## AGENDA ECONOMY BOROUGH COUNCIL 10 Aug 2021

- I Call to Order; Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance; Roll Call; Welcome Media
- II Hear the Public (please restrict to Boro business and 3 to 5 minutes)

III Minutes 13 July 2021 27 July 2021

## IV Committee Reports

Property/Building - no action

Finance – LOB budget & Treasurers reports

Public Works - Monthly Report

Parks/Recreation - \*Free Concert by the Beaver County Symphonic Wind

Ensemble on Saturday, August 21st - Economy Municipal Complex - 6pm.

(Sponsored by the Economy Borough Volunteer Fire Department.)

Ordinance – no action Public Safety - no action

V Mayor's Report Monthly Report

Solicitor

Engineer

## VI *Old Business*

VII <u>New Business</u> <u>Tax refund request.</u> Ken Semovoski, 437 River Glen Dr has requested a tax refund due his total and permanent service-connected disability caused during a period of war or armed conflict. The PA Sate Veterans Commission determined that Mr Semovoski has demonstrated the required financial need. The Department of Veterans Affairs confirmed Mr Semovoski is totally and permanently disabled due to service-connected causes during a time of war or armed conflict.

Mr Semovoski applied for the tax exemption in January, paid the tax in April and was approved for exempt status on July 19<sup>th</sup>. The kicker is he was approved for exempt status for all taxes coming due on or After April 15<sup>th</sup> and the Borough property tax became due on March 1<sup>st</sup>. It's up to Council whether the refund is allowed.

\*Repository Sales. This involves 2 adjacent parcels, 60-185-0143.000 and 60-185-0127.003, the first has a small dilapidated house (to be torn down) the second

Original: 5 Aug 2021 15:16 Second: 9 Aug 2021 13:57 is open ground. Both parcels are less than 1/2 acre. The bid price on the house, \$1948.00 plus costs, comes to \$3,545.65. The bid price for the vacant parcel, \$2168.00 plus costs, comes to \$293.05. The house is beyond repair. Both parcels, just past McGuire, are small and front Conway Wallrose. Not too far back into the lots is a steep slope.

VIII <u>Other</u> <u>Valley Waste</u>. Last year, during the pandemic, we received quite a few calls over poor garbage service. This summer, since the post-pandemic, the number of complaints and poor performance has boiled over. We continue to receive complaints regularly. We've talked with Valley numerous times (no one wants to work, CDL drivers go where the demand is greatest, they have to re-train employees on a continual basis, etc). Under the current contract we have very little recourse, we could file a breach of contract against them that would result in a lot of paperwork flowing between us with no certain result. Or we could notify them by September 1<sup>st</sup> that we're putting the service out for bid for next year and hope for the best. Bidding it out doesn't guarantee anything. I doubt Valley would bid on it and one major hauler in the area stated he will not bid on it based on Valley's experience. Very lately, during the last week, Valley seems to be picking up momentum.

IX <u>Executive Session</u> Public Works contract
Personnel – Police Department – possible vote

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