

Valencia Borough

Agenda September 9, 2024

President Rob Vigue

Vice President Torey Verts

Councilman Roger Grey

A. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call: All present

C. Changes to Agenda

D. Approval of Minutes                      Motion: Grey                      Seconded: Verts                      Motion carried 3-0

E. Reading of Financials                      Motion: Verts                      Seconded: Grey                      Motion carried 3-0

Councilman Grey requested to see a percentage over budget for future meetings. Forsythe stated she will generate the appropriate report, including for every single budget line item.

F. Paying of Bills                                  Motion: Grey                                  Seconded: Verts                                  Motion carried 3-0

**Recognition of Visitors and Public Comment**

Rich Trosky

Judy Geortz

Margie Little: inquired about building close to property line. Vice President Verts stated must adhere to zoning ordinance or acquire a variance.

**Old Business**

1. Mayor Update

Fetterhoff's property starting to cut grass. Have not removed any garbage. President Vigue stated they need to do something more. Vice President Verts suggested getting help from the County. Want to avoid getting Family Services involved. President Vigue and Mayor Trosky to contact Fetterhoffs. The goal is to see improvement on property unless there are safety concerns.

Mayor Trosky signed up for three classes at BC3. Will attend and bring information to Council.

Mayor Trosky inquired about fundraising for parks. Verts stated there are certain processes and practices that need to be in place first. Brown and Forsythe will investigate.

2. Park Update

Still waiting for response from St. Barnabas about repairing the gazebo. President Vigue stated that St. Barnabas was planning on investigating.

Grass cutting has taken place.

Will repair fence at park. President Vigue suggested doing work on Saturday 9/14.

Inquired about money going into Parks and Rec account and where it comes from. Vice President Verts stated it is transferred from the General Fund into the Parks and Rec account.

### 3. Executive Session Documentation

Vice President Verts read the dates and times of executive sessions that took place in regards to employment.

### 4. Powell Property

Powells have agreed to an easement with the stipulation using information that was previously presented.

### 5. Audit Update and Finalization

President Vigue presented complete 2023 audit. Vice President Verts would like to review in more detail. President Vigue to send out digital copies. To be put on next agenda for approval.

### 6. Liquid Fuels Audit – Preparation

Audit to take place on September 18 at 9:30 AM. Vice President Verts outlined information still needed. Vice President Verts to work with Brown and Forsythe to get everything organized and prepared.

### 7. Street Signs Update

Received a quote from Stephenson Equipment. Are having a problem with the color for the street signs - no longer available. All other signs are ready for pickup. President Vigue working with company to pick a blue color that works with existing signs. If color can't be agreed on soon, Stephenson will invoice for signs that are already ready and signs will be installed.

### 8. St. Barnabas – Follow Up

Vice President Verts and President Vigue had discussion regarding cause of sinkhole. St. Barnabas to be working on. Had very positive conversation with JD Turko. Will get back to Vice President Verts about Ireland Roofing. St. Barnabas to come back with specific number regarding their contribution to Valencia and EMS. Another meeting set for October. Vice President Verts will follow up. Need number to input into 2025 budget.

There is a camera on park that records. President Vigue asked that if anyone sees commercial vehicles in lot to let Council know.

Councilman Grey brought that someone drove into retention pond on New Year's Eve and St. Barnabas was to assess damage. Vice President Verts will follow up and make sure this took place.

### 9. Blighted Properties

72 George Street - certified letter was mailed. No response received. Will have constable serve. President Vigue to document with pictures and video. Also have an abandoned vehicle on property. Have taken property to court previously.

## New Business

### 1. New Hires and Appointments – Secretary and Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer and Assistant Secretary

a. Motion to approve the hiring of Amy Brown as the appointed Secretary and Assistant Treasurer as of September 4, 2024.

- Motion: Vice President Verts
- Seconded: Councilman Grey
- Motion carried 3-0

b. Motion to approve the hiring of Bonnie Forsythe as the appointed Treasurer and Assistant Secretary as of September 4, 2024.

- Motion: Vice President Verts
- Seconded: Councilman Grey
- Motion carried 3-0

c. Motion to approve Resolution September-9-2024 appointing Torey Verts, Bonnie Forsythe, and Amy Brown as authorized representatives for Berkheimer.

- Motion: Vice President Verts
- Seconded: President Vigue
- Motion carried 3-0

### 2. 2025 Budget Draft

Vice President Verts presented draft. Forsythe to take over and reformat. Vice President Verts presented several ways to cut down on expenses - St. Barnabas, loan forgiveness, Adams Police, etc.

### 3. New Laptop

Vice President Verts stated new hires need new laptop. Councilman Grey and Vice President Verts are in favor of purchasing one this year. Forsythe and Brown to make suggestions. Will have motion on next month's agenda to purchase.

## Correspondence

Nothing significant other than normal bills. IRS problem has been taken care of. Still have outstanding Medicare problem regarding Anne Squire's withholding. Councilman Grey waiting on response.

**Next Meeting:** October 14, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Adjourn Meeting 7:41 PM

Motion: Grey

Seconded: Verts

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Executive Session - 7:49 PM to 8:09 PM