as a full-time police officer of the Vandergrift Police Department, contingent upon Ms. Vega obtaining a successful background check and other compliances. Motion carried.

Ms. Clayton stated that the Giant Mobile Market will not be happening any time soon in Vandergrift. She stated that Giant Eagle can perform a small pickup at the store twice a week, with an order being a least \$35.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, second by Mr. Uskuraitis, to move forward with this arrangement with Giant Eagle.

Mrs. Kessler informed Council about a "Blight Boot Camp" at the Westmoreland County Community College on April 22nd. She stated that there is a \$35.00 fee to attend.

Mrs. Kessler reviewed the Annual "Earth Day" cleanup on April 30<sup>th</sup> and a "Community Watch meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>. (See 8-B)

Mrs. Kessler discussed the One Community/Many Generations Survey to be conducted by PennState.

Mrs. Kessler reported that the parking meter baskets are ready to be installed and that she will be working with Vern Sciuillo

Mrs. Kessler stated that the Code Officer has been working with the Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority in regards to the blighted houses in town.

8-A

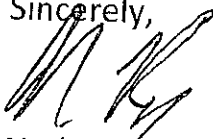
Nathaniel Alan Rigatti  
3052 Sportsman Road  
Apollo PA 15613  
724-681-3777

April 4, 2022

To: Joseph Caporali, Chief of Police,  
Vandergrift Borough Council

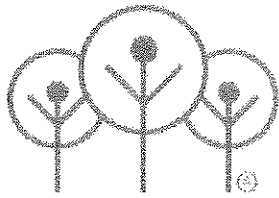
It is with a heavy heart, that I write this letter. Please accept this letter as a resignation from my employment with Vandergrift Borough. As of April 20, 2022, I have accepted employment in another police department. I would like to thank Chief Caporali and Council for giving me the opportunity to work in Vandergrift Borough. It has allowed me to grow as a police officer and I enjoyed my time. I hope that my time of employment was impactful as well.

I will be working my last shift on April 18, 2022 and request my full resignation take affect upon my current accrued days. Again, thank you, and I wish you the best moving forward.

Sincerely,  
  
Nathaniel Alan Rigatti



# ***Vandergrift Spring Cleanup April 30, 2022***



K E E P A M E R I C A  
B E A U T I F U L

## **WE NEED YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY**

Join your neighbors and friends for a morning of hard work and fun during Vandergrift's Spring Cleanup Day 2022 .

Earth Day is April 22, , and we are holding the cleanup Saturday April 30. Officer Gray is again working with the Vandergrift Police Department, Vandergrift Improvement Program /Neighborhood Watch , the Borough, the Fire Departments, Organizations and individuals, especially our young folks who want to help make a difference and Welcome Spring . At the end of the day, you'll be tired but smiling.

**MEETING TIME AND LOCATION AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY, AND THE AREAS SLATED FOR CLEANUP WILL BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY, PLEASE STAY TUNED.**

If you cannot attend the group cleanup, you are encouraged to spend some time on your own block and help by gathering up and bagging the "memories of winter" that we are all anxious to remove.

If you would like any further information, please check the "It's your community" facebook page and leave a message, or call or text Marilee at 724-454-1625, or leave a message for Officer Gray. Thanks! It will be a lot of fun! Make it a family affair.



COMMENTS-QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS:

Karen Cramer stated that she believes that Deborah Lugo has purchase the house at 906 Holland Street.

Mrs. Geltz stated that she talked to Ms. Lugo about this property who has indicated that she has gotten no notification of the purchase of this property.

Ms. Cramer requested that the Borough provide some millings for the rear of her property at Longfellow Street Extension.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.