

**ALDAN BOROUGH, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

March 20, 2024

The Borough Council met in session at 7:30 p.m. at the John P McBlain Community Center on the above date with President Procopio presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and led by President Procopio.

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**ROLL CALL**

Council members present: D. Procopio; K Blunt; H. Borders; S. Kelley; J. Lambert; M. Smythe; S. Walker

Council members absent:

Officers present: M. Ceci, Mayor; J. White, Borough Manager; S. Newell, Solicitor; M. Burns, Engineer; P. Rankin, Treasurer

Officers absent:

Motion made by Councilwoman Lambert to amend the agenda to postpone indefinitely to hire CrafTech Computer Solutions to manage all information of technology assets and services for Aldan Borough, seconded by Councilwoman Smythe, and unanimously approved.

**MINUTES**

On a motion made by Councilman Walker, seconded by Councilwoman Blunt, the minutes from the February 2024 Council Meeting be accepted as presented and unanimously approved.

**RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Correspondence was read thanking Aldan Police Officers for always assisting a family during difficult times.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Resident Susan Borders who is also associated with the Darby Library shared safety and protection to watch the Eclipse on Monday, April 8. Free safety glasses were available.

**AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/APPOINTMENTS**

**MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Ceci met with the Recreation Board and appreciated all they are doing for the community. There are discussions regarding a celebration for Juneteenth.

Mayor Ceci shared his disappointment with the postponing indefinitely of hiring an IT company.

**BOROUGH MANAGER**

Borough Manager Mr. White mentioned that letters were sent out to some residents for sewer laterals creating a depression in the street.

Borough Manager Mr. White reported the LED Street Lights are almost complete.

Borough Manager Mr. White reminded residents about the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23, 2024, rain date Saturday, March 30, 2024, the American Legion Pancake Breakfast is rain or shine on Saturday March 23, 2024, 8AM to 12 noon and is \$8 per person.

Borough Manager Mr. White reminded residents how to respond to scams.

Borough Manager Mr. White mentioned that the Storm Water Management bids came in yesterday afternoon. The lowest bidder was Couzins, Inc., \$89,325.00. There were eight bidders in total.

Borough Manager Mr. White read Speed Data Analysis reports.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS****TREASURER**

Treasurer Mrs. Rankin read the Treasurer's Report:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>State Highway Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>
Balance of cash on hand	\$ 274,475.23	\$ 9,173.65	\$ 505,047.83
Receipts for period	\$ 251,284.81	\$ .15	\$ 109,565.00
Transfer from Reserve	\$		
Expenditures Last Month	\$ 214,929.49	\$ 5,150.99	\$ 193,148.00
Ending Balance	\$ 310,830.55	\$ 4,022.96	\$ 421,464.83

Treasurer Mrs. Rankin asked for the council's approval for the following amount of check from General Fund \$214,929.49, from State Highway \$5,150.99, and from Sewer Fund \$193,148.00.

Councilwoman Smythe made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as reported and authorize the disbursement of funds, seconded by Councilman Borders, and unanimously approved.

## **SOLICITOR**

Solicitor Ms. Newell reported that Borough Council met in session regarding Security.

## **ENGINEER**

Engineer Mr. Burns reported they are seeking authorization from the Council to advertise for solicitation of bids for the Storm Water Management project.

## **REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

### **ZONING BOARD**

### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

### **RECREATION BOARD**

The Plant Exchange went well Saturday, March 16. Opening day for baseball is Saturday, April 20.

### **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

### **FINANCE**

Councilwoman Smythe reported on the reserve accounts as of February 29, 2024, in the General Reserve there is a balance of \$309,331.37 the Sewer Reserve has a balance of \$311,687.96 and the Police Capital Reserve has a balance of \$15,392.07.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Councilman Borders reported that residents with sewer lateral issues were being notified.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

Councilwoman Kelley reported the trash totals for the month of February were trash 147.90 tons and recycling 2.73 tons.

Councilwoman Kelley announced that there will be a Darby Creek Cleanup at the Aldan Swim Club on Saturday, April 27, 2024.

Councilwoman Kelley reminded residents that there will be an E-Cycling Event on Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 9AM to 12 noon, Drug Take Back Event held the same day from 10AM to 2PM. Both events will be at the Aldan Borough Municipal Parking Lot.

### **HIGHWAY**

Motion made by Councilman Walker to advertise the Storm Water Management Project At Magnolia And Albert Avenue, seconded by Councilwoman Blunt, and unanimously approved.

Motion made by Councilman Walker to approve Couzins, Inc As Lowest Qualified Bidder For The Storm Water Management Project at Glenwood Avenue, in the amount of \$89,325.00, seconded by Councilwoman Blunt, and unanimously approved.

Councilman Walker gave an update on the Road Program.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Councilwoman Lambert reported the Fire Marshal's report for the month of February, Collingdale Fire Company #33 and Clifton Fire Company #03 responded to 9 calls within the borough, no damages were reported. During the month of February, Collingdale ambulance and various EMS units responded to 29 calls within the borough.

Councilwoman Lambert read the report from our Police Chief regarding calls that our Police Department responded to during the month of February. There was a total of 590 incidents handled by the Aldan Police Department.

### **LAW, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to appoint Commonwealth Code Enforcement as Aldan Borough Pool Inspector, seconded by Councilwoman Smythe, and unanimously approved.

Motion made by Councilwoman Blunt to approve Resolution 2024-05 to Increase Pool Inspection Fees to \$50 Per Pool, seconded by Councilwoman Lambert, and unanimously approved.

Councilwoman Blunt reported during the month of February, we reviewed 49 permits. We approved 35 permits with fees totaling \$16,661.00. We provided 31 site inspections ranging from concrete pre-pours to final inspections for occupancy. We performed 7 transfer inspections and 71 rental inspections.

Councilwoman Blunt gave an update on 2 Springfield Road and 109 Shisler Avenue.

Councilwoman Blunt reported that the Zoning Hearing, February 15, 2024 results for 109 Shisler Avenue.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Various complaints were heard regarding the vehicles being towed from the Giant Food Store parking lot.

Resident Montrell Duckett, 110 Belgrade Avenue, shared his concerns of overgrowth from a neighboring property that is spreading to his property.

President of the Aldan Boosters reminded residents that Saturday, March 23, 2024 is the Easter Egg Hunt and the Easter Bunny event. Saturday, May 4, 2024 is the Plant Sale, which will be bigger and better than ever.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Caucus will be held Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 PM at the John P McBlain Community Center.

Planning Commission will meet Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at the John P McBlain Community Center.

Council will meet Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at the John P McBlain Community Center.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Councilwoman Blunt, seconded by Councilman Walker, and unanimously approved, the regular meeting of the Borough Council was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

**ATTEST**



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Debra Crockett  
Asst. Borough Secretary