

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

DATE: September 7, 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lenny Collini	Thomas Holmes
Christine Wilson	Karen McClarnon
Kathleen Chvala	John Uskuraitis
Casimer Maszgay	

OTHER OFFICIALS:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. August 2, 2021.

VISITORS: (3 minute limitation per commenter)

OPENING OF BIDS:

1. Bids on the Casino Theater Roof.
2. Sale of Mini Street Sweeper.
3. Bids on 2021 Street Reconstruction Project: Sherman, Hamilton and 7th St.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. No Report

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

1. Present the 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation requirement for Vandergrift Police Pension Fund. (See attached)

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT

COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPON:

1. Kiski Area High School-request to use the Ellen Toy Grass Volleyball Court at Kennedy Park on Monday, September 13th.
2. Vandergrift Business Association: Tour of Vandergrift Event.

APPROVE REGULAR & STATED BILLS:

STREET & SANITATION REPORT:

1. Fence at Davis Field, along 24th Street, is in bad condition and the water off this street is eroding the hillside.
2. Road paint for crosswalks, curbs and parking places is on back order.
3. Proposed Olmsted Park-Using road millings to provide temporary parking.
4. Mini Street Sweeper – Highest bid is \$25,000.00
5. Meeting with Peoples Natural Gas Co regarding restoration on Jackson Ave., West Adams, and East Adams Avenue.
6. Linden Street- MAWC had a water main break that caused the erosion of lower portion of Linden Steet, from Chestnut to the concrete seam .

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

1. See attached.

BUDGET & FINANCE REPORT:

1. Monthly budget report.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

1. Hiring of two part-time police officers.
2. Activate Civil Service Commission-Review & update Civil Service Rules & Regulations.
3. Handicap parking request- Renewed Life Church -305 Emerson Street.

BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT:

1. Discussion/official action regarding the Casino Theater, expenditures and Lease.

TREE & LIGHT REPORT:

1. Planned trimming of various trees in town.
2. Request to have bench reinstalled at the island at the top of Washington Ave.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

1. Discussion of the Comcast Agreement, which will expire 9/10/2021.

RECREATION REPORT:

1. No Report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. See attached.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Report from Chicken Committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

**BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT POLICE RETIREMENT PLAN
FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT AND MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION
FOR 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

A. Normal Cost

1. Normal Cost as a Percent of Payroll	22.885%
2. Estimated 2021 Payroll for Active Participants	\$ <u>552,661</u>
3. Normal Cost (A1 x A2)	\$ <u><u>126,476</u></u>

B. Financial Requirement

1. Normal Cost (A3)	\$ 126,476
2. Anticipated Insurance Premiums	0
3. Anticipated Administrative Expense	31,502
4. Amortization Payment, if any	<u>0</u>
5. Financial Requirement (B1 + B2 + B3 + B4)	\$ <u><u>157,978</u></u>

C. Minimum Municipal Obligation

1. Financial Requirement (B5)	\$ 157,978
2. Anticipated Employee Contributions (6.23% of Estimated Payroll)	34,431
3. Funding Adjustment, if any	<u>10,987</u>
4. Minimum Municipal Obligation (C1 - C2 - C3)	\$ <u><u>112,560</u></u>

NOTES:

1. 2022 General Municipal Pension System State Aid may be used to fund part or all of the municipal obligation and must be deposited within 30 days of receipt. Any remaining balance must be paid from municipal funds.
2. Deposit into the Plan's assets must be made by December 31, 2022 to avoid an interest penalty.
3. Any delinquent Minimum Municipal Obligation from prior years must be included in the 2022 budget along with an interest penalty.

I hereby certify that the above calculations, to the best of my knowledge, are true, accurate, and conform with the provisions of Chapter 3 of Act 205 of 1984.

Certified By:

Chief Administrative Officer

Date

Prepared using the January 1, 2019 Valuation.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

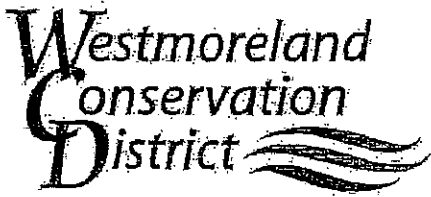
I am respectfully requesting the following items to be placed upon the agenda for action to be taken at the above referenced Council meeting:

- Open Bids for the 2021 CDBG Street Reconstruction Project and (if funding has been approved by the County) considerations for awarding the Bid to the lowest responsible Bidder.
- Open Bids for the 2021 Casino Theater and Library Building Improvement Project and considerations for awarding of Bids to the lowest responsible bidders for various aspects of the work (Bid 1 Flat Roofing, Bid 2 Sloped Roofing, Bid 3 Masonry Repointing, Bid 4 Plaster Repairs).
- Consideration of approval to move forward with the proposal to participate with PennDOT and the WCD for the Columbia Avenue Sidewalk & Parking Lot Project as Offsite Stormwater Management Mitigation for the Salina Bridge Replacement with construction costs provided by PennDOT and construction oversight provided by the WCD. (See attached letter and information).
- Consideration of the Final List of Streets for the 2022 CDBG Application.
- Consideration for the Locations of the Large and Small Stainless Steel "V" Shaped Monuments to either move forward with the original locations which require PennDOT Approval or to move forward with alternate locations outside of the PennDOT Right-of-Ways.

Attention Building Committee! With this email, I would like to request a field view meeting with the Building Committee at the Casino Theater and Library Building to go over the items of work and options for which bids are being sought (advertised today). I need to verify a few things inside the building and this will be a good opportunity to view the conditions. I am aiming for Tuesday August 31st at 11 AM. I will need Anthony Ferrante to gain access to the various areas and the Library should be open at that time. Please respond if you will be able to attend at this time. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Exhibit 2-A

August 25, 2021

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Vandergrift Borough Council
 Attn: Stephen J. Dell'Onnie
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 Vandergrift, PA 15690

RE: PennDOT Stormwater Mitigation Project
 Columbia Avenue Sidewalk and Parking Lot

Dear Vandergrift Borough Council,

The Department of Transportation (PennDOT) intends to replace the Salina Bridge over the Kiskiminetas (Kiski) River near the town of Salina and Edmon. The Salina Bridge links Kiskiminetas Township, Armstrong County, and Bell Township, Westmoreland County. PennDOT and the Westmoreland Conservation District (WCD) would like to partner with Vandergrift Borough to control post construction stormwater runoff at an off-site mitigation area, at a sidewalk and parking lot area along Columbia Avenue (see enclosed conceptual design) owned by Vandergrift Borough. Proposed conceptual design includes extending the pervious concrete pavers to continue the phase 1 sidewalk completed in 2010. We would also install multiple rain gardens within the borough parking lot to infiltrate stormwater runoff. The purpose is to mitigate for the stormwater impacts generated by the construction of State Route 1060 Salina Bridge crossing the Kiski River.

All costs including design, permits (if required), construction and inspection associated with the Columbia Avenue Sidewalk/Parking Lot Stormwater Management Project will be covered by PennDOT. WCD will design the project in partnership with Vandergrift Borough and PennDOT, and WCD will bid the project and oversee construction. The Borough will need to provide PennDOT and WCD access to the project area and perform long term operation and maintenance to the installed stormwater best management practices (BMPs). The BMPs proposed will have a low maintenance level and low maintenance cost (i.e. mowing and managing vegetation).

The WCD is requesting the borough/landowner's approval to move forward with the conceptual proposal in partnership with PennDOT and the WCD for the Columbia Avenue Sidewalk/Parking Lot Project as Offsite Stormwater Management Mitigation for the Salina Bridge replacement.

If Council decides to move forward with this project, I would be more than willing to attend a future council meeting to discuss the project further. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call at (724) 837-5271 or send an email to Chelsea@wcdpa.com.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Walker
 Watershed Program Manager

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Enclosure: Concept drawings

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2021

GENERAL MEETING:

1. Update regarding nuisance properties:
 - a. 326 Longfellow Street
 - b. 109 Washington Avenue
 - c. 111 Washington Avenue
 - d. 337½ Longfellow Street
2. Deliberation/Official action regarding: Shade Tree Ordinance and Guidelines
3. Deliberation/Official action regarding chickens in the Borough.