

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

DATE: October 7, 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	Bryan Young
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 August 5, 2024 minutes

VISITORS: (3 minute limitation per commenter)

OPENING OF BIDS:

1. None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Announcements.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

1. No Report

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT:

1. The Code Officer issued 40 notice violations, issued 3 citations, and attended 3 court hearings.

COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE:

1. No. 1 Fire Department.
2. No. 2 Fire Department

APPROVAL OF REGULAR & STATED BILLS:

STREET & SANITATION REPORT:

1. Winter hours for collection of garbage is back to 7:00 am to 3:00.
- 2, Recycled dumpsters.

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. Hire Peter Forestieri as a part-time police officer.
2. Handicap parking request for Diane Girainy, 268 Sherman Avenue.

BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT:

1. Update on Olmsted Commons Project.
2. In regards to the purchase of a Heating & AC for the police station, motion was made by Mr. Sarno, second by Mrs. Wilson to award to Saxion Heating & Air. Motion carried.
3. Update on delinquent letters.

TREE & LIGHT REPORT:

1. See report.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

1. Activate the Civil Service to prepare an eligibility list for the hiring a full-time police officer.

RECEATION REPORT:

1. Grant for Pickle Ball Court came through.
2. Fence was obtained for repairing the fence at Kennedy Park.
3. Pool winterized at end of the month.
4. Need dead tree at the pool cut down.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Finalization of the location of the Vandergrift Gateway Monument.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ms. Clayton to update ATP grant.

ADJOURNMENT:

Engineer agenda items for October 7, 2024

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

The following are my requested agenda items for the Tuesday, October 7, 2024 Council meeting:

1. **Grant Avenue & McKinley Street Reconstruction** (CEAP Grant) Preconstruction meeting held 9-25-2024. Preconstruction minutes, agreements, required forms and documents submitted. Work to be completed either before 10-11 or after 10-14 due to the scheduled event on Grant Avenue.
2. **Olmsted Commons Park Development Project** – Contractor moving in this week. The car and millings need to be removed. We have 3 Options according to our new DCNR Project Manager, one of which will need to be selected. See Olmsted correspondence forthcoming.
3. **Casino Theater & Library Building Improvement Project – Phase 2** – ADA Parking spaces are not be feasible on the site as they would take up the entire area to meet ADA required slopes for the pad and access ramps and other parking spaces will be lost. Discussion with the CTRM indicate that their current drop-off method to accommodate ADA patrons and entertainers works well. For this reason, and also due to the reduced award amount from DCED, we are planning to omit the ADA parking. I am planning to meet with the Librarian regarding the plaster work which will be included along with the pointing, sealing and window replacements.
4. **Ninth Street Retaining Wall Replacement Project** (CEAP Grant) Site meeting to be scheduled with the Geotechnical Engineers to obtain cost and tech. proposals.
5. **Columbia Ave. Parking Lot Rain, Gardens & Tree Pits** – The WCD tentative schedule for the project to be advertised for bids is fall 2024 or winter. A PennDOT HOP still may be required to access the MH on Sherman which may affect the schedule.
6. **Subdivision Plan** – No update for the California Avenue Plan and the Legal documentation required for the Quiet Title.
7. **411/413 Linden** - (former Moose Lodge) Proposed Parking Lot, Driveways & Stormwater Management Plan. No update (Anticipate a ZHB Hearing Application).
8. **2024 CDBG Project** – County Planning has authorized advertising. Therefore, in order to avoid added costs and multiple bid addenda for constantly changing Davis Bacon Wage Rates, we need to know from Council **the Bid Opening date and anticipated Completion Date for the work** (i.e. Fall 2024 or spring 2025).
9. **2025 CDBG Application** – Submitted. Copy of submitted application will be presented during the meeting.
10. **MS4 Waiver Application** – Authorization for signatures, \$500 fee to Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and confirmation that the **NOI Contact names and numbers** are the same as those submitted for original waiver. (If possible, please have the check available at the meeting).
11. **DCED LSA Category 4 Grant Application** – Submitted. Copy of submitted application will be presented during the meeting.
12. **219 – 225 Grant Avenue Partial Building Collapse** – Progress slowly being made. 11th Street is open. Several items have yet to be accomplished.

13. 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) Complete.
- d. Fourth Street Project –Complete.
- e. Sherman Avenue Project Phase 1 – Near complete.
- f. Columbia Avenue Leak Project (11th Street) – According to PNG the revised start date is planned for November 29, 2024.
- g. Grant Ave. & McKinley Crossings Project –Complete.
- h. Longfellow Street Project – Planned for August 20, 2025 (Note - this street is to be paved under the 2024 CDBG project).
- i. LaBelle Vue Project – Under design. Please advise of any concerns or issues regarding the plans submitted. Anticipate an application being filed soon.
- j. 429 Franklin – Permit Pending.

14. MAAT Agreement for LaBelle Vue Road Sewer Connection – No update

15. 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 be available to answer any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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