

**MINUTES**  
**NORTH CATASAUQUA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**April 17, 2023**

PEOPLE PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER – 7pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT: Vice President John Yanek, Councilpersons: Mark Gioielli, Dan Snyder, Mike Macsisak. Mayor Wm. Molchany. Solicitor Steven Goudsouzian, Treasurer Annette Englert, Treasurer Christina Czonstka, Secretary Tasha Jandrisovits, Jr. Councilperson Kaitlyn Lawton

Also present were Police Chief Christopher Wolfer and Fire Chief Roger Scheirer

ABSENT: President Pete Paone – attended virtually, Michele Hazzard, Jessica Cope – joined the meeting virtually at 7:08 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: By Mark Gioielli to approve the minutes from April 3, 2023. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Macsisak. No additional discussion, all in favor.

TREASURER REPORT – Christina Czonstka

- Resolution for Records Disposal – Resolution #375
  - Mark asked about building permits, Annette stated that the records retention policy dictates the retention for each type of record.

MOTION: By Mark Gioielli to approve Resolution #375 to allow for records destruction. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Macsisak. No additional discussion, all in favor.

- Sewer Relief for two properties who filled new pools.
  - 1142 American
  - 1150 American
  - Pete stated that pool water doesn't go down the sewer so we are not charged for the flow by Catty.

MOTION: By Dan Snyder to approve sewer relief for 1142 and 1150 American Street. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Macsisak. No additional discussion, all in favor.

- Appoint Chrissy to the Tax Collection Committee

MOTION: By Mark Gioielli to appoint Christina Czonstka as delegate to the TCC. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Macsisak. No additional discussion, all in favor.

- Grant update – Annette updated council on grant reimbursements.

OFFICE REPORT – Tasha Jandrisovits

- Zoning hearing for 408 Buttonwood for variance scheduled for Thursday April 27 5:30 pm
- Received lot releases for 3 more homes in Willowbrook that sold.
- Resolution #376 – Establishing a IPMC and UCC Board of Appeals
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- Dan/Mark

MOTION: By Dan Snyder to approve and appoint members to the IPMC and UCC Code Board of Appeals. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Gioielli. No additional discussion, all in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR REPORT – Travis Brett - no report

CIVIL SERVICE – Roger Scheirer –

We will redo dates for the Corporal Exam as there was a conflict with the dates and Community Days. Applications were still due today by 5pm.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT – Roger Scheirer – no report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – Roger Scheirer

7 calls this month so far, 4 members attended and passed 16-hour ariel class.

Roger shared the training classes and hours for active members of his department.

Last meeting – brought up by Jess – needing a better system, recommends we get shotgun mikes, 2 microphones, amplifier, \$131 in cables and mounting wires, spend up to \$500.

Jess asked if the microphones would interfere with each other. Roger said you need to separate and point opposite directions. John asked where to get money from. Annette and Chrissy replied maintenance \$4300, and \$1300 left in office equipment – bldg. maintenance.

MOTION: By Mark Gioielli to purchase of new microphones and accessories for the council meeting room. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Macsisak. No additional discussion, all in favor.



**North Catasauqua Borough Police Department  
April 2023 2nd Monthly report**

**Moving Forward**

- Registered and approved to become members of RTD a Gov. Surplus acquisition program.
- MAGLOCLEN membership approved.
- The Self Defense & CRASE courses were a great success. Received numerous emails of appreciation.
- Unit 75's in-car camera, which died in December of 2022 has been returned and repaired. Total cost was \$380.00 No cost for re-install as I did it myself.

**TRAINING COMPLETED**

- **Det. O'Donnell** completed ODIN Act 158 overdose mapping training through the Pennsylvania Justice Network
- **Roger and I** completed stop sign & intersection safety training through the PA Association of Boroughs
- **Ofc. Pursell and I** completed 2-gun training through VIGR LLC
- **Sgt. Tramonte, Ofc. Santiago, Det. O'Donnell and I** completed SFST & DUI checkpoint refresher training through the PA DUI Association
- **Ofc. Pursell** completed his bi-annual local limited access recertification through PA State Police
- **Ofc. Santiago** completed a 1st responder guide to autism training through Blue Ridge Training LLC.

OFFICE INSURANCE & PERSONNEL REPORT - Mark Gioielli – no report.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT - John Yanek

Volleyball starts on 5/22 – stand opens the following week, he will need to check pavilion rentals, beginning to mid-July – start date USAA volleyball – tryouts Saturday and Sunday – they have pavilion – give heads up.

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT – Michele Hazzard – no report

LAW COMMITTEE REPORT - Michele Hazzard – no report.

PUBLIC PROPERTY & PARKS REPORT - Jessica Cope

Met to discuss the rest of money in Livable Landscapes grant – Travis suggested they look at getting mulch, mulch budget cut, get a few more shade structures, look at different equipment to add into the upper playground. Dan is going to look at alternatives to get educational signs. Working on all of that, Jess will set up a meeting with Sherry Acevedo.

PUBLIC SAFETY-POLICE – Michael Macsisak – no report.

PUBLIC SAFETY-FIRE REPORT – Daniel Snyder – no report.

MAYOR REPORT – William J. Molchany, Jr.

J4 committee meeting tomorrow night at 7pm, new treasurer needed, get others involved and taking over the committee.

Attended training, Santiago did an excellent job, defense class interesting.

Mrs. Englert – leaving this month – was presented with a proclamation to celebrate her retirement.

SOLICITOR REPORT – Atty. Brian Panella – no report.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT - Peter Paone

- Attending Halloween Parade committee – scheduled for Wed 10/18 rain date, following Wednesday.
- Request, from YMCA – use barricades, Healthy Kids Day this Saturday, try outside, will block off parking -Tasha will check with Travis

NEW BUSINESS

4/28 - Annette last day. Retirement. Pete offered his congratulations, stated it was a pleasure working with her for 10 years, we appreciate all the hard work and her dedication to the borough and its residents.

MOTION: By Dan Snyder to accept Annette's retirement date of 5/1/2023 with 4/28/2023 being her last day. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Gioielli. No additional discussion, all in favor.

Chief Wolfer – discussed the Heathy Kids Event, the self-defense course and dated Det. O’Donnell fingerprinted the kids.

Dan – asked about sidewalks at Willowbrook property along Howertown Rd. Discussion on why they were not put in the plans. Pete – along the main roadway, there are sidewalks on the inside. That area is also counted towards their greenspace. Northampton sidewalks will end once hit North Catty. No requirement – technically the backyards on property.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

MOTION: By Mike Macsisak to approve the invoices. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Snyder. No additional discussion, all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: By Mike Macsisak to adjourn the meeting at 7:36pm. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Snyder. No additional discussion, all in favor.

ATTEST:



Tasha Jandrisovits  
Borough Secretary