

BOROUGH OF VANDERGRIFT

MINUTES OF THE VANDERGRIFT COUNCIL

APRIL 1, 2019

The Council of the Borough of Vandergrift met in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m., with President Chvala presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathleen Chvala	Casimer Maszgay
Peter Basile	Vernon Sciallo
Christine Wilson	James Rametta
Lenny Collini	

OTHER OFFICIALS:

Barbara Turiak, Mayor	Stephen J. DelleDonne, Secretary
Larry Loperfido, Solicitor	Theresa Geltz, Asst. Secretary
Lucien Bove, Engineer	Joseph Caporali, Police Chief

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the March 4, 2019 meeting were approved by motion of Mr. Rametta, second by Mr. Sciallo. Motion carried.

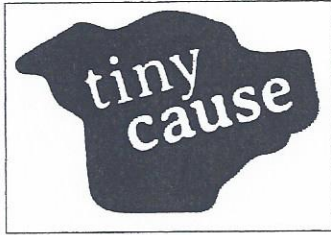
VISITORS:

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mrs. Wilson, to hear from visitors at this time. Motion carried.

James Held, 211 Holmes Street, requesting Council's permission to use 3 or 4 parking spaces in the Columbia Parking Lot for the purpose of hosting a Mobile Cat Clinic on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 to 4:00. (See page 1-A)

Debbie Beatty, 241 Bryant Street, addressed Council in regards to repairing a sewer break at the Vandergrift Presbyterian Church at 195 Washington Avenue. (See Exhibit 1-A on page 3)

Don Detar, 213 Lowell Street, again requested that something be done about the Borough employees throwing the refuse cans on his block.



1April2019

Dear Council,

TinyCause is requesting permission to utilize approximately 3 or 4 parking spaces in the parking lot across from Tiny's Fur Family Shop at 131 Columbia Avenue on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> 2019 from 8-4. We are hoping to host a Mobile Cat Clinic with Animal Friends to provide high low cost spay/neuter services to help eliminate pet overpopulation in our area. Their mobile resource center is 34' in length, 12' high and weighs approximately 23,000 pounds and they need to park on a level, paved surface. We will provide the needed recovery space at Tiny's Fur Family Shop therefore it needs to be parked as close to the shop as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Darla Held".

Darla Held

(owner)

TinyCause is a 501c3 tax exempt organization.

Our tax ID # is 81-3738847

<https://www.facebook.com/OurTinyCause/>

Mr. Sciuлло stated that he would look into this matter again.

Jim Williams, 126 Oregon Avenue, requested that Council do something about the condition of Pa. Avenue.

Mrs. Wilson stated that Pa. Avenue is scheduled for work this year.

A motion was made by Mr. Rametta, second by Mr. Collini, to return to the regular order of business. Motion carried.

#### OPENING OF BIDS:

At this time the Secretary opened and read aloud bids received for installing a Swimming Pool Liner at the Vandergrift Pool. (See page 2-A-Bid Tabulation)

Mr. Basile stated that the coping around the pool is in disrepair and would cause problems to the liner after it was installed, and therefore, he would contact the bidders if they would be willing to hold their bids until the fall. He stated that repairs to the pool will be made in order to open the pool this year. He stated that the pool is in bad shape.

Mr. Basile stated that he has an individual coming to the pool who has a polymer material to patch the pool, other than concrete. He also stated that it is recommended to paint only flooring of the pool in order to save money.

Following a discussion on this matter, a motion was made by Mr. Basile, second by Mr. Maszgay, to reject the bids and readvertise these bids in the fall. Motion carried.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Secretary stated that he had notified the Vandergrift Civil Service Commission regarding Council's request for an eligibility list for the position of "Lieutenant". (See page 2-B)

The Secretary informed Council that the Vandergrift Civil Service Commission has posted a letter at the Vandergrift Police Station regarding the position of Lieutenant. (See page 2-C)

A motion was made by Mr. Sciuлло, second by Mr. Rametta, to accept the Secretary's Report. Motion carried.



2-A

VANDERGRIFT BOROUGH  
 2019  
 JOSEPH A. PETRARCA MEMORIAL POOL  
 SWIMMING POOL LINER INSTALLATION PROJECT  
 USING BOROUGH FUNDS

BID TABULATION  
 Bids Opened April 1, 2019

Item	Description	Qty.	Units	1st		2nd	
				Unit Price	Cost	Unit Price	Cost
1	Extraordinary Surface Preparation	1,000	SF	\$ 10.00	\$ 10,000.00		
2	Normal Surface Preparation and PVC Liner Installation	1	LS	\$ 83,685.00	\$ 83,685.00		
<b>TOTAL COST OF BID:</b>					\$ 93,685.00		\$ 133,553.00

**Note: No bids were received from 21st Century Pools or Andy's Pool Shop**  
**Note: Due to time necessary and cost of coping repair/replacement, Council has rejected all bids with the intent to re-bid the project for work to be done after the 2019 season and before the 2020 season.**

Bidder Name:  
 References/Documentation Provided:  
 Public Works Verification Form:  
 Non-Collusion Affidavit:

**1st**  
**Renosys Corporation**  
 (Aquatic Renovation Systems, Inc.)  
 YES  
 YES  
 YES

**2nd**  
**Natare Corporation**  
 YES  
 YES  
 YES

KATHY CHVALA  
PRESIDENT BOROUGH COUNCIL

2-B  
BARB TURIAK  
MAYOR

## *Borough of Vandergrift*

Larry D. Loperfito  
Solicitor

Office of the Secretary  
Stephen J. DelleDonne  
Phone: 724-567-7818  
109 Grant Avenue  
Vandergrift, PA 15690  
[www.vandergriftborough.com](http://www.vandergriftborough.com)

Joseph M. Caporali  
Chief of Police

March 5, 2019

Vandergrift Civil Service Commission  
c/o Thomas Holmes, Secretary  
512 Bryant Street  
Vandergrift, Pa. 15690

Re: Creation of an Eligibility List  
"Position of Lieutenant"

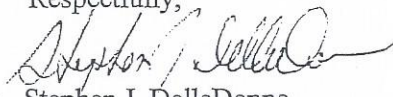
Dear Mr. Holmes:

As Secretary for the Vandergrift Borough Council, I have been directed to notify the Vandergrift Civil Service Commission that the Vandergrift Borough Council is requesting the creation of an "Eligibility List" for the position of "Lieutenant".

Upon receipt of this notice, please contact members of the Vandergrift Civil Service Commission for the purpose of holding a meeting to begin the process of providing the Vandergrift Borough Council with an Eligibility List as requested.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 724-567-7818.

Respectfully,



Stephen J. DelleDonne,  
Borough Secretary

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March 29, 2019

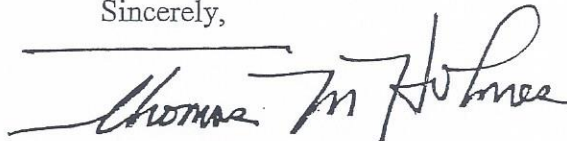
## POSITION FOR LIEUTENANT

The Vandergrift Borough Council is interested in forming a pool of qualified candidates to be promoted to the position of "Lieutenant for the Vandergrift Police Department.

All interested and qualified parties must submit a letter of interest, along with any other pertinent information to their qualification in accordance with Vandergrift Borough Police Civil Service Rules and Regulations to the Office of the Borough Secretary, 109 Grant Avenue, Vandergrift, PA no later Monday April 15, 2019 at 3:30 p.m.

Questions concerning this process should be directed to the undersigned at 724-882-6957.

Sincerely,



Thomas M. Holmes  
Secretary  
Vandergrift Civil Service Commission

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Mr. Young reported that he issued 15 notices, 3 citations, and had 8 cars removed. He stated that he attended four hearings at the magistrate's office.

Mr. Young presented a report from Bureau Veritas regarding three unsafe structures: 127 Grant Avenue, 109 Jefferson Avenue, and 303 Lowell Street. ( See pages 3-A thru 3-C).

Mr. Young stated that Tarentum Borough is placing Red X's on unsafe structures in order to warn firemen of the danger in entering the building during a fire response. He stated that we already have this provision and wanted to see if the firemen would welcome this practice.

Mr. Sciallo stated that the firemen would welcome this practice.

Mr. Basile questioned where Tarentum obtains these signs.

Mr. Young stated that he has cited the owner of the building at 127 Grant.

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

COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE:

Exhibit 1-A: Debbie Beatty, Vandergrift Presbyterian Church.

Subject: Sewer repair matter discussed under visitor's part of meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mrs. Wilson, to approve request. Motion carried.

Exhibit 2-A: Brian Putignano, President, Festa Italiana of Vandergrift.

Subject: Request use of Kennedy Park, and other items, for their annual festival.

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mr. Rametta, to approve the aforementioned matter. Motion carried.

Exhibit 3-A: Kyle Harris, President of Kiski Valley Lancers.

Subject: Permission to use Kennedy Park for football and cheerleading practices from July 22, 2019 and run thru early November.

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mr. Basile, to approve the aforementioned request. Motion carried.





3-A

**BUREAU  
VERITAS**

March 11, 2019

Amy Bufalini  
103 Walnut Street  
Vandergrift, PA 15690

RE: 127 Grant Avenue, Vandergrift Borough – Unsafe Structure

Dear Ms. Bufalini,

On March 11, 2019 our Building Inspector Martin Frawley conducted an inspection of the above listed property. The findings are as follows:

*127 Grant Avenue appears to be a danger to the Health, Safety & Welfare to the residents of the Borough. The roof appears to be caved in thus creating stress on the main floor walls and there are cracks in the block walls. The building is also not secured from entry and creates a hazard should anyone enter the structure. See attached pictures.*

For your reference, I have enclosed the code section from Act 45 the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code that I must follow when a structure is deemed unsafe. Should you refuse to comply with the Borough's request to remedy this problem, I will follow these guidelines and the associated penalties set within the law.

Making a final determination as to the ability to remediate the property would entail a full structural analysis by a licensed engineer. It is my professional opinion based on what may be visibly observed from outside, that this structure would need extensive repair that may possibly cost more than the value of the property. Should you choose to remediate the property, a UCC Building Permit would be required and "stamped engineered drawings" would be necessary or if you decide to demolish the structure, you must obtain a Demolition Permit as well.

The immediate concern involves the ability to easily access the property and the area surrounding the structurally compromised building. Should this attempt fail to yield a positive result to secure the property, I recommend the Borough and myself as the Building Code Official exercise legal ramifications within Act 45 the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code.

Feel free to contact Grant Kanish, BCO, at 724-812-6283 concerning this issue.

Sincerely,

Gail Greenia, Acting BCO  
UCC Certification (#006362)  
Bureau Veritas North America, Inc.

Cc: Vandergrift Borough

Bureau Veritas North America, Inc.  
204 Butler Road  
Suite 3  
Kittanning, PA 16201

Phone: (866) 378-7717  
Fax: (724) 548-1403  
www.us.bureauveritas.com





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**BUREAU  
VERITAS**

March 11, 2019

Joshua Fouse  
109 Jefferson Avenue  
Vandergrift, PA 15690

RE: 109 Jefferson Avenue (Garage Apartment), Vandergrift Borough – Unsafe Structure

Dear Ms. Bufalini,

On March 11, 2019 our Building Inspector Martin Frawley conducted an inspection of the above listed property. The findings are as follows:

*127 Grant Avenue (Garage Apartment) appears to be a danger to the Health, Safety & Welfare to the residents of the Borough. The roof appears to be caved in thus creating stress on the main floor walls. See attached pictures.*

For your reference, I have enclosed the code section from Act 45 the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code that I must follow when a structure is deemed unsafe. Should you refuse to comply with the Borough's request to remedy this problem, I will follow these guidelines and the associated penalties set within the law.

Making a final determination as to the ability to remediate the property would entail a full structural analysis by a licensed engineer. It is my professional opinion based on what may be visibly observed from outside, that this structure would need extensive repair that may possibly cost more than the value of the property. Should you choose to remediate the property, a UCC Building Permit would be required and "stamped engineered drawings" would be necessary or if you decide to demolish the structure, you must obtain a Demolition Permit as well.

The immediate concern involves the ability to easily access the property and the area surrounding the structurally compromised building. Should this attempt fail to yield a positive result to secure the property, I recommend the Borough and myself as the Building Code Official exercise legal ramifications within Act 45 the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code.

Feel free to contact Grant Kanish, BCO, at 724-812-6283 concerning this issue.

Sincerely,

Gail Greenia, Acting BCO  
UCC Certification (#006362)  
Bureau Veritas North America, Inc.

Cc: Vandergrift Borough



March 11, 2019

Manirath Saynyarack  
3504 Walleye Way  
Round Rock, TX 78665

RE: 303 Lowell Steet, Vandergrift Borough – Unsafe Structure

Dear Ms. Bufalini,

On March 11, 2019 our Building Inspector Martin Frawley conducted an inspection of the above listed property. The findings are as follows:

*303 Lowell Street appears to be a danger to the Health, Safety & Welfare to the residents of the Borough. The roof appears to be caved in thus creating stress on the main floor walls. Further, there are broken windows and the back door is open. The building is not secured from entry and creates a hazard should anyone enter the structure. See attached pictures.*

For your reference, I have enclosed the code section from Act 45 the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code that I must follow when a structure is deemed unsafe. Should you refuse to comply with the Borough's request to remedy this problem, I will follow these guidelines and the associated penalties set within the law.

Making a final determination as to the ability to remediate the property would entail a full structural analysis by a licensed engineer. It is my professional opinion based on what may be visibly observed from outside, that this structure would need extensive repair that may possibly cost more than the value of the property. Should you choose to remediate the property, a UCC Building Permit would be required and "stamped engineered drawings" would be necessary or if you decide to demolish the structure, you must obtain a Demolition Permit as well.

The immediate concern involves the ability to easily access the property and the area surrounding the structurally compromised building. Should this attempt fail to yield a positive result to secure the property, I recommend the Borough and myself as the Building Code Official exercise legal ramifications within Act 45 the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code.

Feel free to contact Grant Kanish, BCO, at 724-812-6283 concerning this issue.

Sincerely,

Gail Greenia, Acting BCO  
UCC Certification (#006362)  
Bureau Veritas North America, Inc.

Cc: Vandergrift Borough



Exhibit 1-A

## Vandergrift Presbyterian Church

195 Washington Avenue  
Vandergrift, PA 15690

Rev. F. Neal Galley  
Cell Ph: 724-980-7480



Telephone: 724-568-2917  
[www.vandergriftchurch.org](http://www.vandergriftchurch.org)

March 7, 2019

Dear Vandergrift Borough Leaders,

Please accept this letter and request from the Vandergrift Presbyterian Church. Our address is at 195 Washington Avenue. For the past few months we have been having problems with our sewer system. After several quotes from contractors, and through the use of their underground cameras, it has been determined that there is a break in the line at the connection to where our line connects with the main sewer line on Washington Avenue. It appears that the main line has settled and as a result has separated from our connection to the church line.

The contractor that we would like to use has been in touch with several people from Vandergrift Borough to which it was stated that he would have to dig from curb to curb in fixing the problem with the sewer. This is a procedure that is requested by all contractors, per borough regulations. That is quite an expense for any organization, business as well as a church. For the Vandergrift Presbyterian Church to fix the problem it would be approximately \$40,000. This would entail fixing the problem with the sewer, as well as dig up the pavement curb to curb, mill it, get rid of any dirt and old asphalt, and repave the road. Our concern is that the problem could be corrected with a patch of approximately 15' by 15' of the road being dug up and repaired and not having to go curb to curb as was stated to us by the contractor. This procedure could be done at an approximate cost of \$20,000.

We as the Property Committee of the Vandergrift Presbyterian Church session, are requesting your consideration in allowing the church to move forward in correcting this ongoing problem with the broken pipe and issues with the sewer in allowing our contractor to only dig what is necessary to eradicate our problem on the premise that all work that is done to the street will be repaired correctly. Allowing this to happen would be a huge savings to the church and much appreciated by not only the church session but to the Covenant Partners, the congregation, of the church as well.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please feel free to reach out to those named below with any questions or concerns you may have as we look forward to hearing from you with an answer so that we may move forward in this project.

Sincerely,

Jerry Long 724.727.3295

Jim Kelly 724 478.1282

Debbie Beatty 724.567.6589

The Property Committee of the Vandergrift Presbyterian Church





# *Festa Italiana di Vandergrift*



Post Office Box 115—Vandergrift, PA 15690

[www.Festaitaliana.us](http://www.Festaitaliana.us)

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Borough of Vandergrift  
109 Grant Avenue  
Vandergrift, PA 15690

Dear Council,

The Festa Italiana di Vandergrift committee is requesting the use of Kennedy Park for our Festival on Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

We request the use of the field from Wednesday August 7<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday August 13<sup>th</sup> for setup and cleanup.

We are requesting Jackson Avenue to be turned into a one-way street from 24<sup>th</sup> Street to Walnut Street and Kennedy Drive one way from Walnut Street to 24<sup>th</sup> Street on the day of the Festa.

This is similar to what we have requested for past Festas.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thanks so much for your help!

Grazie!

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brian Putignano'.

Brian Putignano  
President, Festa Italiana di Vandergrift 2019  
(724) 882-9375  
[festaitaliana@comcast.net](mailto:festaitaliana@comcast.net)

cc: Kiski Valley Lancers Football  
413 Linden Street  
Vandergrift, PA 15690



**Kiski Valley Lancers**  
126 Lafayette Street  
Vandergrift, PA 15690



April, 2019

To the Council of Vandergrift Borough,

On behalf of the officers of the Kiski Valley Lancers Youth Football Organization (KVL), I would like to request permission for the use of Kennedy Park for football and cheerleading practices this football season. Practices begin July 22, 2019 and run through early November.

Practices are held Monday through Friday from approximately 5:30 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. As KVL has done in years prior, we will make the necessary changes in order to accommodate special events that are held at the park.

Your support of KVL is very much appreciated. Should you have any questions or need any additional information please contact me at (724) 980-7124.

Thank you,

Kyle Harris,  
President, KVL

REGULAR AND STATED BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

None

STREET & SANITATION REPORT:

No Report

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Engineer Bove reported that he has obtained bid quotes for repairs to the Borough Garage rear wall at \$25,000 and \$2,000 to \$3,000 for repair to the No. 1 Fire Department Trial Pier.

Mr. Bove review costs of sewer backup issue for Dave Hill at \$9,800, and approximately \$3500 for internal inspection of large storm sewer pipe which runs next to Mr. Hill's house; camera sewer line on Lincoln Avenue; and inspect the laterals of Washington & 13<sup>th</sup> Street.

Mr. Bove stated that he has contacted an individual to assist the Borough in establishing a forest management plan. He will send maps of the area to the individual.

Mr. Bove stated that a property wants to build a driveway to Wallace Street, but his property does not touch Wallace Street. He wants to go across his neighbor's property, of which, his neighbor is agreeable to this.

Solicitor Loperfito stated that a recorded right-a-way agreement will be needed and he would need to meet with the Engineer before an opinion is given.

A motion was made by Mr. Scullo, second by Mr. Rametta, to spend \$2000.00 to \$3000.00 for the pillar repairs at the No. 1 Fire Department. Motion carried.

A motion was made Mr. Scullo, second by Mr. Maszgay, to direct the Engineer to obtain quotes for the sewer repairs at the property of Dave Hill. Motion carried with Mrs. Wilson abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Scullo, second by Mr. Rametta, to accept the Engineer's Report. Motion carried.

BUDGET & FINANCE REPORT:



No Report

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

Chairperson Collini stated that Dennis DelleDonne has resigned his parking meter enforcement position.

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mr. Ramett, to accept Mr. DelleDonne's resignation. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mr. Rametta, to hire Ada Vega, as an extra police officer serving on a part time basis for the Borough of Vandergrift from time to time on an hourly or daily basis as needed. Motion carried.

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

BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT:

No Report

TREE & LIGHT REPORT:

Chairperson Maszgay reported that three (3) decorative light standards have been installed in the lower parking lot on Washington Avenue.

Mr. Basile stated that Anthony Ferrante has agreed to pay \$2900.00 for the installation of the light poles.


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

GENERAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

President Chvala presented for adoption Resolution No. 2-2019, of which, pertains to a grant application to the Department of Conservation & Natural Resources for the development of a Vandergrift Revitalization project at Washington Avenue. (See page 5-A)

A motion was made by Mr. Basile, second by Mr. Maszgay, to adopt Resolution No. 2-2019, and to authorize the President of Council to execute the Grant Agreement Signature Page. Motion carried.

President Chvala stated that she had sent each member of Council a letter explaining the progress and plans for the development of demolished properties on Washington Avenue.

 <b>pennsylvania</b> DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES	<b>RESOLUTION PAGE</b> No. 2-2019	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania www.dcnr.state.pa.us/grants
	<b>DCNR-2018-C2P2-19</b> <b>Applicant Information (* indicates required information)</b>	
Applicant/Grantee Legal Name: <b>VANDERGRIFT BOROUGH</b>		Web Application ID: <b>2001071</b>
Project Title: <b>Vandergrift Revitalization</b>		

WHEREAS, **VANDERGRIFT BOROUGH** ("Applicant") desires to undertake the project, "**Vandergrift Revitalization**" ("Project Title"); and

WHEREAS, the applicant desires to receive from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources ("Department") a grant for the purpose of carrying out this project; and

WHEREAS, the application package includes a document entitled "Terms and Conditions of Grant" and a document entitled "**Grant Agreement Signature Page**"; and

WHEREAS, the applicant understands that the contents of the document entitled "Terms and Conditions of Grant," including appendices referred to therein, will become the terms and conditions of a Grant Agreement between the applicant and the Department **if the applicant is awarded a grant**; and

**NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved that:**

1. The "**Grant Agreement Signature Page**" may be signed on behalf of the applicant by the Official who, at the time of signing, has **TITLE** of "**Council President**".
2. If this Official signed the "**Grant Agreement Signature Page**" prior to the passage of this Resolution, this grant of authority applies retroactively to the date of signing.
3. If the applicant is awarded a grant, the "**Grant Agreement Signature Page**", signed by the above Official, will become the applicant/grantee's **executed** signature page for the Grant Agreement, and the applicant/grantee will be bound by the Grant Agreement.
4. Any amendment to the Grant Agreement may be signed on behalf of the grantee by the Official who, at the time of signing of the amendment, has the "**TITLE**" specified in paragraph 1 and the grantee will be bound by the amendment.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the

Borough of Vandergrift Council  
(Identify the governing body of the applicant, e.g. city council, borough council, board of supervisors, board of directors)

of this applicant, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2019.

Kathleen Chuslo (Council President) Secretary, Stephen J. Pella  
Secretary (Signature of the Secretary of the governing body)



President Chvala stated that, with help of the Westmoreland Landbank, an application for funding will be submitted to the Department of Conservation & Natural Resources (DCNR). She stated that the site will include some parking spaces, park benches, permeable paving, and green spaces. She also stated that the Borough has committed \$30,000 to the project and ATI has pledged \$5,000. She stated that a meeting was held with a representative from DCNR, of whom, will review the grant application.

The Secretary stated that the Westmoreland County Conservation District will be involved the planning and development, with an emphasis of green space.

A motion was made by Mr. Collini, second by Mrs. Wilson, to accept the General Government Report. Motion carried.

#### RECREATION REPORT:

Chairperson Basile stated that two refuse receptacles have been acquired, with one placed in front of the police station and one in front of Bobbies Jewelers. He also stated that there will a refuse receptacle at each playground area.

Mr. Basile stated that work will begin on getting the skate park up and ready. He stated that pavement needs patch, the equipment needs anchored 8 feet apart, and the Skate Park Rules signs need to be hung.

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

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Solicitor Loperfito requested that Council call an executive session for the purpose of discussing a litigation matter.

At 8:10 pm, a motion was made by Mr. Sciuлло, second by Mr. Collini, to call an executive session for the purpose of discussing a litigation matter. Motion carried.

At 8:25 pm, a motion was made by Mr. Maszgay, second by Mr. Sciuлло, to return to the regular order of business and to state that no action was taken during the executive session. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Sciuлло, second by Mr. Rametta, to enter into a Mutual Aid Agreement to provide contributory police services. Motion carried.

Solicitor Loperfito recommended that an amendment to refuse ordinance to provide ways the Borough can limit the quantity and types of municipal waste to be collected. He also stated that he would like to create a more stringent citation procedure.



A motion was made by Mr. Basile, second by Mr. Collini, to approve the aforementioned matter as requested. Motion carried.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Maszgay stated that he would like to declare the property at 113 West Adams a hazard.

Solicitor Loperfido stated that Council can't make this declaration. He recommended that the Engineer to look into this matter. He also stated that he will contact the Westmoreland Tax Claim Department for the purpose of expediting this property towards a Judicial Sale.

Solicitor Loperfido explained that the owners/heirs have walked away from any interest in the property.

Mr. Maszgay stated that V.I.P, CTRAM, and the Vandergrift Historical Society are hosting a diner at Anna's on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. He stated can be obtained at Pomfret's Paint at \$30.00.

Mr. Maszgay stated the Sgt. Anthony DePanics received a certificate from the Veterans of Foreign Wars for adherence of the highest levels of law enforcement.

President Chvala questioned if there were any specific details in cited in the certificate.

Mr. Maszgay stated that there are no specific details listed.

Mr. Maszgay suggested that Council consider having a time period at the end of the Council meetings for the purpose of visitors having an opportunity of asking questions.

A motion was made by Mr. Basile, second by Mr. Maszgay, to adopt the aforementioned recommendation.

The following Roll Call was taken on the motion put forth:

Mr. Collini - No	Mr. Rametta - No	Mrs. Chvala -No
Mr. Sciallo - No	Mr. Maszgay - Yes	
Mr. Basile - Yes	Mrs. Wilson - No	

The Secretary stated that the motion on the floor was denied, with 5 members voting no and 2 members voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Sciullo, second by Mr. Rametta, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm.