

Borough of Crafton  
Council Meeting  
Thursday, February 10, 2022.

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Oliverio called to order the Meeting of the Crafton Borough Council, Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 7:17 PM.

**2. FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Ms. Compitello.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Interim Manager Sample recorded seven (7) Members of Council present as follows: Ms. Bollenbacher, Mr. Chandler, Ms. Compitello, Mr. Marks, Mr. Levasseur, Mr. Oliverio, and Mr. Ridilla. Also present were Mayor Perry, Solicitor Korbel and Engineer Minsterman.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION #1:** It was moved and seconded (*Ridilla/Bollenbacher*) to approve the February 10, 2022, Consent Agenda (including the Meeting Minutes dated January 27, 2022, and the Bill List dated February 10, 2022).

**MOTION #1** carries by a Unanimous Vote (7-0).

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

*Charlene Krenke, 800 Clearview Avenue*, spoke regarding safety concerns surrounding the road construction and overflow of traffic on Clearview Avenue and Perrine Street.

Mr. Oliverio requested that the Engineer address these concerns during the Engineer Report.

**6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Oliverio had nothing to report.

**7. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Perry announced that Police Officer, Gregory Laepple has completed the PA Emergency Management Directive training and can now serve as the backup Emergency Management Coordinator if needed.

Mayor Perry stated that she has met with the Chief of Police and the Interim Manager to address Ms. Krenke's concerns. She added that the Chief of Police spoke with Monarch Bus Company and directed that they use a different route which will be enforced by the Crafton Police Department.

### **8. ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Engineer Minsterman spoke regarding the traffic control issues and stated that they have met with the Mayor, the Interim Manager, and the Company Owner to discuss different strategies surrounding the safety concerns such as, increased signage for road closures and detours and removal of the heavy equipment parked near the intersections.

Engineer Minsterman also noted that Barr Avenue will be closed between Sterrett Street and Chess Street for approximately two weeks beginning on Monday, February 14, 2022. He added that residents will still have access to the side streets and alleyways during the construction.

Council discussed various concerns with the Engineer regarding road conditions around several areas currently under construction and the liability to the Borough for potential damage to vehicles traveling in the construction areas. Council also discussed ways to better communicate the travel interruptions with residents.

### **9. SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Solicitor Korbel had nothing to report.

### **10. MANAGER'S REPORT**

Interim Manager Sample stated that his report was uploaded to the OneDrive. He also noted that Jordan Tax Service, Inc. has mailed out the Trash Bills to the property owners.

### **11. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### ***FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION***

Mayor Perry stated that the 2021 Financial Statements will be available in the next few weeks. She also noted that the Organizational Assessment is underway.

#### ***COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE***

Ms. Compitello gave an update on the Master Site Plan and the Joint Zoning project with Ingram.

#### ***COMMUNICATION, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY EVENTS***

Mr. Marks stated that the AV Upgrades are near completion. He also added that the Newsletter should be out in the next few weeks.

#### ***VACANCY COMMISSION***

Mr. Chandler stated that the Committee met and discussed the policies and procedures for the appointment policy and added that the list of vacancies will be ready to advertise following their next meeting.

Mr. Oliverio noted that there are twenty-one open seats for appointment which are available to view on the Borough's website.

**MOTION #2:** It was moved and seconded (*Levasseur/Compitello*) to approve the Appointment Policy, which will provide rules and procedures relative to appointing candidates to Borough boards and commissions.

Mr. Chandler noted that the process will require candidates to complete an application, followed by discussion and recommendation by the committee.

Interim Manager Sample stated that the policy will organize and streamline the appointment process.

**MOTION #2** carries by a Unanimous Vote (7-0).

### ***COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG)***

Mr. Ridilla had nothing to report this evening. He added that the next COG meeting will be held Thursday, February 17, 2022.

Interim Manager Sample spoke regarding the COG's recommendation for a joint agreement with Cohen Law Group, who will assist with the Comcast Franchise Fee Agreement renewal. He also noted that they will perform an Audit of prior year receipts to certify that the Borough has received the correct fees.

Mr. Levasseur inquired if Comcast has any intentions to bring in 5G, similarly to Verizon.

Mr. Ridilla stated that he will bring this discussion item to the next meeting.

Ms. Compitello asked for clarification on what services the franchise fees are collected from.

Solicitor Korbel stated that it is set by Federal Law and noted that due to the increase in streaming services this revenue stream will dry up overtime.

Council discussed possible opportunities to bring better services into the Borough.

### **12. BUSINESS AGENDA**

Mr. Oliverio noted that there were no Business items for this evening.

### **13. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Upcoming Council Meeting** – Thursday, February 24, 2022, at 7:15 PM.

**14. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no citizens signed up to speak on non-agenda items.

Solicitor Korbel announced that Council will hold an executive session following adjournment.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION #3:** It was moved and seconded (*Marks/Compitello*) to adjourn the meeting.

**MOTION #3** carries by a Unanimous Vote (7-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted  
Carissima Kerns, Borough Secretary