

**BOROUGH COUNCIL SPECIAL  
MEETING JULY 26, 2023  
7:00 PM**

The July 2023 Borough's Special Meeting was conducted on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. The meeting is usually held in Borough Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 304 South State Street, Borough of Clarks Summit, County of Lackawanna and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Council members in attendance were Ms. Gerrie Carey, Mr. Robert Sheils, Mr. David Jenkins, Mr. Joshua Mitchell, Mr. Frank Besten, Borough Manager Virginia Kehoe, Solicitor Hayes, and Mayor Harry Kelly. Roni Lopez and Kathleen Simrell were absent.

- 1. WORKSESSION:** **President Carey**
  
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT:** **President Carey**  
Boy scout from troop 251. He is earning his communication merit badge. That is why he is attending the meeting.
  
- 3. DISCUSSION:** **President Carey**
  - Next step in the trash conversion process: Ms. Kehoe stated that there are 4 part time applicants for the trash position. She has scheduled interview times with them. The Personnel Committee will have the meeting interviews. Ms. Kehoe has been working on what we need to get established.
  - Discussion re: quality of life, nuisance ordinances: Solicitor Hayes stated that this will go back on the agenda when the draft is finished.
  - Anita Nealon – Lansdowne: She requested making a no left turn from Lansdowne onto State Street. The Chief expressed concerns with recognizing, when you change traffic patterns, this will increase traffic on another borough street. Does Council want to consider an engineer's study. Does the borough want to put up a no left sign at that intersection. Council discussed. Ms. Kehoe would ask the engineer to take a look at this.
  - Phyllis Zampella – Hickory: Ms. Kehoe stated that Ms. Zampella is one of 2 homes on Hickory Lane. She would like to see the road paved. Patching has been done and the road is safe. Ms. Kehoe and the DPW think that paving the street is not warranted. Ms. Kehoe will respond back to Ms. Zampella.

Gerrie Carey mentioned the baseball game dedicated to the Clarks Summit Borough. Frank Besten thanked Bob Sheils for all of his help.

Ms. Kehoe stated that a consulting company that is being used by the association of borough's. They are paying for the company to give us a consult on choosing a new energy. Our contract is expiring. They will give Ms. Kehoe info and she will email that to council.

Bob Shiels asked about the stormwater regionalization. Solicitor Hayes did not receive any additional information.

Gerrie Carey recognized Ben from the Abington Journal. He is writing a story on the baseball game.

Lisa Walters, 302 Main Avenue, stated she is having a problem with him. The fireworks was already discussed. The other problem is with the weeds near her fence. Artie Frank stated that he went by and took pictures of the weeds. The weeds are ruining the fence. Ms. Kehoe will look into this.

**4. REVIEW OF AUGUST 2, 2023 AGENDA**

**5. ADJOURN:**

**President Carey**