

ISSUES, REVIEW & FINANCE WORK SESSION

June 29, 2023

A special meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held to review issues and finance on Thursday, June 29, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance were council members: Joann Brennan, Cheryl Dempsey, Thomas Dempsey, Tony Klazas, William Dempsey, and Mayor Tomko. Absent were Thomas Adamchick and Judy Stednitz-Julian.

Others in attendance included Borough Secretary Roland Price, Treasurer Carol Sutzko, Barbara Artz, Electric Light Superintendent Bob Petrozino, and Police Chief William Dempsey via a phone conference.

Chief Dempsey discussed the possibility of conducting a non-competitive Sergeant's Civil Service Test to officially promote Brad Blanner as Sergeant. Officer Brad Blanner is the only eligible officer to have the qualifications to apply for the Sergeant's position. Attorney Brennan will be consulted on the civil service requirements.

Public Comment

No public comment.

President Dempsey acknowledged the great job the Police Civil Service Commission does. It is impressive and very organized. We couldn't ask for a better committee.

Mayor Tomko requested that the council make a motion on Wednesday to add to the monthly newsletter the illegal use of cones and chairs to save parking spots. He also asked council to consider an ordinance prohibiting campers and trailers from parking on the Borough streets. He questioned if there is already an ordinance in place prohibiting the automobile repairs on a public street, which will be posed to Attorney Brennan at Wednesday's council meeting. He recommended the Sanitation Department conduct a "study" to determine how many residents are not using garbage receptacles. Mayor Tomko commended the Electric Light Department for being on top of the electronic blips we received recently. Maybe we should consider putting pressure on PPL to make sure the problem is handled. Council should also consider printing in the monthly newsletter about illegally parked vehicles, but we should first check with Chief Dempsey about the verbiage.

Electric Light Superintendent Bob Petrozino [provided an explanation of the sensitivity tolerance of the lines coming into town causing the blips. He has contacted PPL; they are currently working with the borough to alleviate the problem in the future.

Illegal parking throughout town is a concern for the safety of drivers, especially at many intersections. Due to number of complaints and the safety hazard, council decided to post some guidelines in the newsletter.

Superintendent Petrozino met with Comcast and resolved the last issue of poles on Ann Street. Wright Contracting was to provide a written quote to replace five bad poles on Ann Street.

President Dempsey questioned the process of posting delinquent customers houses when residents don't pay their utility bills. Petrozino explained the reasoning and legal process for this posting.

President Dempsey asked Petrozino to secure a price quote to install surveillance cameras at the swimming pool.

Carol Sutzko, Borough Treasurer, announced the reimbursement money has been received from FEMA for the abutment repairs at the Lawton Street Bridge.

Secretary Price reviewed the July 2023 Secretary'S Notes.

- The FEMA funds in the amount of \$222,223 have been received for the repairs to the Lawton St. Bridge. The
- The administrative payment (Z-time) for the FEMA project will be received by July 10TH in the amount of \$21,000.

A request for an appraisal for a small sliver of land adjacent to the John Siney Park was sent to Holden Realty. This parcel, when acquired, will be used for Handicapped Parking for John Siney Park. Grant applications will be looked at more favorably with handicap parking.

- A request from Pool Manager Debbie Piccioni for an employee party at the pool either the last day the pool is open, after hours or the following day. She is willing to donate food and ask some businesses if they would like to.

Councilwoman Judy Stednitz-Julian requested and received 4 large bags of Pierogies as a donation for the swimming pool's concession stand from Representative Twardzwick.

A list of completed conservership properties was requested for the July council meeting. These properties are ready to be sold and returned to the tax rolls.

An issue with Barn Alley was discussed and it will be followed up at the July Council Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Roland Price
Borough Secretary

Borough Secretary's Notes

August 2023

On September 26, 2023 The Police Civil Service Commission will administer the test to Brad Blanner for the position of sergeant. The test booklet and study guide are on order. In Addition, The Police Civil Service Commission administered a written exam to Christopher Wallace on July 17, 2023. The oral interview will be held on August 9th at 6 p.m.

Michele Brew of 500 Fairview Street submitted a Right to Know Request for all documentation concerning the issue. The process was quite extensive. The response is completed, and it is awaiting pickup.

The new school year is fast approaching, and we are down three full—full time crossing guards.

The accounting firm of Jones and Company notified the Borough that Kelly Zweibel is leaving the firm. Kelly was our auditor. Municipal audits are quite extensive, and Jones & Co. do not have the manpower to continue providing service to us. Right now a request has been made to Cheri Freeh, CPA, CGMA President and CEO of Hutchinson, Gillahan & Freeh, P.C. of Quakertown. This firm was recommended to us by Kutztown and Quakertown, who uses this firm.

I did reach out to Baker Tilly, an accounting firm who has an office in Wyomissing. The firm declined to conduct our audit for the year 2022.

This month we assisted with the following major projects:

Comcast

Becoming administrator for the Police equipment grant.

Attended a hearing to dissolve conservership for the former Ritz Theater

Assisted and attended the preconstruction hearing for the Handicapped Barrier Removal Project

JULY COUNCIL MEETING**July 5, 2023**

The July Council Meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held on Wednesday July 5, 2023, in Council Chambers, St. Clair Borough Municipal Building, 16 S. Third Street, St. Clair. The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

Answering the roll call were council persons: Thomas Adamchick, Joann Brennan, Cheryl Dempsey, Thomas Dempsey, Judy Stednitz-Julian, Tony Klazas, Council President William Dempsey and Mayor Richard Tomko.

Also present included Solicitor Edward Brennan, Engineer Brian Baldwin, Borough Secretary Roland Price, Treasurer Carol Sutzko, Barbara Artz, Police Chief William Dempsey, Fire Chief Frank Uhrin, Code Enforcement Officer Michelle Brestowski, Zoning Officer Greg Stednitz, Rick McShaw, Jamie Van Boskirk, and Jessica Knapp from the Pottsville Republican newspaper.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilperson Joann Brennan read the council prayer.

President Dempsey called to order the July 2023 monthly council meeting.

Copies of the minutes of the previous council meeting have been given to Mayor Tomko and borough council members, are there any errors or corrections? If not, they stand approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rick McShaw appeared as a follow up to the ongoing neighbor issue on Fairview Street. He questioned what the next step would be since the citation was served to Michelle Brew. Attorney Brennan said Michelle Frew has 30 days to respond to the citation by either correcting what was requested in the citation or filing an appeal. The process was reviewed by Attorney Brennan.

President Dempsey read a letter written by Shannon Lafey commending the pool employees of their quick action when she was stung by a bee.

MAYOR'S REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by C. Dempsey, to accept the mayor's report; approved.

Mayor's Report

1. Residents of St. Clair who own firearms of any type should keep their firearms in a secure location within their home. Firearm owners should

make note of the Make, Model, and Serial Number of their firearms in the event of theft.

2. As vacation time is now upon us, residents are reminded that they may obtain a Vacation Form from the St. Clair Police Department. Once the form is filled out and returned to the police department, the police could increase patrols and contact the residents should there be an emergency with their property. Forms may be obtained by calling 570-429-2240 or 570-429-3050 as well as on the St. Clair Borough website.

Historical Note

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Around 1883 George Hayes opened a squib factory. He died in 1890 and his sons held the business together for a few more years after which the business closed.

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Brennan reviewed the properties under conservatorship.
 21 Pike Street – waiting on a hearing to approve the sale
 146 N. Nicholas Street – Attended an all-day hearing with the attendance of Engineer Brian Baldwin and Structural Engineer Dave Miller of Alfred Benesch, Code Enforcement Officer Michelle Brestowski and Roland Price. He attested that they all did a great job testifying. The judge entered an order approving the Borough's final claim for demolition because there is no feasible alternative.
 212 Cherry Street and 307 E. Railroad Street – Ordered the Borough as conservator. Entry will be gained to see if the properties can be rehabbed.
 An executive session was requested to discuss the sale of 438-440 S. Front Street as well as 26 S. Front Street. The judge will have to approve such sale.
 The Hulet property – The adult children from the prior marriage were contacted, they want nothing to do with this property. Notices were sent out to collect costs and for the attorney fees. An estate should have been set up in order for the property to be passed from one person to the next, this did not happen.

The threatening letter written by Joseph M. Maucailla was discussed concerning the sliver of land next to the John Siney Park. Attorney Brennan offered to discuss the situation with him.

Employee George Rennick will officially retire.

Mr. Altshuler at 113 E. Hancock Street agreed to negotiate the sale of 115 E. Hancock Street. The parcel will need to be appraised.

Solicitor Brennan requested an executive session of council to discuss personnel matters and pending litigation.

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick, to accept the report; approved.

President Dempsey requested Attorney Brennan move forward in adopting a solar ordinance.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

On a motion made by Klazas, seconded by Brennan, to accept the report and to make it part of the minutes by reference; approved.

The road caving in the garage of Eleanor Jamosky of Barn Alley was discussed. The Code Enforcement Officer will send a notice of violation to the owner.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT – No report.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick, the report was unanimously approved and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

TREASURER'S REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick, the report was unanimously approved and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

TAX REPORT

On a motion made by Klazas, seconded by C. Dempsey, the report was unanimously approved and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dempsey requested that Council request the Police Civil Service Commission to begin the process to conduct a non-competitive examination to fill the position of Sergeant. Only one qualified policeman in the department has all the necessary requirements to fulfill the position. Other officers have approached the Chief in support of this one qualified officer. Engineer Brian Baldwin and the Chief are working on details for the police equipment grant. The used Charger

will be sold to cover the costs of the current Tahoe expenses, for example, the cameras that aren't covered by the grant.

The Chief requested that council make a motion to formally hire part-time officer Owen Webber.

On a motion made by Klazas, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

President Dempsey added the Police Department and the owner of the Trading Post have had multiple amicable conversations and he is pleased with the outcome. The Chief said the owner was very cooperative concerning the parking and trailers near his business. The problem may start to resolve itself.

ZONING REPORT – On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

A deck on the property on Lawton Street was discussed with the zoning officer. It was concluded that the zoning officer will try to reach out to the resident again. A question came up concerning a complaint listed on the Zoning Report from 6/23/2023. Discussion ensued of whether it is a zoning or a police issue. Chief Dempsey mentioned they are investigating noise and noticed zoning issues at the former ambulance building. Hours of operation and parking were discussed. Attorney Brennan suggested Lehigh Engineering or possibly Jerry Farro assist since there may be zoning or building code issues.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

Fire Chief Uhrin stated a renewal contract with East Norwegian Township is underway.

CODE DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

Council persons C. Dempsey and Klazas, and Mayor Tomko suggested the Code Enforcement Officer inspect a few residences. Code Enforcement Officer Brestowski already addressed the issues.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Dempsey said the situation at 132 South Second Street was addressed.

Letter received from Shannon Heiser:

6/27/2023

Dear St. Clair Borough Council/Code Enforcement,

I am writing today to bring up the issue of the property (formerly 132 South 2nd Street St. Clair, PA) that sits next to my house (130 South 2nd Street). The property was knocked down over a year or so ago and has yet to be filled in. This is a safety hazard not only to the public walking by on a daily basis (there is no fence up keeping people from falling in the hole or from going onto the property) but to my nieces and nephews who are small that come to visit (it only takes a quick minute for something to happen) and to my neighbors on the other side of the property who also have small children. Also, not only is it a hazard, it makes the street look like a dump. I take pride in my home, but I am tired of the property not being taken care of and looking a mess on a daily basis. I feel like I live next to a dump. It should have been filled in when the building was knocked down. I am also tired of hearing other people who walk by (when I am sitting on my porch) commenting on how bad the property looks. My response to them is "I agree and please call the borough to complain." I had called back at the end of May to inform the borough that the grass on the property was very high and needed to be cut (I have 2 dogs and again my nieces and nephews who come to play and I am worried about snakes and other animals that the high grass would attract, and it was also coming in through my fence). A few weeks went by with nothing being done and then my neighbor that is connected to my house took it upon himself to cut the grass as a nice gesture due to knowing that either side of the property has children and dogs who like to be in the yard. Again, it was not his job to do, it's the property owners' job or maybe even the borough's job to make sure the property is maintained. I am pretty sure the issue of the grass would have been taken care of by July 15, 2023, since the Car Cruise is that day (things seem to get done when there is a community event that brings others to our town). I would like this issue of the property being maintained and filled in to be placed on the agenda for the next borough meeting so the issue can be discussed. I would also like to be informed of the outcome of the issue with the property once it's discussed.

Thank you,
Shannon M. Heiser

Letter received from Joseph M. Maucailla:

Received June 30, 2023

Dear Sir. Roland Price, Jr. This means business. I am doing a follow up, on the surprise orchestration short meeting proposal by you, in taking or stealing my little land which is part of my gas station pole sign, and the existing accessory two car garage building standing on the same property structurally in good condition. Once for all stop acting evil, I don't think you are Putin's Family and you don't look Russian. I now you were a good men at one point, that is the reason I did requested, last year and recent months in purchasing extra land from the borough thru you, next to this my property, that exist an extensive amount of property that belongs to the city. The members of the little league expressed to me that they do not use it, which nobody uses the little league. I

need extra property to give safety corridor to my customers. Today you did surprise me, with this nuisance suggestion for you pleasure of giving someone's property which is not good and it is not, yours, with the pretext of parking lot for cars to the little league as eminent domain, mentioning that you are waiting for a grant, this is not a good practice as a city secretary official in destroying my potential existing gas station business. This is call corruption and abuse of your authority. Show me the main highway road that is coming through my property or the main central park that exist. Next to my property is not even a playground is a waste of land and government's money, the little league doesn't care its accidental area is the reason I wanted to buy.

I was not comfortable with your participation at the Borough Hall of St. Clair PA. Last week June 9 at 1:00PM. Which you, surprise me, and to the two officials, this proposal was unknown, which they witnessed because I had an appointment meeting with, Mr. Greg Stednitz and Michelle Brestowski. For you to know, I am Joseph M. Maucailla Developer Real Estate Contractor from Inca Builders LLC. with 41 years of experience in the industry of new constructions, demolitions, Real Estate, and repair of all kind of structures, in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and PA. Citizen of this location, with offices in Girardville PA. And 2144 Niagara St. Buffalo New York, 14207. Phone 716-348-4195.

Furthermore I do need a written explanation about your proposal or you were just yoking. If I do not get any written statement from you I will take this to the next level. Any questions please call me or email me at maucailla@hotmail.com.

Sincerely yours.

Joseph M. Maucailla

Letter from Saint Clair First Primitive Methodist:

John Culbert, Pastor of Saint Clair First Primitive Methodist Church, representing the Community of Caring Christians in town, made up of six churches, is asking for permission to hold a block party on Saturday, September 23, 2023, from noon until 4 p.m. They would like to block off North Mill Street from Hancock Street north for one block to Franklin Street. They would need "No Parking" signs for the block. There will be no gambling for profit or alcohol. They ask that the police drive by occasionally.

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian to approve Saint Clair Hook & Ladder Fire Co. #3 request to run a boot drive on Saturday, July 29, 2023, at 24 North Second Street from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., approved.

OLD BUSINESS

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick to accept George Rennick's retirement as of Tuesday, August 15, 2023, from the St. Clair Borough workforce and to send him a letter of gratitude for his years of service to the community, approved.

President Dempsey commented that George Renick was a particularly good employee, loyal and dependable. He was always there when needed.

On a motion made by Klazas, seconded by Adamchick, to advertise in the newsletter; the leaving of cones, chairs, or any other item put on a public street on a long-term, repetitive basis to save a parking space is illegal and are considered abandoned property and will be taken away by our sanitation and police departments, approved.

On a motion by T. Dempsey, seconded by C. Dempsey to approve the request for appraisal of 115 E. Hancock Street, approved.

NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick, to hire the following employees for the St. Clair Community Pool for the 2023 swim season, approved.

Lifeguard

Logan Strauss
Owen Gretzky

Concession

Sydney Heffron
Aaron Boyer
Nathan Washburn

On a motion by T. Dempsey, seconded by Klazas, to authorize a letter to St. Clair Police Civil Service Commission to conduct a non-competitive sergeant's examination as per the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, approved.

On a motion by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, to authorize the borough employees and pool personnel to hold a swim party upon the pool's closing, approved.

On a motion by Klazas, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, to authorize the Community of Caring Christians to hold a block party on September 23, 2023, with the provisions mentioned in the letter, approved.

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Adamchick, to approve the Resolution for the Thwing Street Bridge Replacement, approved.

Council President Dempsey called an executive session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and personnel matters.

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian to pay all bills and claims properly approved by council, approved.

On a motion made by Stednitz-Julian, seconded by T. Dempsey to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m., approved.

Roland Price
Borough Secretary

Mayor's Report

July 2023

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July 5, 2023

Mr. William Dempsey
Council President
St. Clair Borough Council
16 S Third Street
St. Clair, PA 17970

**RE: Consulting Engineer's Report (CER)
Benesch Project No. 31433.02**

Dear Mr. Dempsey:

The following is the status of engineering services performed by our firm as of this date:

ENGINEERING CONSULTATIONS & CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Property Maintenance Activities (31311.70; 31433.02 Task 6)

We are working with the Borough Secretary, Code Enforcement Officer, and Solicitor to address multiple properties intended for demolition using both County and Borough funds. We have been working with Mr. Charles Altshuler, owner of adjoining properties of 113 E Hancock St, in preparation for its demolition. Initially, 113 and 115 were one house. Over the decades, the home was converted into two residences in various forms, complicating the demolition.

We have also been assisting the Borough with the demolition of 146 N Nichols St, attending a court hearing on May 11, 2023, and another on June 20, 2023. The County will administer this demolition once all conservatorship items are addressed.

Schuylkill County HBR Project

On June 14, 2023, the County received bids for the St. Clair Handicap Barrier Removal (HBR) project to install ADA push button power operation of the exterior door as well as the double-door to Council Chambers (the Council Chambers doors will be replaced with new doors, while the existing exterior door will remain). Two bids were received, and the County has awarded the base bid to the lowest qualified bidder Bognet, Inc. in an amount of \$68,750.00. The County is handling contract and construction administration. However, the contractor is required to coordinate all work with the Borough.

Grant Assistance (31433.02, Task 5)

Our office has been working with the Chief of Police in satisfying PCCD requests for further information associated with the grant the Police Department received. We will continue to work to address those requests and will assist with PCCD's quarterly reporting requirements.

Additionally, we have been assisting the Borough with receiving updated price quotes associated with the LSA grant to purchase a new garbage truck.

Zoning Officer Assistance (31433.02, Task 3)

Our office has been assisting the new Borough Zoning Officer with various zoning reviews, including the issues associated with 500 Fairview St.



County Hazard Mitigation Planning Process

On May 30, 2023, the County sent a letter to all municipalities informing them that the County will be working to update the *Schuylkill County Hazard Mitigation Plan* (current plan will expire on March 19, 2024). The County requests that you:

1. Complete the "Authorization and Letter of Intent to Participate" and return it to Susan Smith.
2. Designate primary and alternate points of contact (preferably a Borough Official, not just the municipal engineer).
3. Attend the kick-off meeting (date to be determined).

This will be an 8-month process. The Borough's Floodplain Manager would be a good candidate for one of the points of contact.

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENTS

Taco Bell LD (30567.32, Task 2)

The last major outstanding item of work to be performed by the Developer is the paving of the pathway along Mill Street to Taco Bell. This path might become a part of the Schuylkill River Trail. Nevertheless, Taco Bell has been in operation since late 2015. We have reached out to CCCC for a status update several times, but they have not provided any updates.

Coal Creek Commerce Center – Phase III LD (30839.32, Task 2)

As of early 2019, work in the area of the medical office building is essentially complete, although a majority of the remainder of Phase III – including stormwater features – has not yet been started. The NPDES Permit associated with Phase III was set to expire on June 28, 2023. There are three (3) more buildings and associated infrastructure yet to be completed. We have reached out to CCCC for a status update several times, but they have not provided any updates. However, in discussions with the Count Conservation District, they were told that CCCC will be submitting a permit time extension request (typically granted for 12 months).

STS LD (31137.31, Task 1)

Although STS has occupied the facility, some site work related to the detention basin is an outstanding punch list item. We will continue to monitor progress before closing out the project.

AutoZone LD (31137.31, Task 3)

The land development plans have now been recorded, and construction activities have begun. We will continue to monitor the project as construction progresses.

POTENTIAL FUNDING/GRANT SOURCES (31433.02, Task 5)

RECREATION

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND VEHICLES

DEP: Driving PA Forward, Onroad Rebate Program – Trucks and Buses

- Current Status: **CLOSED**
- Anticipated reopening: **July/August 2023 – FINAL ROUND**
- Background: Approximately \$5 million is available to fund rebates for projects that replace or repower fleets of 5 or fewer class 4-8 trucks, port drayage trucks, school buses, shuttle buses, and/or transit buses.
- Uses: Class 4-8 trucks with Model Years 1992-2009 are eligible for rebates for repower or replacement with new diesel, electric or alternative fuel. **Vehicles must be scrapped.**
- Funding: **Max 70% up to the following Maximums per Vehicle:**

Truck Class	Diesel	Alt Fuel
6-7	\$70,000	\$105,000
8	\$122,500	\$157,500



USDA Rural Development: Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program

- **Current Status:** **OPEN**
- **Application Deadline:** Applications accepted continuously throughout the year.
- **Uses:** Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and/or improve essential community facilities (including police & fire stations), purchase equipment (including vehicles), and pay related expenses.
- **Funding:** Low interest direct loans and/or grants (max 75%). Most funding via low-interest loans.

TRANSPORTATION/INFRASTRUCTURE

Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF)

- **Current Status:** **OPEN** (as of Mar 1, 2023)
- **Application Deadline:** **July 31, 2023**
- **Uses:** Funds may be used for the development, rehabilitation and enhancement of transportation assets to existing communities, streetscape, lighting, sidewalk enhancement, pedestrian safety, roadway drainage, connectivity of transportation assets, and transit-oriented development. Bridge replacements and rehabilitations are eligible.
- **Funding:**
 - Grants are available for projects with a total cost of **\$100,000 or more**.
 - Grants **shall not exceed \$3M** for any project.
 - Typically requires 30% local match. However, a provision in the fiscal code **waives the match requirement for municipalities**. This provision is set to expire Dec 31, 2023.

Schuylkill County FY 2023 CDBG Program

- **Current Status:** **OPEN**
- **Application Deadline:** **July 28, 2023, 4:00pm**
- **Background:** The County has opened CDGB funding to non-entitlement communities. To provide information on the 2023 application process and solicit input on the housing and community development needs within the County, the County requests a municipal representative attend a public hearing on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at 1:00 pm in the Commissioners Boardroom.
- **Uses:** Water Lines, Sewer Lines, Stormwater Collection, Recreation, Street Improvements, Handicap Barrier Removal, Economic Development, Public/Community Facility (i.e., Community Senior Citizens Center; Fire Station improvements)
- **Funding:** The County will pay the cost of engineering for final project design and bidding. However, the County will not be responsible for the cost of the initial inspection, design and cost estimate required for this application.

PENDING GRANT APPLICATIONS

2022 Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

Project	Garbage Truck
Total Project Estimate	\$301,609
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Mar 15 2022
Anticipated Award Notification	Mar 16 2023
Application Status	AWARDED \$301,609

2022 DCNR Community Partnerships Program (C2P2), Small Communities (SC) Program

Project	Northward Playground Basketball Courts
Total Project Estimate	\$70,000
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$20,000 (29%)
Date Submitted	Apr 6 2022
Award Notification	Sep 6 2022
Application Status	AWARDED \$50,000

PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD): Local Law Enforcement Support (LLES) Grant Program

Project	Equipment and Technological Upgrades
Total Project Estimate	\$177,018
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Oct 31 2022
Anticipated Award Notification	Mar 8 2023 (Second Rnd)
Application Status	AWARDED \$87,660

2022 Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF)

Project	Thwing St Bridge Replacement
Total Project Estimate	\$2,182,700
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	July 31 2022
Anticipated Award Notification	Mar 16 2023
Application Status	NOT AWARDED

2023 DCNR Community Partnerships Program (C2P2), Small Communities (SC) Program

Project	John Siney Park
Total Project Estimate	\$125,000
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$47,500 (38%)
Date Submitted	Apr 5 2023
Award Notification	Fall 2023
Application Status	Under Review

2023 Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Greenways, Trails, Recreation Program (GTRP)

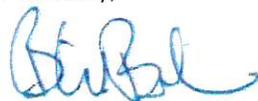
Project	John Siney Park
Total Project Estimate	\$150,000
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$22,500 (15%)
Date Submitted	May 31 2023
Award Notification	Fall 2023
Application Status	Under Review

ST. CLAIR ACTION ITEMS

1. **Property Maintenance Activities** – Council should designate points of contact and return the intent to participate form to the County.
2. **County Hazard Mitigation Plan** – Council should designate points of contact and return the intent to participate form to the County.
3. **Potential Grant Opportunities** – Council may wish to consider any of the open grant opportunities.
 - a. **Transportation/Infrastructure, CFA MTF** – Deadline is July 31, 2023. A resolution is required.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or comments concerning the above, please contact our office.

Sincerely,



Brian W. Baldwin, PE
Project Manager

Attachments: Draft CFA MTF Resolution

cc: Atty. Edward M. Brennan, Solicitor (w/ attachments)

Appendix II – Authorized Official Resolution

Be it RESOLVED, that **Borough of St. Clair** of **Schuylkill County** hereby requests a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant of **\$2,264,000** from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for **Thwing St Bridge Replacement**.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate **William Dempsey, Council President** and **Carol Sutzko, Borough Treasurer** as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the **Borough of St. Clair** and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

I, **Roland Price, Jr.**, duly qualified Secretary of the **Borough of St Clair, Schuylkill County**, PA, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the **St. Clair Borough Council** at a regular meeting held **July 5, 2023** and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the **St. Clair Borough Council** and remains in effect as of this date.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of **Borough of St. Clair**,
this ___ day of **July**, 20**23**.

Borough of St. Clair

Name of Applicant

Schuylkill County

County

Roland Price, Jr.
Borough Secretary

Electric Light Department Report

June 2023

Energy cost for May - \$111,917.41 / 1,445,112 KWH

Monday 6/6 at 7:05 am - outage 19 meters Schuylkill County Housing – Squirrell

Thursday 6/8 at 8:50 am– outage 17 meters West Carroll / Post Row – Squirrell

Sunday 6/11 at 6:16 am– outage 9 meters East Lawton – Squirrell

Tuesday 6/20 at 5:54 am power Blip, PPL device activation, then another power blip PPL side at 4:57 pm.

I contacted our PPL key account manager on Wednesday morning 6/21/23 in regards to the increasing amount of power blips, The next day at 7:58 am we had another Blip, Rudy and I walked /rode out PPL lines found a tree behind Saint Boniface Cemetery hanging over PPL lines, possibly the cause of blips?? Contacted PPL on Thursday 6/22/ to have it removed.

Hung Car Cruise advertising bill boards many areas surrounding Borough.

Completed taking down Hero Banners and Hardware, tagging and storing.

Took 6 large bags of Flags from here and Post office to Sch. Memorial Cemetery for proper Retirement.

Friday 6/23 met with Utility Engineers and Wright’s Electrical Contractor in regards to Com Cast Project.

Responded to many PA ONE calls.

Posted 88 – 48 hour disconnect notices.

Rudy on vacation last week of June, Bob on vacation first week July, only 1 lineman on duty/call???

Performed numerous other jobs, answered and returned many calls and emails throughout month.

Respectfully Submitted;

Robert Petrozino
Superintendent
Electric Light Dept.

07-05-23

Borough of St. Clair
Treasurer's Report - General Fund
May 2023

	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
301.10 · Real Estate Tax, Current	78,758.63
301.30 · Real Estate Tax, Delinquent	1,468.20
310.01 · Per Capita Tax, Current	1,201.90
310.03 · Per Capita Tax, Delinquent	16.50
310.10 · Real Estate Transfer Tax	5,305.98
310.20 · Earned Income Tax	48,318.46
310.30 · Business Privilege Tax	21,997.98
310.41 · Occupation Tax, Current	292.88
310.43 · Occupation Tax, Delinquent	6.93
310.50 · Local Service Tax	7,763.80
331.12 · Police Fines	1,432.66
342.20 · Rental Income - Boro Property	500.00
354.01 · State Grants	25,000.00
355.02 · Motor Vehicle Fuel/Liquid Fuels	3,298.91
357.02 · County Grants - PS	676.64
359 · Intergovernmental Revenue	4,287.09
361.33 · Variance/Zoning Permits	565.00
361.75 · Lien satisfaction Refund	67.75
362.10 · Police Protection Services	7,083.33
364.30 · Solid Waste Collection Fees	32,280.37
389.10 · Refunds	21.70
392.18 · Transfers from Electric Light	100,000.00
Total Income	340,344.71
Expense	
Administration Department	29,744.46
Health & Sanitation Department	19,636.72
Miscellaneous Department	800.00
Planning & Zoning Department	22,523.53
Police Protection Department	49,071.67
403.00 · Tax Collection Department	679.99
409.00 · Borough Buildings Department	5,855.87
411.00 · Fire Department	6,155.22

Borough of St. Clair
Treasurer's Report - General Fund
May 2023

	<u>TOTAL</u>
419.00 · Educational Services	8,934.00
430.00 · Streets & Bridges Department	28,659.19
452.00 · Recreation Department	1,838.04
481.00 · Payroll Tax Expense	4,618.09
487.00 · Employer Benefits & W/H	<u>44,281.39</u>
Total Expense	<u>222,798.17</u>
Net Ordinary Income	117,546.54
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
341.000 · Interest, Dividend Income	<u>2,904.05</u>
Total Other Income	2,904.05
Other Expense	
492.00 · Transfers Department	
492.130 · Transfer to Sinking Fund	25,000.00
492.305 · Transfer to Gen Fund Cap ...	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total 492.00 · Transfers Department	<u>28,000.00</u>

ENDING BALANCE: \$142,511.79

Borough of St. Clair
Balance Sheet
As of May 31, 2023

May 31, 23

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

100.10 · Elec. Lgt. Sales Tax- Mid Penn	14,749.22
100.12 · PLGIT - Elec Light Deposit Acct	10,173.05
100.121 · PLGIT PRIME - Elec. Light Dep.	31,746.19
100.13 · PLGIT - Elect Lgt Capital Rsrv	19,686.92
100.131 · PLGIT PRIME-Elec.Light Cap Res	239,366.29
100.14 · PLGIT - Electric Light Fund	323,990.01
100.15 · PLGIT - FIRE INS ESCROW ACCT	35,574.57
100.16 · PLGIT - General Fund	130,930.85
100.17 · PLGIT - General Fund Cap Reserv	16,686.94
100.171 · PLGIT PRIME-Gen. Fund Cap. ...	280,977.57
100.18 · PLGIT - HD Land Devel Escrow	17,117.95
100.19 · PLGIT - Highway Aid Fund	44.91
100.191 · PLGIT PRIME - Highway Aid Fu...	98,177.16
100.20 · Elec. Light Chk. (Mid Penn)	19,712.82
100.21 · PLGIT - Home Program	8,667.23
100.22 · PLGIT - Recreation Grant Fund	39,979.58
100.221 · PLGIT PRIME - Recreation Grant	171.91
100.23 · PLGIT - Sinking Fund	69,400.49
100.231 · PLGIT PRIME - Sinking Fund	113,201.47
100.24 · PLGIT - Street Opening Permit	19,640.44
100.241 · PLGIT PRIME - Street Opening	45,533.00
100.30 · Gen. Fund Chk. (Mid Penn)	11,580.94
100.40 · PLGIT-Bridge Construction Fund	10,192.22
100.401 · PLGIT PRIME - Bridge Cons. Fu...	97,436.50
100.50 · PLGIT - Demolition Fund	14,553.10
100.501 · PLGIT PRIME - Demolition Fund	201,581.67
100.502 · PLGIT/Reserve-Class - Dem Fu...	2.13
100.90 · PLGIT - Building Permit Fund	7,943.82
105.10 · PLGIT - Payroll Fund	232.96
105.20 · PLGIT - Withholding Account	188.06
110 · Petty Cash	500.00
110.10 · Petty Cash - General Fund	200.00
110.20 · Petty Cash - Swimming Pool - GF	100.00

Total Checking/Savings	1,880,039.97
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Borough of St. Clair
Treasurer's Report - Electric Light Fund
May 2023

	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
7372.40 - Electric Energy Sales	292,700.69
7372.50 - Sales Tax Discounts	25.00
7372.55 - Processing Fees	500.00
7372.57 - Service Fees	200.00
Total Income	293,425.69
Expense	
7401.00 - Electric Light	
7401120 - Superintendent	5,212.04
7402114 - Treasurer	1,288.36
7405300 - Secretary	2,230.20
7409300 - Rental Expense	104.32
7442141 - Office Manager	3,892.80
7442142 - Administrative Assistant	1,619.25
7442143 - Lineman	8,227.20
7442210 - Office Supplies	1,247.44
7442220 - Electrical Materials & Supplies	421.71
7442231 - Gasoline & Oil	162.16
7442260 - Minor Equipment	728.99
7442321 - Telephone	259.04
7442361 - AMP - Ohio	150,565.08
7442370 - Maintenance & Repairs	833.38
7442372 - Technology/Computer Expenses	1,425.00
Total 7401.00 - Electric Light	178,216.97
Total Expense	178,216.97
Net Ordinary Income	115,208.72
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
341.000 - Interest, Dividend Income	2,182.25
Total Other Income	2,182.25
Other Expense	
492.00 - Transfers Department	
492.130 - Transfer to Sinking Fund	11,500.00
492.80 - Transfer to General Fund	100,000.00
Total 492.00 - Transfers Department	111,500.00

ENDING BALANCE: \$345,106.98

Tax Collector's Remittance to Taxing Districts
WILLIAM UMBENHAUR - 2023 - SAINT CLAIR BOROUGH
For 06/01/2023 thru 06/15/2023
Date Created 06/21/2023
SAINT CLAIR BOROUGH Taxing District

		Municipality	Borough Per Capita	Borough Occupation	Other
A. Collections					
1.	Balance Collectable - Beginning of Month	39080.92	4150.00	1743.00	
2A.	Additions: During the Month (*)		30.00	12.60	
2B.	Deductions: Credits During the Month - (from line 17)				
3.	Total Collectable	39080.92	4180.00	1755.60	
4.	Less: Face Collections for the Month	1127.93	60.00	21.00	
5.	Less: Deletions/Exemptions from the List (*)			4.20	
6.	Less: Exonerations (*)		20.00	8.40	
7.	Less: Liens/Non-Lienable/Installments (*)				
8.	Balance collectable - End of Month	37952.99	4100.00	1722.00	
B. Reconciliation of Cash Collected					
9.	Face Amount of Collections - (must agree with line 4+7)	1127.93	60.00	21.00	
10.	Plus: Penalties				
11.	Less: Discounts				
12.	Total Cash Collected per Column	1127.93	60.00	21.00	
13.	Total Cash Collected - (12A + 12B + 12C + 12D)				1208.93

(*) ATTACH ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY YOUR TAXING DISTRICT

C. Payment of Taxes

14. Amount Remitted During the Month (*)

Date	Transaction #	Amount	TOTAL ALL TAXES
Total			0.00

15. Amount Paid with this Report Applicable to this Reporting Month	Transaction #	1208.93
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16. Total Remitted This Month	1208.93
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17. List, Other Credit Adjustments (*)

Parcel / PerCapita #	Name	Amount
Total		0.00

18. Interest Earnings (if applicable)	\$ _____
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TAXING DISTRICT USE (OPTIONAL)

William Umberhauer
Tax Collector

6-21-23
Date

Carryover from Previous Month \$ _____
 Amount Collected This Month \$ _____
 Less Amount Paid this Month \$ _____
 Ending Balance \$ _____

I verify this is a complete and accurate reporting of the balance collectable, taxes collected and remitted for the month.

Received by (taxing district): _____
 Title: _____ Date: _____

I acknowledge the receipt of this report.

Borough of St. Clair
Zoning Officer's Report

June 2023

Application	Application Date	Description	Status	Special Notes
Zoning Permit	5/30/2023	Fence	Permit Issued	
Zoning Permit	6/2/2023	Commercial Sheds in R2	Declined	Will require Zoning Hearing and neighbor's approval
Zoning Permit	6/2/2023	Cargo Containers for Storage	Declined and not advised	Un-sightly advised building traditional Shed
Zoning Permit	6/9/2023	Building Inspection M&S	Building Permit Issued	Contractor neglected to apply
Zoning Permit	6/9/2023	Rebuild Garage	Declined	Drawing submission Requested not enough room
Zoning Permit	6/16/2023	Wig Business	Pending	Meet Owner
Complaint	6/23/2023	Late Hours operation of entertainment	Pending	
Complaint	6/23/20223	Non-Permitted R2 use	In Process	Notice Delivered
Administrative Zoning Activities	6/22/2023	Investigations and consultations	Completed	

Saint Clair Fire Department
Fire Alarm Report
June 2023

June-02 STILL ALARM 14:38 hours 243 North Second Mountain Road, North Manheim Township for a brush fire. Phoenix Fire responded with the brush truck, and 9 members worked with several other units for 4 hours to control the fire. (BF53) In service 4 hours.

June-03 STILL ALARM 15:10 hours 100 Windmill Road Mahanoy Township for a brush fire. Phoenix Fire responded with the brush truck, and 6 members worked with several other units for 6.5 hours to control the fire. (BF30) In service 6.5 hours.

June-03 STILL ALARM 18:16 hours 1 Austins Rd. East Norwegian Township for a vehicle accident unknown injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, Goodwill PC, Cumbola and Deputy Skrobak. Members provided traffic control. (MVA08) In service 1 hour.

June-04 STILL ALARM 10:59 hours 1 East Darkwater Rd. New Castle Township for an off-road rescue. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, Schuylkill EMS, and Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members provided patient care and transported patient up hill to the ambulance. (ORR17) In service 1 hour.

June-05 STILL ALARM 20:44 hours 200 Humane Avenue Pottsville for a fire standby. Alert/Columbia, and Deputy Skrobak responded. Members were on standby for Pottsville companies who operated at a Riley Township building fire. (FSB68) In service 35 minutes.

June-05 STILL ALARM 22:10 hours 1244 Sr. 61 North Blythe Township for a vehicle accident unknown injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, West End, State Police, Game Commission, and all chiefs responded. Three vehicles hit a bear. Members controlled fluids, traffic, and assisted the game commission with removing the bear. (MVA02) In service 1 hour.

June-06 STILL ALARM 12:09 hours 1073 North Skyline Drive Blythe Township for an off-road rescue. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, and all chiefs responded. Members searched the pole line for a person who was riding his bicycle and got lost. Members found him and brought him and his bicycle out to his family at the game lands. (ORR02) In service 2 hours.

June-07 STILL ALARM 17:19 hours 12 Thwing St. for an odor investigation. Alert/Columbia, and Chief Uhrin responded. Members found the odor to be of a propane smell. Members checked a block radius and found the odor to be coming from the storm drain at the corner of Second St. and Thwing St. Members used the meter and found no hazardous levels of kind. Members flushed the drain out with a tank of water. (ODO62) In service 70 minutes.

June-11 CHIEF CALL 11:07 hours 200 block of East Lawton St. for a report of no power. Chief Uhrin responded and found that a breaker had tripped from an apparent squirrel. I contacted the Light Department who came out and restored power. (CHF62) In service 90 minutes.

June-12 STILL ALARM 16:47 hours 243 New St. New Castle Township for a tree down blocking the roadway. Alert/Columbia, and Chief Uhrin responded. Members arrived to find the Township cutting up the tree. No fire needed. (TD17) In service 20 minutes.

June-12 CHIEF CALL 17:39 hours 210 North Second St. for a pump detail. Chief Uhrin responded to find approx. 12 inches of water in the basement. Chief dispatched Alert/Columbia for the detail. (CHF62) In service 80 minutes.

June-12 STILL ALARM 17:45 hours 210 North Second St. for a pump detail. Alert/Columbia, Deputy Skrobak, and Uhrin responded. Members pumped what water they could, members got the water below the oil burner. The occupant said that it is an ongoing problem since the house next door was tore down. The occupant said the Borough is aware of the problem. (PD62) In service 75 minutes.

June-13 STILL ALARM 20:54 hours Eagle Hill Rd. and Caroline Ave. East Norwegian Township for a reported brush fire. Phoenix, West End, and Deputy Skrobak responded. Deputy Skrobak arrives and found it to be a homeowner burning rubbish and placed fire units available. The homeowner extinguished the fire and was made aware of the burning ordinance. (RF08) In service 20 minutes.

June-15 CHIEF CALL 20:23 hours 252 Industrial Park Rd. East Norwegian Township for a smoke investigation. Asst. Johns responded and found a campfire with a tire burning. Chief extinguished the fire and went available. (CHF08) In service 30 minutes.

June-16 CHIEF CALL 08:20 hours 398 Pottsville / St. Clair Highway Lowes for a smoke investigation. Chief Uhrin responded and found a person burning rubbish in Norwegian Township. Chief contacted SCCC of the condition. (CHF62) In service 20 minutes.

June-16 STILL ALARM 21:59 hours 1000 St. Clair / Frackville Grade North, Blythe Township for a vehicle accident unknown injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, West End, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members arrived to find a pickup truck into a tree. All occupants were out of the truck, EMS came in for patient evaluations. Members provided traffic control. (MVA02) In service 1 hour.

June-17 STILL ALARM 15:19 hours 1244 SR.61 Highway New Castle Township for a tree down on the roadway. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members arrived to find tree debris on the roadway. Members cleared the road and went available. (TD17) In service 25 minutes.

June-17 STILL ALARM 18:06 hours New Street and Mt. Laffee Road New Castle Township for a tree down blocking the roadway. Alert/Columbia, West End, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members cut and removed the tree from the road. (TD17) In service 35 minutes.

June-18 CHIEF CALL 19:54 hours 301 East Russell St. for a smoke investigation. Chief Uhrin and SCPD responded. Arrived to find a campfire in the woods above the South Ward Playground that kids had. It was extinguished by a resident, and I used an extinguisher on the remaining hot spots. (CHF62) In service 20 minutes.

June-21 STILL ALARM 12:07 hours 621 Pine St. for an odor investigation. Alert/Columbia, West End, Chief Uhrin and SCPD responded. Members did air monitoring on a vent from 625 Pine St. and around both properties with no readings of any hazards. The Chief asked the occupants in 625 Pine St. if they had smelled any odor which they said that they had no odor. (ODO62) In service 30 minutes.

June-24 STILL ALARM 12:16 hours 364 Pottsville / St. Clair Highway East Norwegian Township for a vehicle accident unknown injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, Chief Uhrin, Skrobak, SCPD, Schuylkill EMS, and State Police responded. Members provided traffic control and cleared roadways of fluids and debris. (MVA08) In service 90 minutes.

June-25 STILL ALARM 00:13 hours 400 East Hancock St. for an odor investigation. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin, Skrobak, and SCPD responded. Members did air monitoring on both sides, and all rooms and floors of the duplex. Members found a leaking propane tank outside; contact was made to gas company emergency number and a representative responded to take care of the leak. (ODO-PL62) In service 45 minutes.

June-30 STILL ALARM 09:33 hours 201 North Second St. Pottsville for a commercial building fire. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members were cancelled before responding. (CSF68) In service 15 minutes.

Comments:

The following alarm boxes were tested; 33,72,151,28.

On Saturday June 17th 3 members of the Fire Department completed their Essentials of Firefighting with a structure burn class at the Schuylkill County Fire School.

On Tuesday June 20th, 2023, the Sprinkler Company tested the system at the St. Clair Elementary School. All alarm systems and the Master Box transmitted correctly.

On Wednesday June 21st, 2023, investigated an odor at 621 Pine St. it was determined that the odor was coming from 625 Pine St. the members did air monitoring and found no hazards.

General Alarms	0
Still Alarms	18
False Alarms	0
Chief Calls/ Public Service	5

Total Calls	23
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Respectfully submitted,


Frank Uhrin Fire Chief

**BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR - CODE ENFORCEMENT – PROPERTY
MAINTENANCE**

16 South Third Street
St Clair, PA 17970

PHONE: 570-429-0640
Fax: 570-429-2829

July 5, 2023

TOTAL COMPLAINTS – 27

RENTAL INSPECTIONS – 6

Respectfully,

Michelle D. Brestowski

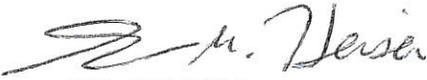
Code Enforcement Officer

6/27/2023

Dear St. Clair Borough Council/Code Enforcement,

I am writing today to bring up the issue of the property (formerly 132 South 2nd Street St. Clair, PA) that sits next to my house (130 South 2nd Street). The property was knocked down over a year or so ago and has yet to be filled in. This is a safety hazard not only to the public walking by on a daily basis (there is no fence up keeping people from falling in the hole or from going onto the property) but to my nieces and nephews who are small that come to visit (it only takes a quick minute for something to happen) and to my neighbors on the other side of the property who also have small children. Also, not only is it a hazard it makes the street look like a dump. I take pride in my home, but I am tired of the property not being taken care of and looking a mess on a daily basis. I feel like I live next to a dump. It should have been filled in when the building was knocked down. I am also tired of hearing other people who walk by (when I am sitting on my porch) commenting on how bad the property looks. My response to them is "I agree and please call the borough to complain". I had called back at the end of May to inform the borough that the grass on the property was very high and needed to be cut (I have 2 dogs and again my nieces and nephews who come to play and I am worried about snakes and other animals that the high grass would attract, and it was also coming in through my fence). A few weeks went by with nothing being done and then my neighbor that is connected to my house took it upon himself to cut the grass as a nice gesture due to knowing that either side of the property has children and dogs who like to be in the yard. Again, it was not his job to do, it's the property owners' job or even maybe the borough's job to make sure the property is maintained. I am pretty sure the issue of the grass would have been taken care of by July 15, 2023, since the Car Cruise is that day (things seem to get done when there is a community event that brings others to our town). I would like this issue of the property being maintained and filled in to be placed on the agenda for the next borough meeting so the issue can be discussed. I would also like to be informed of the outcome of the issue with the property once it's discussed.

Thank You,
Shannon M. Heiser


570-617-1094

OPEN LETTER

Borough of Saint Clair

Joseph M. Maucailla

16 South Third Street

259 West Main Street

St. Clair PA 17970 6/15/2023

Girardville , PA. 17935

City Borough Secretary: Roland Price, Jr.

Owner of: 0, and 417 East Hancock Street

Office phone: (570) 429-0640

ST. Clair, PA. 17970 Phone # 716-348-4195

Re: written explanation.

Dear Sir. Roland Price, Jr. This means business. I am doing a follow up, on the surprise orchestration short meeting proposal by you, in taking or stealing my little land which is part of my gas station pole sign, and the existing accessory two car garage building standing in the same property structurally in good condition. Once for all stop acting evil, I don't think you are Putin's Family and you don't look Russian. I now you were a good men at one point, that is the reason I did requested, last year and recent months in purchasing extra land from the borough thru you, next to this my property, that exist an extensive amount of property that belongs to the city. The members of the little league expressed to me that they do not use it, which nobody uses neither the little league. I need extra property to give safety corridor to my customers. Today you did surprise me, with this nuisance suggestion for you pleasure of giving someone's property which is not good and it is not, yours, with the pretext of parking lot for cars to the little league as eminent domain, mentioning that you are waiting for a grant, this is not a good practice as a city secretary official in destroying my potential existing gas station business. This is call corruption and abuse of your authority. Show me the main highway road that is coming through my property or the main central park that exist. Next to my property is not even a playground is a waste of land and government's money, the little league doesn't care its accidental area is the reason I wanted to buy.

I was not comfortable with your participation at the Borough Hall of St. Clair PA. Last week June 9 at 1:00 PM. Which you, surprise me, and to the two officials, this proposal was unknown, which they witnessed because I had an appointment meeting with, Mr. Greg Stednitz and Michalle Brestowski. For you to know, I am Joseph M. Maucailla, Builder Developer Real Estate Contractor from Inca Builders LLC. with 41 years of experience in the industry of new constructions, demolitions, Real Estate, and repair of all kind of structures, in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and PA. Citizen of this location, with offices in Girardville PA. And 2144 Niagara St. Buffalo New York, 14207. Phone 716-348-4195.

Furthermore I do need a written explanation about your proposal or you were just yoking. If I do not get any written statement from you I will take this to the next level. Any questions please call me or email me at maucailla@hotmail.com.

Sincerely yours.



Joseph M. Maucailla

TO THE MEMBERS OF SAINT CLAIR COUNCIL:

My name is John Culbert, Pastor of the Saint Clair First Primitive Methodist Church. I am representing the Community Of Caring Christians in town, which is made up of six Churches. I am here to ask the council for permission to hold a block party on September 23rd. We would also like permission to block off North Mill Street from Hancock Street north for one block to Franklin Street. If permission is granted there would be no gambling of any sort for profit. We would also provide the certificate of insurance as we did last year. The block party would only be held for one day from noon until about 4:00 P.M. We would also make sure that everything is cleaned up within the one block area. We would also need to have No Parking signs put up for that block. The one final request would be if the police could just drive by every once in a while although we do not anticipate any problems. There definitely would not be alcohol of any sort at the block party! The block party last year in Sept. was a success and there weren't any problems. The four Churches that are involved are The First Primitive Methodist Church, The Presbyterian Church, The Community Mission Church, the Baptist Church, the United Church Of Christ, and the Episcopal Church. If it is possible to do this, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your consideration in this matter. May God bless all of you, and know that the council is in our prayers.

Rev. Robert Schaeffer; Presbyterian Church;

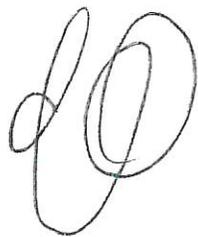
Pastor John Culbert; First Primitive Methodist Church;

Pastors Joe & Mickey McDemus Baptist Church;

Pastor Robert Alonge Community Mission Church

Pastor Jennie Strauc United Church of Christ

Bonnie Baker; Episcopal Church;


John Culbert



Saint Clair Hook & Ladder Co. #3

136 North Second St.

Saint Clair PA, 17970

Dear Borough Council,

The Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. #3 is asking permission from the board to allow the Rescue Hook & Ladder Co #3 to run a boot drive in the borough at below date and time.

Date: 07/29/2023

Location: 24 North Second St. Saint Clair PA. 17970

Time: 0800hrs to 1700hrs

Thank you,
David Linkhorst: Captain 62-3