

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

DATE: August 7, 2023

The Council of the Borough of Vandergrift will meet in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 7:00 pm, with President Chvala presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

OTHER OFFICIALS:

Lenny Collini, Mayor	Stephen DelleDonne, Secretary
Larry Loperfito, Solicitor	Theresa Geltz, Asst. Secretary
Lucian Bove, Engineer	Joseph Caporali, Police Chief

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Approval of July 3, 2023 minutes.

VISITORS: (3 minute limitation per commenter)

OPENING OF BIDS:

1. None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- 1.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

1. 2024 CDBG Block Grant Application – Due by Sept. 30, 2023.

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT:

1. Issued 33 notice violations and filed 3 citations in July.

COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Westmoreland County-250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary-Time Capsule.
2. S & S Real Estate Service-Request to have a dumpster at 501 Jackson-10 units.

APPROVE REGULAR & STATED BILLS:

STREET & SANITATION REPORT:

1. Trimmed 28 low hanging trees limbs.
2. Cut up large tree that fell across creek and parking lot at the pool.
3. Cleaned debris from creek at the pool.
4. Removed 12 parking meter poles on Washington Avenue.
5. Worked on removing graffiti from stage at Kennedy Park.
6. Beech Street sink hole.
7. Sherman Avenue sink hole.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

1. See attached

BUDGET & FINANCE REPORT:

1. Distribute monthly General Fund, Pool Fund, and State Aid budge reports.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

1. Accept resignation of Jennifer Redemer as full-time crossing guard.
2. Move Ron Harshman from part-time to full-time crossing guard.
3. Move to hire Bethany Allera as a part-time police officer.

BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT:

1. Update on current projects.
2. Library security cameras.

TREE & LIGHT REPORT:

1. No Report

GENERAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

1. No Report

RECREATION REPORT:

1. Updates on Pool Project and other recreation matters.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss placing a stop sign on Wallace Street.
2. PA WalkWorks consulting grant.
3. Limit number of gambling machines/establishments in town.
4. Request permission to move forward with the Solar Project.

ADJOURNMENT:

## Engineer report and agenda items

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

Please see below my report and requested agenda items for the August 7, 2023 Council meeting.

Engineer Report:

1. 2023 CDBG Street Resurfacing Project –Work to start in July and will be substantially complete as of 8/2/23.
2. 2023 Paving & Patching Liquid Fuels Project – Work completed in June.
3. Vandergrift Pool Rejuvenation - DCED GTR Grant – Liner restoration work substantially completed 7/15/23.
4. Olmsted Commons - Working on the electrical contract requirements, plan and quantities.
5. Columbia Avenue Parking Lot Stormwater Mitigation Project – Submitted 5 page plan set to WCD, started on requested changes/additions/details and additional plan views, title sheet, etc.
6. Unsafe Structures / Conditions – Inspected 2 structures for unsafe conditions 419A Hancock and 158 Sherman.
7. DCED 2023 Multimodal (MTF) Grant Program Application – Submitted 7-28-23 and \$100 application fee paid (due before July 30<sup>th</sup>).
8. 714/716 Wallace (former church at corner of Emerson) – Request to use existing driveway for new business.
9. Beech Street Sink Holes – Field inspected street and conditions. Appears to be a water issue undermining the street and affecting the sewer trench backfill. Note that there are 14 waterline break patches on 43<sup>rd</sup> Street which is uphill of Beech and there are current waterline leaks, and there are several new PA one call markings for excavations. This line is constantly being patched. Basements of homes on Beech have been flooded from past waterline breaks. Also note that PNG replaced gas lines on both sides of Beech Street in 2019 creating numerous water transport paths. The old gas lines were left under the street which may also be collecting and carrying water under the street and sidewalks.

Requested agenda items:

1. 2023 Paving & Patching Liquid Fuels Project – Request Approval of Payment Estimate No. 2 for retainage only (maintenance bond received).
2. 2023 CDBG Street Reconstruction Project - Request Approval of Payment Estimate No. 1 final with 5% retainage.
3. 2024 CDBG Application – Request List of Streets and Authorization to submit a CDBG application (due Sept. 2023).
4. Vandergrift Pool Rejuvenation - DCED GTR Grant – and Request approval of KGD Contracting Payment Estimate No. 2 for retainage. Request approval or discussion regarding Renosys Invoice.

I may need to attend another Council meeting and bid opening. If so, I will be available by cell phone to answer any questions and to assist with items duly added to the agenda during the meeting. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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