

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

DATE: July 1, 2024

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Marilee Kessler	Thomas Holmes
Christine Wilson	Jody Sarno
Rae Ann Bruner	
Daisha Clayton	

OTHER OFFICIALS:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Approval of June 3, 2024 minutes

VISITORS: (3 minute limitation per commenter)

OPENING OF BIDS:

1. 2024 Liquid Fuel Street Patching Project.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- 1.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

1. Present a letter of resignation from John Uskuraitis as a member of the Vandergrift Council effective June 8, 2024.
2. Present a letter from Bryan Young to be considered to fill vacancy position on Council left By John Uskuraitis.

Engineer agenda items for July 1, 2024

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

Please see my requested agenda items below for the Monday, July 1, 2024 Council meeting:

1. **Olmsted Commons Park Development Project** –Awarding and Rejecting Bids (see award recommendation report)
2. **2024 Liquid Fuel Patching Project** - Open Bids, Accept / Award
3. **Grant Avenue & McKinley Street & ADA Ramp Reconstruction** (DCED Grant) Received Contract. Invoice Submitted. DD Enrollment. Engineering commenced. **Auth. Adv.**
4. **Ninth Street Retaining Wall Replacement Project** (DCED Grant) Preliminary Engineering commenced
5. **Columbia Avenue Parking Lot Rain, Gardens & Tree Pits** – MH Uncovered. Good condition for conn. & access for sewer insp.
6. **Subdivision Plan** – California Avenue Proposed Vacation Subdivision Plan (received 6-26-24)
7. **411/413 Linden** - (former Moose Lodge) Proposed Parking Lot, Plan Review, Driveways, Stormwater Management, ZHB Hearing
8. **2024 CDBG Project** – Plans, Specifications, Engineering commenced
9. **Casino Theater Phase 2** - Plans, Specifications, Engineering commenced
10. **PNG Gas Line Replacement Projects**
 - a. Franklin Avenue Project – On hold
 - b. Sherman Avenue Project Phase 2 (Sherman, 6 St. and 11th St.) Near Complete
 - c. Washington Avenue Project (Hancock, Custer, 16th, 15th and Washington) Near Complete
 - d. Fourth Street Project – Near Complete
 - e. Sherman Avenue Project Phase 1 - this year
 - f. Columbia Avenue (11th Street) Project - September
 - g. Grant Ave. & McKinley Crossings Project – Under construction
 - h. Longfellow Street Project 2025 (CDBG)
 - i. Indiana Ave. - Spot (grass)
 - j. Longfellow Street - 2 Spot Repairs (grass)
 - k. LaBelle Vue Project –Under design
11. **MAAT Agreement for LaBelle Vue Road Sewer Connection**
12. **Parking Pad** – 118 Homles
13. **Any Engineering related Items added to the agenda**

Items requiring board action are shown in **Bold** print. If anyone has any questions, or If any additional items are required, please let me know as soon as possible. I plan to attend the meeting and will be available to answer any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lucien Bove, PE

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT:

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COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Stephen Jurovic: Concern about safety at Sherman & Farragut. New 3 way stop or Traffic Light.
2. Until the Whole Word Knows Ministry: Request to use Kennedy Park on August 31th for Purpose of hosting a praise and worship concert.

APPROVE REGULAR & STATED BILLS:

STREET & SANITATION REPORT:

1. PennDot made a mechanical patch on Longfellow Street.
2. Discovered 1 buried man-hole on Sherman and 1 on 12th Street.
3. Will be starting painting street markings
4. Cleaned and fixed up Veterans Memorial Park next to Vandergrift Bridge.
5. Discuss condition of the Recycling Truck.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

1. See attached

BUDGET & FINANCE REPORT:

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

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

1. Extend a conditional offer of employment to Vincent Zottolo for the position of part-time Police officer.
2. Gina Gibson, 185 Sherman Avenue, submitted an application for handicap parking.
3. Act on the resignation on Bethany Allera from the Vandergrift Police Department.

BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT:

1. Building & Grounds: Update on recently completed and ongoing projects.
2. Release of funds of \$14,000 from the Act 13 Fund to accept bid "A" on the Olmsted Project contingent upon DCNR approval, no bids approved for options B and C.

TREE & LIGHT REPORT:

1. See attached

GENERAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

1. Accept John Uskuraitis resignation from the Vandergrift Borough Council.

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6/26/2024 9:45 AM

June 2024 Tree and Light Report

To Vandergrift Borough Secretary <vgborosec@comcast.net>

Lights:

239 Sherman- 3rd report still out
Kennedy Drive- 3rd Report still broke
218 Franklin
102 E Adam's
311 Elm

Trees:

112 Sumner removed
Multiple tees trimmed throughout borough by borough workers

2. Appoint a new person to fill the Council seat by vacancy of John Uskuraitis.
3. Possible hiring of a new Code Officer.
4. Act of hiring a full-time police officer.

RECEATION REPORT:

1. No Report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. Delibration/Action on Davis Field Lease by Kiski Valley Lancers.
2. Resolution NO. 6-2024-Appointment of Member of Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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NEW BUSINESS:

1. Update/Discussion existing pending activities. See attached
2. Dead pine tree on North Folk Southern property near the Vandergrift Bridge.

ADJOURNMENT:

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Police Committee Report—to be presented using report from Chief Caporali

Update/Discussion revisiting existing pending activities

1. Re-installation of Vandergrift Borough sign on the Borough Building, with installation of letter “V” and an evergreen planting to be done prior to Art Festival (July 28)
2. Location of Greenway sign—from Conservation District to be determined and project begun asap
3. Resolution of support for Alle-Kiski Intergovernmental resolution regarding EMS Crisis in Pennsylvania White Paper
4. Cooperation with VFW and American Legion to refresh the area honoring those who have served in the military. If signs are to be replaced, both veterans organizations have said they will consider funding the project. POW flag to be added to site. Our borough crew, with councilwoman Wilson worked hard to clear the overgrowth in that area.
5. Blight Project activity and follow up..