

WARRIOR RUN BOROUGH

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Tonight's Agenda

Monday November 08, 2021

Roll Call	Present	Not Present
Council members:		
Rick Kratz	_____	X
Sharon Wengren	X	_____
Matt Pilch	X	_____
John Quinn	X	_____
Larry Carbohn	X	_____
Other attendees:		
Mayor Tom Shypulefski	X	_____
Solicitor Patrick Aregood	X	_____
Secretary/Treasurer Tom Kneidinger	X	_____

A motion to accept the minutes from the October 12, 2021 council meeting.

1st motion made by: M.P. 2nd motion made by: J.Q.

	Yes	No	Abstain
R. Kratz	_____	_____	_____
S. Wengren	X	_____	_____
M. Pilch	X	_____	_____
J. Quinn	X	_____	_____
L. Carbohn	X	_____	_____

Motion passed X Motion failed to pass _____

A motion to accept the treasurer's report from October 12, 2021 to November 08, 2021.

1st motion made by: M.P. 2nd motion made by: S.W.

	Yes	No	Abstain
R. Kratz	_____	_____	_____
S. Wengren	X	_____	_____
M. Pilch	X	_____	_____
J. Quinn	X	_____	_____
L. Carbohn	X	_____	_____

Motion passed X Motion failed to pass _____

First reading of the Warrior Run Borough 2022 budget

Secretary / Treasurer Tom Kneidinger read the first reading of the 2022 proposed budget. There was no comment by council concerning the proposed 2022 budget.

Communications:

Old Business:

1. A motion to approve the franchise contract agreement allowing Comcast to provide Warrior Run Borough residents' alternate options for their services.

1st motion made by: M.P.

2nd motion made by: S.W.

	Yes	No	Abstain
R. Kratz	_____	_____	_____
S. Wengren	X	_____	_____
M. Pilch	X	_____	_____
J. Quinn	X	_____	_____
L. Carbohn	X	_____	_____

Motion passed X

Motion failed to pass _____

New Business:

1. A motion to advertise in the two local newspapers, (Citizen Voice/Times Leader), the 2007 white GMC dump truck with the Western plow and tailgate salt spreader.

1st motion made by: M.P.

2nd motion made by: J.Q.

	Yes	No	Abstain
R. Kratz	_____	_____	_____
S. Wengren	X	_____	_____
M. Pilch	X	_____	_____
J. Quinn	X	_____	_____
L. Carbohn	X	_____	_____

Motion passed X

Motion failed to pass _____

Attorney Aregood Topics:

1. Attorney Aregood informed council that Mr. Wooten was successful in his tax appeals with Luzerne County concerning his properties located on Chestnut St. and corner of Front & Hanover. The assessed values were reduced on both properties.

2. Attorney Aregood provided council with a format for a potential Warrior Run Borough water shut-off agreement with Pennsylvania America Water. This agreement would involve residents with delinquent sewer O & M accounts.

He also provided council with a format for a potential Warrior Run Borough shut-off agreement with Wyoming Valley Sanitation Authority. This would involve residents with delinquent sewer O & M accounts

These two potential agreements will be discussed by council at the next work session.

3. Attorney Aregood informed council that the Leipart distressed property issue is comparable to Wooten's violation. Mr. Leipart was found guilty and fined from Magistrate Halesey.

4. Attorney Aregood provided Secretary/Treasurer with the satisfaction of a lien on a borough resident property, from the prothonotary's office.

5. Attorney Aregood informed council that the 1991 borough sewer ordinance detailing hook-ups could be improved. The legal language of this ordinance is vague in certain areas.

6. Attorney Aregood reviewed the Comcast service agreement for potential cable services to borough residents. He stated it is very similar to the Service Electric agreement and would provide the same franchise fees to the borough.

7. Attorney Aregood stated that the appeal from the resident of 565 Front Street to Creditech for special payment treatment regarding the property's delinquent sewer O&M account should not be considered. This would set up a legal precedence for future payments from other delinquent borough residents.

POLICE REPORT: ON FILE

11/08/2021 Mayor's Report:

1. I was notified that our 2021 LSA grant was received and filed. We were assigned an analyst and I'm working in reviewing the application. This application was submitted for infrastructure work on Front Street in the amount of \$63,534.
2. I am working on submitting invoices for the current 2020 LSA award for purchasing equipment i.e. skid steer, excavator, and accessories. This is now a reimbursement program and processing the details to Harrisburg regulations are tedious and difficult due to manufacturing and production issues. As previous mention, everything with the state is now done online, majority of office workers stationed at home with laptops and cell phones. You either conform to the process or you're left out.
3. Special thanks to Fran Moriarity who donated a personal handmade quilted American Flag to our Borough to commemorate our 125th Anniversary. Fran and her late husband are recognized as dedicated residents of Warrior Run. It will be displayed in this meeting office.
4. Thank you to Larry Carbohn and our road crew, who worked with American Rooter to handle various Warrior Run problem spots. Warrior Run is very lucky to have Larry's valuable knowledge & dedication to their residents. He has saved the residents thousands of dollars over the years. American Rooter was delayed by weather conditions and emergencies and is scheduled back to complete the project.
5. The October 31 Halloween parade turning into a trunk / treat at the fire hall was enjoyed by the kids. John Quinn coordinated the event. Thank you, John for your effort and dedication to Warrior Run.

6. The WR 125 Association Committee is working with Lehman Monument to place Warrior Run Service members to be placed on the Warrior Run Monument. Due to weather and manufacturing shortages, this will happen in the spring. This is being paid by the WR 125 committee.

7. The election is over, yet not official, congratulations to Sandy, Mary Anne, and John in winning their nominations. Although public speech is an American right and value not to be taken lightly, false accusations are detrimental to the future of Warrior Run Borough. Councilman Kratz was present at the meeting stating the WR 125 repayment to the Borough for electrical work. Councilman Kratz complimented myself and the committee that we did a great job in the ability to repay the electrical bill. Yet it was posted on Facebook by Councilman Kratz, that WR 125 Committee had not done so.

8. The WR 125 committee was comprised of 10 dedicated people and various dedicated residents who raised 100 % of the funds, and provided services for All of Warrior Run residence and others to celebrate Warrior Run's 125 anniversary. I have been informed, others anniversary and celebrations are supplemented by their municipality's, city's or townships. I appreciate the residents who expressed gratitude, but I am stunned by the many who just stated, "We should have this every year." The WR 125 committee is owed an apology for such an error in misinformation posted on Facebook. Ignorance is not an excuse.

9. My main point of reference is Facebook was created for Harvard Students to connect with one another, for personal experience. It's main purpose is not to solicit untrue facts, figures, or documents, especially when pertaining to municipal or government information. It seems Facebook is used to split Warrior Run residents into rages with uninformed facts. Warrior Run has an official State Website. WRBoro.org . This contains all of our Council Minutes from 2016. Check out this Website and see who voted and created motions. Check out the facts for yourself. If you want the correct information, attend Council Meetings, check our Website. An informed resident can only help move the Borough in a positive direction.

A motion to accept Attorney Aregood’s report, Police report and Mayor’s report.

1st motion made by: M.P.

2nd motion made by: S.W.

	Yes	No	Abstain
R. Kratz	_____	_____	_____
S. Wengren	X	_____	_____
M. Pilch	X	_____	_____
J. Quinn	X	_____	_____
L. Carbohn	X	_____	_____

Motion passed X

Motion failed to pass _____

Council Final Comment:

1. Larry Carbohn informed council that Jim Davis of DGK Insurance will provide an update of the 2022 boroughs’ insurance policies at the next council meeting December 13, 2021.
2. Larry Carbohn informed council that the COVID relief funds of \$30k plus, received from the state in 2021 is currently in the general fund.
3. Larry Carbohn informed council that All American Router would be back in the borough in the next two weeks to finish cleaning out the storm drain boxes.
4. Larry Carbohn informed council that Ed K. construction would be giving an estimate for work to be done on Short Street.
5. Larry stated within the next two weeks Don Bly from Don’s Tree Service will be doing work in the Borough.

Public Comment:

1. Borough resident Rick Tattersall asked council to consider John Leipart for any construction work needed by the borough in the future.

Larry Carbohn informed Rick Tattersall that work in the borough for over \$12k required three outside bids. Any work over \$21k is required to be advertised in the newspapers.

2. Borough resident Carol Flaherty asked a question regarding the \$110k LSA Grant .

Larry Carbohn stated that this money is earmarked for new equipment to be purchased from C. H. Waltz & Sons.

Carol Flaherty also asked about the ARP Funds.

Larry Carbohn stated that \$30, 800 is in the general fund. This money can only be used for approved government projects. Warrior Run Council hasn't decided on the proper use of these funds.

Motion to adjourn

1st motion made by: J.Q.

2nd motion made by: M.P

	Yes	No	Abstain
R. Kratz	_____	_____	_____
S. Wengren	X	_____	_____
M. Pilch	X	_____	_____
J. Quinn	X	_____	_____
L. Carbohn	X	_____	_____

Motion passed X

Motion failed to pass _____

Thomas R Kneidinger
Secretary / Treasurer
Warrior Run Borough
Submitted 11/08/2021