

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Wednesday, June 25, 2008 at 7:00p.m., Borough Office
114 W. Catawissa Street, Nesquehoning, PA 18240

ROLL CALL: COUNCILMEN DiMICELI, HAWK, JACOBS, SNISCAK JR.,
COUNCILWOMAN WALCK; PRESIDENT DeMARCO; MAYOR WALCK &
CHIEF SMITH

President DeMarco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilman Stromelo and Solicitor Yurchak were absent.

There was a moment of silence observed for the loss of Stephen Yurchak.

MINUTES: Approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on May 28, 2008

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman DiMiceli seconded to approve the May 28, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes. All voted yes. Motion passed.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Rudy Phillips – 10 W. Catawissa Street – stated about his neighbor having an illegal junkyard. He stated how Council made him get rid of the cars but the yard was still filled with junk (tires, rims, steel beams, tanks, barrels, etc.). Mr. Phillips stated how he was supposed to get rid of it by the end of spring. He stated how it was two years and he never received a fine. Councilman Sniscak, Jr. stated how he had been cited. The Solicitor was working on it and they have appealed it.

Bertha Shreffler – 109 W. Ridge Street – stated that 1 ½ years ago, she had a car sitting in her driveway (no registration or inspection), which she had to get rid of. She stated how she had to junk the car because she did not have the money to fix it. Ms. Shreffler stated how there were vehicles in the town which were not licensed or inspected but not ticketed. She stated that if she had to get rid of hers, then they had to get rid of theirs also. Ms. Shreffler stated how they should keep it a high point and go around once a month to look at the vehicles. She stated how there was one next to her house and one in the parking lot of Sacred Heart Church.

Councilman Sniscak, Jr. stated how there were 20+ vehicles which were cited. He stated how the Police were going around citing people. He stated that they were given a warning and had seven days to respond. Chief Smith stated how they were aware of the one in the Church parking lot. He stated how they have to understand how they were one man on a 12 hour shift and they have to answer all of their own calls and criminal complaints. Ms. Shreffler stated how Councilman DiMiceli was the one who got her to get rid of her car. Councilman DiMiceli stated how everyone was being addressed at the time. Councilman DiMiceli asked Mayor Walck if Code Enforcement needed to be done, was he told to call the officer out for overtime. He stated that if the officers did not have the time during the day, they could call them out for overtime. Mayor Walck stated “yes”. Chief Smith stated how most of their time was with Carl Faust and the buildings in town. Councilman DiMiceli stated how they might be able to get the officer who was on duty get a couple cars a week. Mayor Walck stated that any officer could tag a vehicle but the follow-ups were done by Officer Blisard. Councilman DiMiceli stated how he knew that the officers were busy with the buildings but maybe they could tag one or two cars a week. He stated how the owners sometimes remove the orange tags so it does not look like they were tagged. Chief Smith stated that sometimes they don't tag them, they just send letters. He stated how Officer Saullo tagged 22 last month and his code report was the size of a tree. He stated that it was being addressed and it just takes time.

Ted Dacey – 239 W. Columbus Avenue – stated how June 14th was Flag Day and the Borough did not have any flags out. He stated how July 4th was coming and asked for the flags to be displayed for the 4th. President DeMarco stated that they will take care of it for the 4th of July.

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Elizabeth Ruckhardt – 127 W. Catawissa Street – asked what or if anything was being done about Charles Merkle at 130 W. Catawissa Street, Apt. D. Chief Smith stated how he and Officer Peck distributed community notification fliers. He stated how they were being cited for not getting moving permits and he was also being cited under the Sexual Offenders Ordinance. He stated how the property was posted and he had five days to move out. Chief Smith stated how his mother lives there and she does not have to move out. He stated how they were addressing the problem.

Larry Fox – 243 Stock Street – stated how the landlords know their tenants have to get moving permits. Can they be cited? Chief Smith stated “yes”. Mr. Fox stated how he thought the landlords should be cited along with the person moving in. Chief Smith stated how they have cited landlords in the past and they will do it again. Mr. Fox stated that it was the landlords who were the big problem because of all the garbage that gets put out when the tenants move out and the Borough has to take it away. President DeMarco stated how it also ties up the Police Department.

Beverly Schiano – 132 W. Catawissa Street – stated how the gentleman did move in overnight. She stated how the landlord was not even aware that he was living there. Ms. Schiano stated how they had to provide documentation of their moving permit. She stated how the landlord was waiting for documentation from the mother. Chief Smith stated how she did not get one because she was not aware of it. Ms. Schiano stated that it was listed in the lease on how they had to obtain a moving permit from the Nesquehoning Borough when moving in or out.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Smith gave the Police Report for the month of May as follows:

\$668.95 fine money received from Magistrate Kosciolk; \$82.83 received in Carbon County Collections; \$274.64 received in DUI reimbursements, \$30.00 received in parking tickets; \$180.00 received in moving permits; \$30.00 received in accident reports; \$1,350.31 received for state fines; \$5.00 received for Restitution; 363 total complaints received; 23 citations (3 non-traffic & 20 traffic); 4 criminal arrests; 8 traffic accidents (1 reportable & 7 non-reportable); 11 court appearances and the mileage total was 2,895 (925 – 2000 Crown Vic; 1,250 – 2008 Chevy Impala; 720 - 2003 Crown Vic; 0 - 2005 Expedition).

HOUSING & CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Chief Smith stated about having pictures of the Stoffa property. He stated how Juvenile Probation cleaned up the property and was now being maintained.

Mayor Walck stated about the approval for the handicap sign listed on Officer Blisard's report.

Councilman Sniscak, Jr. moved and Councilman DiMiceli seconded to approve the handicap parking sign for Marianne Smith at 349 W. Catawissa Street. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Walck stated about getting paid for the sign prior to having it installed.

Chief Smith stated that he wanted to thank Mayor Walck for the help with the D.A.R.E. program. He stated about thanking Councilman DiMiceli and the Nesquehoning VFW for the money for the graduation.

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to accept the Police and Housing & Code Enforcement Reports. All voted yes. Motion passed.

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PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

➤ Planning Commission Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2008

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2008 Planning Commission Meeting. All voted yes. Motion passed.

President DeMarco stated how the Planning Commission approved the plans for Joe Lawrence/Michael Brida's storage units on Route 54. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how she was also handing out the comments and recommendations from Engineer Tirpak

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to approve the plans for Lawrence/Brida's storage units with the recommendations from the Borough Engineer. All voted yes. Motion passed.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

- 05.30.08 Robert T. Yurchak – Number of Civil Service members
- 06.02.08 Civil Service Commission – two candidates on certified list of eligible candidates

- **06.11.08 Richard L. Zabroski – Letter of Interest – Civil Service Commission**
- **06.13.08 Robert J. Marouchoc – Letter of Interest – Civil Service Commission**
- **06.25.08 Sue Ellen Heckman – Letter of Interest – Civil Service Commission**
- **06.25.08 Tracey E. Evans – Letter of Interest – Civil Service Commission**

- **06.03.08 Joe Guardiani – Letter of resignation**
- **06.16.08 Joseph J. Fauzio – Resignation – Civil Service Commission**

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to accept the letters of resignation from the Civil Service members (Joe Guardiani and Joseph Fauzio).

Councilman Jacobs moved to table the resignations until they could find out why they resigned.

Councilman Jacobs stated how the three Civil Service members sat with Council and Council agreed to what a great job they were doing. He stated how all of a sudden, they have three members resign and nobody knows why. President DeMarco stated how he had asked them and they did not want to get into the personal matters. They just resigned. Councilman Jacobs stated how they should have some confirmation as to why they resigned. President DeMarco asked why they did not ask anybody else why they resigned. Councilman Jacobs stated how they have never had three resign from the Civil Service at one time. He stated how they all thought they were doing a great job. President DeMarco stated how he had told the one that. Councilwoman Walck stated how on the one resignation it stated "by now you are probably all aware of what happened . . ." She stated that she was not aware of what he was talking about.

Mayor Walck stated how one of the Civil Service members stated that they would discuss it privately. He stated how they should bring the Civil Service in and hold an executive session to find out what the reasons were. Mayor Walck stated how he had concerns also because they were doing an excellent job. He stated that something had to trigger their resignations. He stated how they were enthusiastic and attended the classes and did an excellent job. Mayor Walck stated how they owe it to them and the public to find out what the problem was.

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Councilwoman Walck stated how she was not aware of the reasons for their resignations.

Councilman Hawk stated the he was not either. Councilman Walck stated how she would like to know why. Councilman Sniscak, Jr. stated how he just got back from vacation so he was also not aware. Councilman Jacobs stated how they have never had three letters of resignation before.

Councilman DiMiceli withdrew his motion and would ask them to come to a meeting with Council. He stated that if they would choose not to come to a meeting, they would accept their letters. Councilman Hawk stated about how one of them mentioned meeting with Council in the letter. Councilman Sniscak, Jr. withdrew his second.

President DeMarco stated how they could meet after the 4th of July.

Councilman DiMiceli stated about the list of the candidates and how it did not say anything concerning military preference.

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to place letters of interest on file. All voted yes. Motion passed.

➤ 06.09.08 Joseph Fauzio – Non-qualified applications

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to allow Mr. Fauzio to destroy the records of the candidates who did not qualify. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PANTHER CREEK ADVISORY REPORT

President DeMarco stated that Mr. Marouchoc told him nothing has happened since the last meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

➤ 06.03.08 Carbon Engineering – Marconi Street Reconstruction

President DeMarco stated how Secretary/Treasurer Ahner sent letters out to the residents for the curbing. He stated about shooting the grade and moving the poles. Councilman Jacobs stated that Mr. Tirpak had told him how he had contacted PPL to move the poles and PPL said they were Verizon's poles. He stated that Mr. Tirpak had already contacted Verizon but did not hear anything on a response from them.

Councilman DiMiceli stated about the Street Project and how he asked the Engineer to prioritize the list of streets. He stated how they should go on his recommendations. He stated that they should take on the whole project. President DeMarco stated how the Street Committee would do it. He stated that they did not want to pay an Engineer to do it.

Council discussed how the Engineer had the knowledge of streets to make the list but the Council members and Board members had the knowledge concerning what funds they would have available in order to replace the water and sewer lines. They also discussed what streets might need to be replaced, how Lansford/Coaldale Water Authority would have to be included and funding.

President DeMarco stated about letting the Engineer make the recommendations.

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- **Adopt Residential Rental Properties Ordinance**
- **Adopt Contractor Ordinance**
- **Adopt Parking Ordinance**
- **Adopt Animal Ordinance**
- **Adopt Discharge of Firearms Ordinance**

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to adopt the Residential Rental Property Ordinance, Contractor Ordinance, Parking Ordinance, Animal Ordinance and Discharge of Firearms Ordinance. All voted yes except Councilman Hawk who voted “no” on the Animal Ordinance. Motion passed.

Tom Merman stated about putting everything into one entity.

- 06.06.08 Robert T. Yurchak – Nesquehoning Street Opening Ordinance
- 06.10.08 Robert T. Yurchak – West Mill Street Extended
- 06.10.08 Robert T. Yurchak – Street sweeping
- 06.10.08 Robert T. Yurchak – Truck hauling
- 06.24.08 Atty. Michael Garfield – Carbon County Railroad Commission – Mill St. Swale
- 06.24.08 PennDOT – Street Sweeping – does not sweep curbed area of any Borough

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to accept all the reports to this point (Planning, Civil Service, Panther Creek, Engineer’s and Solicitor’s Reports). All voted yes. Motion passed.

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NESQUEHONING SAVINGS BANK TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Balance 04.30.08 101,500.62
Receipts 196,659.46
Expenditures 59,373.10
Balance 05.31.08 238,786.98

GENERAL SEWER CONSTRUCTION FUND

Balance 04.30.08 8,666.68
Receipts 9.84
Expenditures .00
Balance 05.31.08 8,676.52

SPORTS COMPLEX FUND

Balance 04.30.08 81.40
Receipts .09
Expenditures .00
Balance 05.31.08 81.49

SANITATION ESCROW

Balance 12.30.07 18,351.81
Receipts 8,753.85
Expenditures .00
Balance 3.31.08 27,105.66

DEBT SERVICE

Balance 04.30.08 1,117.61
Receipts 1.27
Expenditures .00
Balance 05.31.08 1,118.88

FIRE TRUCK FUND

Balance 04.30.08 20,934.29
Receipts 23.78
Expenditures .00
Balance 05.31.08 20,958.06

CAPITAL PROJECT

Balance 04.30.08 76,326.27
Receipts 234.41
Expenditures 26,652.00
Balance 05.31.08 49,908.68

SANITATION FUND

Balance 04.30.08 144,006.83
Receipts 84,760.26
Sewer 40,306.98
Expenditures 44,249.30
Balance 05.31.08 144,210.81

HIGHWAY FUND

Balance 04.30.08 78,510.02
Receipts 89.16
Expenditures .00
Balance 05.31.08 78,599.18

PLANNING FUND

Balance 12.30.07 10,945.92
Receipts 24.58
Expenditures 1,282.50
Balance 03.31.08 9,688.00

GENERAL SEWER FUND

Balance 04.31.08 133,036.83
Receipts 40,445.16
Expenditures 67,460.81
Balance 05.31.08 106,021.18

SEWER OPERATING & MAINTENANCE

Balance 04.30.08 5,411.37
Receipts 30,967.77
Expenditures 13,396.20
Balance 05.31.08 22,982.94

POLICE PENSION FUND

Balance 04.30.08 467,839.81
Receipts 3,579.53
Expenditures 20,825.23
Acct Appreciation 4,116.10
Balance 05.31.08 454,710.21

FEMA FUND

Balance 04.30.08 3,004.18
Receipts 3.41
Expenditures .00
Balance 05.31.08 3,007.59

ACQUISITION & RENOVATION

Balance 04.30.08 .00
Receipts 200,117.19
Expenditures .00
Balance 05.31.08 200,117.19

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CD REPORT

FUND	CURRENT VALUE 05.31.08	INTEREST 05.31.08	OPENING DATE	CURRENT RATE	RENEWAL DATE	BANK
PLANNING	\$ 14,507.36	\$ 42.63	5-08-05	4.05 %	8-15-09	NSB
GEN. SEWER	\$ 356,227.68	\$ 1,047.04	5-08-05	4.05 %	8-15-09	NSB
GEN. SEWER	\$ 11,022.09	\$ 33.56	2-28-08	3.60 %	11-29-08	NSB
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 12,831.61	\$ 37.72	5-08-05	4.05 %	8-15-09	NSB
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 97,874.26	\$ 626.91	6-02-05	3.92 %	6-02-10	NSB

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Walck seconded to approve the Treasurer’s report and the CD Report. All voted yes. Motion passed.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mayor Walck stated how John McArdle asked that on August 29th, 30th, and 31st the Nesquehoning Hose Company will be holding their 14th Annual Labor Day Festival. He stated that he was requesting police coverage on their property from 8:00p.m. to 12:00 midnight on all three days.

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilwoman Walck seconded to allow Mayor Walck to provide whatever extra police coverage was needed. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Walck stated that they would also be holding a fire truck parade in town on Sunday. He stated that Mr. McArdle was requesting that the 200 and 300 block of East Center Street be blocked off for Fire Truck judging.

Councilman DiMiceli moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to allow the Nesquehoning Hose Company to block off East Center Street. All voted yes. Motion passed.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Walck stated how they met with the people from Red Cross on June 18th to certify the Recreation Center for a shelter. He stated how the furnace was also hooked up to the Emergency Generator.

Mayor Walck stated how the next Crime Watch Meeting would be held at the borough office at 7:00 p.m. He stated that the Crime Watch had two concerns 1) lights at the New Columbus Park and 2) young adults were hanging out in certain areas within the borough. Mayor Walck stated how they had a hard time seeing in the Park at night and he also has extra patrols passing the hang out areas.

Mayor Walck stated that as a reminder, July 12th was the Zack Lebo – KME – 5K run/walk and July 20th was the triathlon.

Councilman Jacobs stated that the Red Cross did not address any problems that they found at the Recreation Center so it could be certified as an emergency shelter.

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Carol Zickler asked how often they do that. Mayor Walck stated how they did use it as a shelter but it would now be certified by Red Cross as an Emergency Shelter along with the Nesquehoning Hose Company. Councilman Jacobs stated how it would be covered under the Red Cross liability and they would also bring in the supplies.

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Hawk seconded to accept the Emergency Management and the Mayor's Reports. All voted yes. Motion passed.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

18 May – 31 May 2008

Real Estate	\$336,405.47
Occupation	7,717.50
Per Capita	<u>8,643.60</u>
Total	\$352,766.57

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Walck seconded to accept the Tax Collector's Report. All voted yes. Motion passed.

EXONERATIONS:

TO DISAPPROVE: Terry L. Marouchoc – Household over the minimum amount for exoneration

Rosemary McHugh – No proof of earnings attached

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to disapprove the exoneration for Terry Marouchoc and Rosemary McHugh because of the reasons listed. All voted yes. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. 05.29.08 Carbon County Partners for Progress – Brochures
2. 05.29.08 NEPA – Land use – Regional Action Plan
3. 05.29.08 PSAB – Update
4. 05.30.08 Frank DiMiceli – New Law Requires Vests on Highway
5. 06.02.08 Mauch Chunk Trust Co – 2008 Community Heroes
6. 06.02.08 Dimmick Memorial Library – Fund Drive 2008
7. 06.02.08 Liquid Fence Co. – Removal of waste water
8. 06.06.08 PennDOT – Estimated dates for road construction
9. 06.06.08 NEPA – Energy Deregulation Seminar
10. 06.06.08 PSAB – Alert – “Maintenance Work” – Prevailing wages
11. 06.10.08 US Dept. of Housing & Urban Dev. - \$1 Home Sales to Local Gov. Annual Report
12. 06.12.08 Michael S. Greek – Public notice – Zoning Hearing Board, Lawrence, Stemetzki, Greek
13. 06.13.08 PennDOT – Road maintenance and safety training workshop
- 14. 06.16.08 Conrad Siegel Actuaries – Police Pension Plan**

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how there were various state laws that govern Municipal Pension Plans in Pennsylvania. She stated how Federal Laws and Regulations have changed and the IRS was now requiring a restatement of documents.

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Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how Conrad Siegel Actuaries was in the process of updating the Pension Plan Documents to comply with both State Pension Laws and Internal Revenue Codes.

Councilman Hawk moved and Councilman DiMiceli seconded to authorize Conrad Siegel Actuaries to draft updated documents for the Police Pension Plan. All voted yes. Motion passed.

15. 06.16.08 DCED – Local Share Account funds – training/technical assistance session
16. 06.16.08 DEP – DEP – LCN Mine Operation
17. 06.16.08 DEP – Authorization to Mine, Bank 8 and 209 Job
18. 06.16.08 DEP – LCN Operation, revision to Bank 8
19. 06.18.08 Barry Isett & Associates – 105-109 W. Mill St – repairs satisfactory
20. 06.18.08 Kennedy & Lucadamo – Mayor & Police Department
21. 06.19.08 PennDOT – traffic signal permit modified/revised

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to approve all communications and place them on file. All voted yes. Motion passed.

BILLS TO BE RATIFIED, EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

Councilman DiMiceli moved and President DeMarco seconded to deposit all receipts, approve all bills to be ratified and pay all other bills including the expenditures of the Home Program. All voted yes. Motion

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. STREETS MARK STROMELO, CHAIRMAN; DON DeMARCO, CO-CHAIRMAN; MICHAEL SNISCAK, JR

President DeMarco stated about getting two loads of stone. Councilman Jacobs stated how they awarded the bid for the modified to Hazleton Materials. He stated how they would rather get the materials from Lehigh. President DeMarco stated how David Digilio and Sal Digilio told him how the modified from Hazleton Materials was too dirty (there was too much dirt mixed in with it).

Councilman Jacobs stated how the material was state certified and the state was very strict. He stated that since they did not award the bid to Lehigh, they would not be able to take the funds out of Liquid Fuels. Councilman Hawk stated that he would not disagree on how there was a big difference between the two materials but if that was the low bid and it was certified by the state, they could not buy materials that they could not use Liquid Fuels money for. Councilman Jacobs stated how they can get it delivered for \$2.00 a ton more. President DeMarco stated that he did not have a problem with it.

2. SEWER DAVID HAWK, CHAIRMAN; FRANK JACOBS, CO-CHAIRMAN; FRANK DiMICELI

➤ Results of 2008 Chemical Bids

Councilman Hawk moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to award the Anti-foam, the Gas Chlorine, the Sodium Hypochlorite, the Hydrated Lime, and the Regular Degreaser to Main Pool & Chemical Company, Inc.; and to award Floating Degreaser to Coyne Chemical. All voted yes. Motion passed.

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➤ 06.04.08 David Digilio – Plant Maintenance & Operation

Councilman Hawk stated how they received an outline from the Plant Operator on the repairs he was recommending be done down at the treatment plant. He stated that based on the amount of work and money he would think that the committee would meet with the engineer first to go over it.

3. BUILDINGS FRANK JACOBS, CHAIRMAN; ROSE WALCK, CO-CHAIRMAN; DON DeMARCO

➤ 06.03.08 Gary Hitzemann/Architect – Letter of Understanding

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilman Hawk seconded to hire Gary Hitzemann the Architect to do the plans to turn the garage into the police station. All voted yes except for Councilwoman Walck who was not voting because it was state money. Motion passed.

Councilman Jacobs stated how he had received three quotes for the Fire Extinguisher and the lowest price of \$129.00 for all of the buildings and the vehicles came from Larry Diehl. He stated how he had called him but did not receive an answer yet.

4. POLICE MICHAEL SNISCAK, JR, CHAIRMAN; FRANK DiMICELI, CO- PUBLIC SAFETY CHAIRMAN; DAVID HAWK

No report.

5. SANITATION MARK STROMELO, CHAIRMAN; DAVID HAWK, CO-CHAIRMAN; FRANK DiMICELI

Councilman Hawk stated that they had a committee meeting last month but there was nothing to bring up at that time.

6. RECREATION DAVID HAWK, CHAIRMAN; MARK STROMELO, CO-CHAIRMAN; DON DeMARCO

No report.

7. BUDGET DAVID HAWK, CHAIRMAN; FRANK JACOBS, CO-CHAIRMAN; DON DeMARCO

Councilman Jacobs stated how they all received a copy of the budget to review. He stated how high the gas and heating fuel was.

8. PURCHASING ROSE WALCK, CHAIRWOMAN; FRANK JACOBS, CO-CHAIRMAN; FRANK Di MICELI

Councilman Jacobs stated that they all received a copy of a print-out regarding a new police car. He stated how he had been reviewing some of the bills that had been coming in on the police cars. Councilman Jacobs stated that the quote should include the transfer of the radio. President DeMarco stated how Chief Smith had informed him on how they were having problems with the Chevy Impala. He stated that he had asked Solicitor Yurchak if the Lemon Law could be applied to it. President DeMarco stated how Ed from the Old's Garage had the history of all the things that went wrong with the car. He stated how the problems with the car were from the manufacturer.

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Councilwoman Walck asked if Kovatch was participating in the State Program and also if they were that would mean they would not have to bid it. Councilman DiMiceli asked just because it was that price under the state piggyback program, would another dealer be able to bid the same car, same package at a difference price. Councilman Jacobs stated how it would depend on what percentage the dealer was working under. Councilman DiMiceli stated that they should look at more than one price.

President DeMarco stated that he was talking to Secretary/Treasurer Ahner and they were having a problem with the one computer that Shawn works on. He stated how it was locking/freezing up a lot of the time. He stated how the computers were purchased back in 2000. President DeMarco stated how he had Secretary/Treasurer Ahner check with Computer Pals. He stated that they received a price to rebuild the computers and a price on new computers. He stated that he had spoken to Councilman Hawk before the meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated to upgrade from 40 GB to 80 GB, install CD-DVD burners, upgrade the RAM from 126 to 512 and wireless keyboards and mouse for both computers it would come to over \$1000.00 (parts and labor). She stated how the computers in the office were obsolete and it would be like trying to find parts for a Model T. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how new computers would cost around \$1300.00 each.

Councilman Jacobs asked if they wanted to buy local or did they want to check with the state program. Councilman Hawk stated that the good thing with buying local was that if they needed help they were available. President DeMarco stated how the history with them has been excellent. He stated that one would be paid out of the Sewer/Sanitation Funds and the other would be paid out of the General Fund.

Councilwoman Walck moved and Councilman Sniscak, Jr. seconded to purchase the two new computers from Computer Pals.

President DeMarco stated that the only reason that they were looking into the DVD burner was because of the launch of the Website for pictures. He stated that the other thing they would be looking into purchasing was external hard drives for backing up the systems. President DeMarco stated that when the computers were ready, he was going to ask Secretary/Treasurer Ahner to be here on a weekend because they have to transfer all of the data. He stated that the office could not be without the computers during the week.

All voted yes. Motion passed.

9. FIRE/AMBULANCE PUBLIC SAFETY

**FRANK DiMICELI, CHAIRMAN; DAVID HAWK, CO CHAIRMAN;
MICHAEL SNISCAK, JR**

Councilman DiMiceli stated that the hydrants were tested in the Village of Hauto. He stated that out of eight hydrants, four tested to be good or better. He stated how the other four would probably not be used in the event of a fire. Councilman DiMiceli stated that a letter went out to Lansford/Coaldale Water Authority asking that they be color coded.

Councilman DiMiceli stated that the springs were redone on the ladder truck. He stated that it was back in service and it was only down for a couple of days. He stated how they were that bad, they raised the bumper 12 inches in the front.

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Wednesday, June 25, 2008 at 7:00p.m., Borough Office

Councilman Hawk moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to accept all committee reports. All voted yes. Motion passed.

JR. RECREATION COMMISSION

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

President DeMarco stated that Secretary/Treasurer Ahner would be on vacation July 7th – 11th. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that Althea Higgins will be acting on her behalf while she was away.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Jacobs stated about Liquid Fence. He stated that he did not know what they could do about the odor. He stated how they had talked to Carl Faust about it. Councilman Jacobs stated that whatever they were doing up there late at night, the odor was worse at night. He stated about talking to Mr. Faust the next time they were in the office. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated that Mr. Tirpak does not know what the size of the Air Quality Unit was. Mayor Walck stated that they must have the exhaust fans on a timer and they go off at night. Councilman Jacobs stated that all the complaints they had was either from late at night or real early in the morning. President DeMarco stated about getting in touch with Mr. Faust and if he can shut them down, he would have their blessings. Councilman Hawk stated that when he drives by there in the afternoon there was nothing but in the morning, it was really bad.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman DiMiceli moved and President DeMarco seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

RoniSue Ahner
Secretary-Treasurer