

Borough of Crafton
Thursday, October 28, 2021.

(Council Meetings are broadcast live via Zoom Communications Webinar)

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Levasseur called to order the Regular Meeting of the Crafton Borough Council, Thursday, October 28, 2021, at 6:32 PM.

2. FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mr. Crown.

3. ROLL CALL

Interim Manager Sample recorded six (6) members of Council, present as follows: Mr. Amendola, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Crown, Mr. Levasseur, Mr. Oliverio and Ms. Perry. Also present were Mayor Bloom and Solicitor Korb. Absent was Mr. Crouse.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION #1: It was moved and seconded (*Crown/Perry*) to approve the October 28, 2021, Consent Agenda (Including the Meeting Minutes dated October 14, 2021, and the Bill Lists dated October 28, 2021).

MOTION #1 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

5. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF WRITTEN REPORTS

Mr. Levasseur acknowledged the receipt of the following written reports for September 2021, including the Financial Statement, the Act 511, Trash and Property Tax Collection Report, Police Report, EMS Report, Building Inspection Report, Code Enforcement Report and Treasurer Report.

6. CITIZEN'S PRESENT TO ADDRESS COUNCIL/Agenda Items Only:

There were no citizens signed up to comment.

7. PRESIDENTS REPORT

Mr. Levasseur spoke regarding the ongoing construction, addressed the recent water service interruptions, and noted that the Borough is working with the Utility Company on repairs and restoration. He also stated that the first Budget Workshop will be held immediately following the meeting.

8. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Bloom announced that Trick or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 31, 2021, from 6-8PM. He added that there will be additional patrols carried out by both the Police Department and Fire Department in Crafton and Thornburg.

9. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Korbel had nothing to report.

10. MANAGERS REPORT

Interim Manager Sample noted that he did not have an opportunity to get his report on the OneDrive prior to the meeting but will have it available in the next coming days.

Mayor Bloom asked for an update on the completion of paving on Woodlawn where the Separation Work is being performed.

Mr. Levasseur stated that the completion is contingent on the weather but noted that it will be paved or patched before winter.

Mr. Crown also noted that residents have requested a temporary stop sign near Perrine Alley due to the increase traffic from the construction on Sterrett Street.

Mayor Bloom stated that he will discuss the matter with the Chief of Police.

11. BUSINESS AGENDA

Mr. Levasseur stated that there will be a 4.5% cost increase for Option Year 3 of the Solid Waste and Recycle contract.

MOTION #2: It was moved and seconded (*Crown/Chandler*) to approve Option Year 3 of Solid Waste and Recycle contract between the Borough of Crafton and Waste Management.

Mr. Crown questioned about the affect the increase will have on the Borough's the annual trash payment fee.

Interim Manager Sample stated that there would be a \$20.00 increase.

MOTION #2 carries by a Unanimous Vote (6-0).

Interim Manager Sample spoke in response to Council's questions about the DPW Facility Building bid at the previous meeting and stated that the COSTARS Contractor will not commit to the bid price until the final shop drawings are completed which could take up to sixteen weeks. He noted that, if Crafton would decide to wait until the drawings are complete, the other bids received would expire. Interim Manager Sample stated that it is recommended by himself and Gateways Engineers that Crafton Borough award the bid to Uhl Construction Co.

MOTION: #3: It was moved and seconded (*Oliverio/Crown*) to award the Base Bid for the Crafton DPW Facility Building Package project to Uhl Construction Co. In the amount of \$359,265.00.

Council continued discussion on the materials needed and the final specification.

MOTION #3 carries by a Voice Vote (5-1). *AMENDOLA - NO*

12. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Stop down for some Haunted Mini-Golf at the Crafton Mini Golf Course. Do not forget to snap a selfie with the resident werewolf! FRIDAYS and SATURDAYS beginning October 8th through the 30th from 7PM to 9PM. Cost to Play is \$2 per person. All CDC, State and Local COVID Guidelines will be followed.
- Crafton Borough Recreation Board is proud to announce the second annual Haunted Crafton driving tour! The tour will be a self-guided audio driving tour through the spookiest places in Crafton. Some of what you hear will be actual hauntings and others only come out into the yard around Halloween. Monetary and food donations will be given to the Crafton Ingram Food Bank, donations of kid-size hats and gloves will be given to the Crafton Elementary School. The tour began on October 23rd, 2021 and will go through November 1st, 2021 (homes will be lit nightly from 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm). Though the tour is available the entire week leading up to Halloween, it will be “extra spooky” for one night only. Please visit the Borough’s website at <https://www.craftonborough.com/parks-recreation> for more information.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no additional citizen comments.

Mr. Oliverio announced that on November 3rd and November 4th, the Shade Tree will be conducting the annual planting of about 18 trees throughout the Borough.

Mr. Levasseur announced that Council will go directly into the Budget Workshop.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carissima Kerns, Borough Secretary