

ISSUES, REVIEW & FINANCE WORK SESSION October 30, 2024

A special meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held to review issues and finance on Tuesday, October 30, 2024, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance were council members Joann Brennan, Cheryl Dempsey, Judy Stednitz-Julian, Bill Dempsey, Norm Diehl, Tony Klazas, President Thomas Dempsey and Mayor Tomko.

Others in attendance included Borough Secretary Roland Price, Treasurer Carol Sutzko, Electric Light Superintendent Bob Petrozino, Street Superintendent Kevin Dempsey, Police Chief William Dempsey, Patrol Person Cara Kulikosky, Barbara Artz, Shirley Campion, Vaughn Vesay, Darrin Long, Tiffany Coleman, Julia Lambert, Tom Kelly, Mike Petrozino, and Michael Jackson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vaughn Vesay commended Electric Light Superintendent Bob Petrozino, Rudy Grubbs and Josh Poda on a great job painting the metal poles on Second Street. He also mentioned the "St. Clair" sign on Russell Street needs attention.

Shirley Campion extended her heartfelt thoughts to Councilman Norm Diehl concerning an accident that happened on Second Street. She then directed a question to Councilman Diehl asking if he had proper permits to run the alleged haunted house. Diehl responded with, "No comment."

Mike Petrozino is concerned with the late Nick Panko's property on E. Lawton Street. He is a neighbor to the property and heard it was going up for sale. He wanted to know why it was never condemned, why it was never added to the conservatorship list and its status? The borough does not own the property. A lien was placed against the property for cleaning it up. Considering Mr. Panko had no next of kin, had never settled his parents' estate, and the attorney assigned to the case successfully has now become a judge, causing delays in settling the case. Solicitor Brennan recently took over the case to move it forward.

Council woman Stednitz-Julian asked to include in the monthly newsletter the imposed burn ban. She also mentioned the police were going to hand candy out for Halloween in front of the Police Station.

Police Chief William Dempsey mentioned he will be recommending a part time police officer for the next Council Meeting.

Electric Light Superintendent Bob Petrozino announced the Second Street pole painting project is now complete. The Christmas decorations are hung. He also would like to thank Auto Body Repairman Frank Dimarco for making a minor repair to a vehicle that was marked by paint due to pole painting at no charge to the borough. There is a quote in the packets for the second line to be run to the Borough. Superintendent Petrozino

also added, additional work needs to be done at the switch yard which will be discussed at the budget session. A date is forthcoming for a meeting regarding the peak shaving generators. A location is still being sought for their location. Superintendent Petrozino asked for an Executive Session for negotiations.

Mayor Tomko asked council how they intended to pay for the proposed second electrical line into town. Council members asked Treasurer Carol Sutzko questions regarding financing the project. Secretary Price and Treasurer Sutzko will reach out to Concord Financing for an estimate on a bank note for one million dollars to finance the project.

Street Superintendent Kevin Dempsey and the Street Department were commended for a job well done for post Halloween parade and tree clean up.

Treasurer Carol Sutzko presented the council with the Third Quarter Report to assist with budget preparation.

Borough Secretary Price reviewed the Secretary's Notes.

Snyder & Clemente Accountant's firm will be conducting an exit conference of the 2023 financials on Wednesday, November 6 at 1:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Council members and Mayor Tomko are invited to attend.

Flood Plain Management

PEMA required a self-assessment on our flood plain program, which was completed and submitted. A two-hour meeting followed with a PEMA representative, Engineer Baldwin, Code Official Brestowski, and I.

By ordinance, I am the Flood Plain Manager, but I can designate or delegate responsibilities to another person which will be Brestowski, as she is the Borough's Building Code Official (BCO) officer and who has several Flood Plain Management certificates.

PEMA made several suggestions.

Once or twice a month travel through the flood plain area for any signs of man-made changes, such as a house being painted or a new shed in a back yard. These changes must be documented.

The flood plain ordinance must be enforced in the 1% flood plain area. (The blue area on your map.)

Structures being rehabilitated must follow the substantial damage guidelines. (See attached document.) Simply put, if both the structure and land are worth \$100,000, and if the land is worth \$50,000, the structure is worth \$50,000. Any rehab costs greater than 50% of the structure's value (in this case \$25,000), and say there is \$30,000 in renovation costs, then the whole structure must be brought into conformity with the flood plain ordinance. Meaning, the mechanics must be raised above the flood base elevation and waterproof material must be used.

Flood plain training must be taken by the Borough Secretary and Code Officer, some training is free.

As a follow up, PEMA will inspect the borough's records within the next two to five years. Any deficiencies in enforcement will need to be addressed. Otherwise, the borough can be subject to penalties, such as being removed from the Flood Insurance Program, not being eligible for any post-disaster funds, and ultimately any type of pension fund, grant funds, etc.

Due to high health care claims, the Stop Loss Insurance Coverage is requiring additional information that is being provided. Benecon is requesting a Leave of Absence Policy be created and adopted, which I am working on.

- PennDOT announced Wade Road and Hancock Street will be milled and paved and handicap ramps be installed at certain intersections. More information to follow.
- Working with 911 Center, the Post Office and Borough Engineer Brian Baldwin in clarifying some address issues on E. Caroline Avenue (Diener's Hill).
- Waiting for appraisals for 113-115 E. Hancock Street and 6 S. Mill Street from Holden's Realty.
- The Palo Alto Solicitor is consulting with Palo Alto Council on several issues raised by Solicitor Brennan concerning the Palo Alto Police Protection Agreement.
- I am in contact with Tony Defuria from NextEra Energy, Norm Baron and Bob Petrozino on different options concerning the increase in capacity charges.
- Secretary Price requests an Executive Session to discuss negotiations.

Council President Thomas Dempsey called an executive session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss the capacity charge options.

The executive session ended at 7:10 p.m.

The council meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Roland Price, Borough Secretary

NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

November 7, 2024

The November monthly Council Meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held on Thursday, November 7, 2024, in Council Chambers, St. Clair Municipal Building, 16 S. Third Street, St. Clair. The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

Answering the roll call were council members: Joann Brennan, Bill Dempsey, Cheryl Dempsey, Norm Diehl, Judy Stednitz-Julian, Council President Thomas Dempsey and Mayor Tomko. Absent was council member Tony Klazas.

Also, present included Engineer Brian Baldwin, Solicitor Ed Brennan, Borough Secretary Roland Price, Treasurer Carol Sutzko, Police Chief William Dempsey, Police Officer Vincent Bennett, Fire Chief Frank Uhrin, Barbara Artz, Tom Kelly, Mike Jackson, Tiffany Coleman, Bridget Klazas, Mike Petrozino, Erin and Adrian Portland, and Joshua Sophie of Coal Region Canary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council member Joann Brennan read the council prayer.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tiffany Coleman asked what the noise ordinance is and as a community, what do we do for our kids going forward to insure there is going to be something other than schooling? Borough Secretary Price mentioned the ordinances are listed on the Borough web site. Mayor Tomko added, the population of the Borough is older and there are fewer organizations and fewer volunteers to run them. In the past, there were recreation programs and other groups that the Borough supported. The Borough maintains several playgrounds for all age groups, many grants provided refurbished playgrounds and there are impending grants for more updates to them. The Teener League and the little league are considered private entities which are supported by the Borough.

Bridget Klazas expressed concern with the property at 120 Patterson Street. Solicitor Brennan said that Advanced Consulting, who owned the property, and

then sold it to a woman by means of credit card purchases, was given a punch list of code deficiencies by Code Officer Michelle Brestowski. Solicitor Brennan encouraged the current property owner to seek council. The woman is currently trying to sell the property, meanwhile is also working with Code Enforcement.

Erin Portland stated that Department of Environmental Protection is holding a public meeting concerning the BRADS landfill at the St. Clair School District on Tuesday, November 19 from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. She added that BRADS has two applications: one to extend the current permit another 10 years and secondly, to expand the tonnage of the landfill. She is also concerned with the proposed Palo Alto Police Agreement in that we will overextend our police department protection by extending its coverage to another municipality.

Mike Jackson brought to council's attention that the sidewalks in the borough are in poor condition and in some cases a trip hazard. Mayor Tomko added that the responsibility lies with the homeowner and in most cases, they are already on a limited income.

Mike Petrozino was disturbed with the Panko property on E. Lawton Street. Attorney Burke was recently replaced by Solicitor Brennan to handle the estate. Solicitor Brennan is working with Holden Realty to get it sold and torn down. It was not formally condemned by the Borough, but it was cleaned up by the Borough with a lien placed against the property and then secured. The estate was left in disarray and the property at Lawton Street as well as the Second Street property, will need to be brought up to code or demolished. There was no conservatorship done on the property at E. Lawton Street.

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. As the holidays approach, residents are reminded to use designated drivers if celebrating with alcoholic beverages.
2. Residents are urged to be aware of "porch thieves" as holiday deliveries increase.
3. Budget meetings next week, before the meetings, I urge members of council to read my statement in the minutes of December 2023 meeting on the web page concerning the long-term fiscal position of this borough.
4. After talking to Mrs. Michelle Price, wife of our Borough Secretary and President of the St. Clair Women's Club concerning the lighting for the Admiral Joel T. Boone Park which is adjacent to our Borough Hall, it is an honor for me to present our Treasurer Carol Sutzko a check for \$2,558.47 from the Patriotic Order Sons of America Washington Camp 75 which will pay 100% of the cost of the new lights.

Next month my Historical Note will be about St. Clair's native-born son, Admiral Joel T. Boone whom my grandparents taught in the public schools of our town and whom I had the great opportunity to meet on Election Day in 1971 as he always claimed St. Clair as his voting residence.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the St. Clair Lions Club has named William H. Umbenhaur as the St. Clair Lions Club Citizen of the Year for 2024; and,

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WHEREAS, William H. Umbenhaur is a member of various fraternal organizations including Pulaski Lodge #216 F. & A.M. and Mineral Lodge #285, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and has practiced their noble ethical precepts in all of his life's work; and,

WHEREAS, William H. Umbenhaur has served the Borough of St. Clair as Councilman, Borough Superintendent, and Tax Collector for the past 38 years; and,

WHEREAS, William H. Umbenhaur has played an integral role in the political, economic, religious, and social development of the Borough of St. Clair;

Now, Therefore, on this the 27th day of October 2024, I, Mayor Richard E. Tomko do Proclaim that the month of November 2024 be "William H. Umbenhaur Month" in the Borough of St. Clair.

Historical Note

St. Clair Dairy was organized on October 1, 1922 under the proprietorship of Edward Honicker and Walter Stephens.

By 1933 the dairy had grown to have 19 employees and eight delivery trucks.

The St. Clair Dairy ceased to operate in the late 1960's or early 1970's.

On a motion made by Diehl, seconded by C. Dempsey, to accept the report; approved.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Brennan updated council on the conservatorships:

146 N. Nichols Street – Authorized Holden Realty to market property.

26 S. Front Street - Authorized Holden Realty to market property.

212 Cherry Street – Is in mortgage foreclosure and in the process of getting it demolished and eventually sold.

6 S. Mill Street – Demolition completed. Requested appraisal from Holden Realty.

113-115 E. Hancock Street – Large tree removed; demolition completed. Requested Holden Realty to conduct an appraisal.

311 Broad Street – Discuss sale.

214 S. Third Street – Discuss sale.

A letter was sent by Ron Zimmerman, Demolition Coordinator for the County, concerning the properties at 102 and 104 Cherry Street, 311 Broad Street and 438 S. Front Street. The Solicitor asked the county to sign off on the amount proposed for the sales since they are conservatorships and we will probably receive much less than it cost to demolish these properties. With the county grant, the Borough is responsible for 25%, while the county is responsible for 75%. The Solicitor will reach out to Ron Zimmerman.

30 Thompson Street – Recently bought by Advanced Consulting, so we will need to wait six months to act upon it.

A petition will be submitted to dissolve conservatorship for 102 and 104 Cherry Street. Since no one is interested in purchasing the property, the courts will vacate the conservership and they will go up for tax sale.

Solicitor Brennan requested an executive session to discuss the sale of conservatorship properties and brief council on the litigation of the Palo Alto Police Agreement.

On a motion made by B. Dempsey, seconded by C. Dempsey, the report was unanimously approved.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

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

Police Chief Dempsey questioned if we could revisit the weight limits on borough bridges. The BRADS original traffic control plan is not working. Solicitor Brennan encouraged the chief to attend the DEP meeting on November 19th.

Letters to Senator Twardzik, Representative Argall, and to DEP urging DEP to encourage BRADS to enforce the approved traffic plan .

Potential grant opportunities were discussed.

Discussion held about Main Street Matters Grant and how it could apply to the borough.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT – No report.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Carol Sutzko reviewed the Treasurer's report. She added the total of \$238,288.33 to page two of the General Fund Report.

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

TAX REPORT

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

POLICE REPORT

An executive session was called to discuss litigation of the Palo Alto Police Agreement.

The executive session began at 7:40 p.m.

Executive session adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ZONING REPORT

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

Fire Chief Frank Uhrin thanked the Borough workers, the police and the construction workers who assisted at the gas leak on 61, everything went smoothly. Fire Chief Uhrin also thanked the Electric Light and the Street Department for assisting at the school in the fire prevention program that same day. No update is available on the hydrant replacement at this time; the water authority was notified, and he would like to get them in the ground before the winter arrives. A purchase order is requested for Phoenix Fire Company for chassis and pump maintenance for the engine. Council member Brennan asked for an update on which hydrants need to be repaired. The Chief explained all were able to be serviced and are back, except for two; at Caroline Avenue and Hancock Street. They need to be replaced and are ordered.

Mayor Tomko noted that Schuylkill County was put under a severe drought notice.

CODE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

COMMUNICATIONS

October 2, 2024 – Rescue Hook & Ladder Fire Company #3 would like to hold a boot drive on Sunday, November 10, 2024.

October 3, 2024 – Part time police officer Harry Brown submitted his resignation from the St. Clair Police Force.

On a motion by Stednitz-Julian, seconded by B. Dempsey, to accept the communications, approved.

OLD BUSINESS

On a motion by B. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian to adopt the Resolution concerning the Intermunicipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement between the Borough of St. Clair and the Palo Alto Borough and for consideration, discussion and communication of the law enforcement between the Borough of St. Clair and the Borough of Palo Alto. Exhibit A being Resolution 9-2024 which is attached for reference. Paragraphs 12 and 15 were removed, and instead a one-year notice to cancel a five-year contract. Any major revisions would have to be brought back for further consideration, approved. Roll call was taken. Roll Call – Brennan – YES, B. Dempsey – YES, C. Dempsey – YES, Diehl – YES, Stednitz-Julian – YES, T. Dempsey – YES. Approved.

On a motion by B. Dempsey, seconded by C. Dempsey to tentatively approve the sale of 311 Broad Street for \$5,000 and 438 S. Front Street for \$8,000, subject to county and court approval. Roll call was taken. Roll Call – Brennan – YES, B. Dempsey – YES, C. Dempsey – YES, Diehl – YES, Stednitz-Julian – YES, T. Dempsey – YES. Approved.

On a motion by B. Dempsey, seconded by C. Dempsey to authorize the payment for the Little League Project to Paul Risk Associates, Inc. t/d/b/a SLC Excavating, LLC, of the contractor's two applications for payment totaling \$84,121.30, approved.

On a motion by B. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan to authorize the first and final payment to AMS (Asphalt Maintenance Solutions LLC) in the amount of \$19,087.50 for the 2024 Crack Sealing project, approved.

On a motion by B. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian to authorize a resolution to apply for funding and to prepare the grant application for the LSA Statewide Grant for the electric bucket truck, approved.

Council decided to hold off on the Main Street Matters Grant opportunity for a max of \$50,000 and a 25% match required which was due November 15, 2024.

Based on Public Comment, on a motion by C. Dempsey, seconded by Diehl to authorize letters be sent to DEP, state representatives and the state senator asking that they enforce the traffic control plan concerning tractor trailer traffic within the borough and the order control litigation for the BRADS landfill, approved.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by Brennan to authorize letters to be presented from the Chief or other designated Borough representatives to the meeting with DEP raising the traffic issues, raising the odor issues, and lack of a leachate treatment facility which would generate leachate trucks from traveling in the Borough, approved.

On a motion by Brennan, seconded by B. Dempsey to authorize the purchase of parts for the repair of the two fire hydrants in the amount of \$8,712.10 from Core & Main, approved.

On a motion by Brennan, seconded by C. Dempsey to enter into an agreement with Holden Realty to solicit proposals for the sale of 26 S. Front Street, subject to court approval, approved.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by Brennan to enter into an agreement with Holden Realty to solicit proposals for the sale of 146 N. Nichols Street, subject to court approval, approved.

NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by B. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan to conditionally offer employment to Alisha Tucker as a crossing guard at the rate of \$12.50 per hour pending passing her physical examinations and passing her clearances, approved.

On a motion by C. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian to authorize Rescue Hook & Ladder #3 to hold a Boot Drive on Sunday, November 10, 2024, approved.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by C. Dempsey to accept the resignation of part time policeman Harry Brown from the St. Clair Police Department, approved.

On a motion by Brennan, seconded by C. Dempsey, to hire Neiko Eckley as a part time police officer at a rate of \$25.00 per hour contingent upon successful completion of the academy and background check, approved.

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

On a motion by Stednitz-Julian, seconded by C. Dempsey, to adjourn the meeting, at 8:20 p.m., approved.

Roland Price

Borough Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2024

**AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR AND
THE BOROUGH OF PALO ALTO.**

WHEREAS, the Borough of St. Clair and the Borough of Palo Alto wish to enter into an Intermunicipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement pursuant to the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S.A. § 46202(24); and

WHEREAS, said intermunicipal agreements are authorized by the general municipal laws of Pennsylvania pursuant to 53 Pa.C.S.A. § 2304, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Palo Alto is agreeable to contribute to the cost of providing such law enforcement services by making monetary payments to the Borough of St. Clair as noted herein; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of St. Clair desires, by resolution, to authorize said contract for the performance of law enforcement services for the Borough of Palo Alto by the Borough of St. Clair.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 7th day of November, 2024, that:

1. The Borough of St. Clair hereby authorizes, by this Resolution, the Intermunicipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which is incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
2. The appropriate Borough officials are authorized to sign any and all documents and to take any and all actions to enter into said Agreement and to effectuate same.
3. If there are any minor changes to or typographical errors in the attached Agreement, the Agreement may be signed by the Borough officials and the minor changes ratified at a subsequent council meeting.
4. If the Borough of Palo Alto requests any changes which are considered significant by the Borough of St. Clair solicitor, this matter shall be brought before Borough Council to review the significant changes prior to the Agreement being signed by the Borough officials.

anything contained herein, it is agreed that in all instances where special supplies, stationary, notices, forms and the like must be issued in the name of Palo Alto, the same shall be supplied by Palo Alto at its own cost and expense.

5. All persons employed in the performance of such law enforcement services and functions pursuant to this Agreement for Palo Alto shall be St. Clair employees. For the purpose of performing law enforcement services and functions, pursuant to this Agreement and only for the purpose of giving official status to the performance thereof, every St. Clair officer engaged in performing any such law enforcement services and function shall be deemed to be a police officer of Palo Alto while performing law enforcement services for Palo Alto, which is within the scope of this Agreement and is a municipal function.

6. The current organizational structure of the St. Clair Borough Police Department shall be considered the necessary organizational structure to implement this Agreement. It is further understood that St. Clair Borough continues to be empowered to enter into contracts for policies of group insurance and employee benefits, including Social Security, for its employees who provide law enforcement services under this Agreement.

7. Palo Alto shall not be called upon to assume any liability for the direct payment of any salaries, wages, or other compensation to any St. Clair personnel performing law enforcement services hereunder for Palo Alto, or any liability other than that provided for in this Agreement. Except as herein otherwise provided, Palo Alto shall not be liable for compensation or indemnity to any St. Clair employee for injury or sickness arising out of his or her employment.

8. Palo Alto, its officers and employees, shall not be deemed to assume any liability for intentional or negligent acts of St. Clair or of any officer thereof.

9. Law enforcement services shall be provided by St. Clair on the basis of the following payments subject to adjustment as set forth below. Palo Alto agrees to pay the following annual amounts for such services, payable in advance, in equal monthly installments on the first day of each month. The base annual amounts are as follows:

Cost of Services:

2025	\$130,000.00
2026 (plus 5% = \$6,500.00)	\$136,500.00
2027 (plus 5% = \$6,825.00)	\$143,325.00
2028 (plus 5% = \$7,166.25)	\$150,491.25
2029 (plus 5% = \$7,524.56)	\$158,015.81
2030 (plus 5% = \$7,900.79)	\$165,916.60
2031 (plus 5% = \$8,295.83)	\$174,212.43
2032 (plus 5% = \$8,710.62)	\$182,923.05
2033 (plus 5% = \$9,146.15)	\$192,069.20
2034 (plus 5% = \$9,603.46)	\$201,672.66

Payment Schedule:

Monthly payment shall be made on the first day of each month as compensation for the previous month's service.

2025	\$10,833.33
2026	\$11,375.00
2027	\$11,943.75
2028	\$12,540.94
2029	\$13,167.98
2030	\$13,826.38
2031	\$14,517.70
2032	\$15,243.59
2033	\$16,005.77
2035	\$16,806.06

10. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which, when executed and delivered, shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

11. It is the intent of the parties to be covered under the auspices of any applicable immunity granted by law. To the extent permitted by law, each party shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the other party and its officers, employees, or agents from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorney's fees and costs of defense, which such party or its officers, employees, or agents may incur as a result of any claim, demand, suit, or cause of action or proceeding of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to, or resulting from the negligent performance of this Agreement by the other party, its employees, officers and agents. Each party shall promptly notify the other party of each claim, cooperate with the other party in the defense and resolution of each claim and shall not settle or otherwise dispose of the claim without the other party's participation.

The indemnification provisions of this Agreement shall survive termination of this Agreement for any claims that may be filed after the termination date of the Agreement provided the claims are based upon actions that occurred during the term of this Agreement. If a legal action should arise from any event involving St. Clair personnel providing services in Palo Alto under this Agreement, St. Clair will assume responsibility for such legal action.

~~X~~ All revenues resulting from or imposed in connection with arrests, parking tickets, restitution or prosecutions in Palo Alto, by St. Clair, or any other law enforcement agency with jurisdiction, shall be paid to Palo Alto. This includes, but is not limited to, periodic District Justice and Schuylkill County Clerk of Courts payments received by Palo Alto.

13. The St. Clair Police Department will maintain all records relevant to law enforcement services provided to Palo Alto under this Agreement and will submit a monthly report of all police activities including the Uniform Crime Report to Palo Alto on a monthly basis.

14. It is the intention of the parties to provide for regular communication and annual review of law enforcement services provided under this Agreement to ensure adequate levels of service to the Palo Alto community; therefore, the parties agree that St. Clair will provide an annual evaluation of law enforcement services in advance of the Palo Alto Borough Council regularly scheduled meeting for October or at any other time agreed to by the parties. The report will provide a summary of law enforcement activities of the year, goals for the upcoming year, and detail crime statistics including Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Report ("UCR") information and call volume.

~~15.~~ The term of this Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2025, and shall continue until December 31, 2035. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, either party may terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days' notice to the other party at the official address of the respective borough councils. The parties acknowledge that the Borough of St. Clair will incur certain costs to add staff in order to provide the services noted herein. The parties also acknowledge that if this contract is terminated before the term noted herein Palo Alto will incur costs to restart its police department. Therefore, if either party terminates this Agreement prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year anticipated term, the party terminating the Agreement shall pay the other party the sum of \$300,000.00 as liquidated damages. It is the clear intent of the parties to have the liquidated damages provision survive termination of the Agreement. Further, this liquidated damages provision is a non-exclusive remedy, which allows for either party to pursue other remedies available under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

16. This Agreement constitutes the entire and complete Agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all other understandings, arrangements, commitments and representations.

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21. This Agreement may not be amended except in writing executed on behalf of each party.

22. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by each party following enactment by each party of authorizing ordinances pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Actual provision of law enforcement services shall be at the discretion of the acting Chief of St. Clair Police Department. It is the intention of the parties that this Agreement begin as soon as possible on or after January 1, 2025, given the scheduling demands for both municipalities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and intending to be legally bound, the undersigned have executed this Agreement the date and year first above written.

BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR

Mayor

Attest:

Council President

Secretary

BOROUGH OF PALO ALTO

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WHEREAS, William H. Umbenhaur is a member of various fraternal organizations including Pulaski Lodge #216 F. & A.M. and Mineral Lodge #285, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and has practiced their noble ethical precepts in all of his life's work; and,

WHEREAS, William H. Umbenhaur has served the Borough of St. Clair as Councilman, Borough Superintendent, and Tax Collector for the past 38 years; and,

WHEREAS, William H. Umbenhaur has played an integral role in the political, economic, religious, and social development of the Borough of St. Clair;

Now, Therefore, on this the 27th day of October, 2024, I, Mayor Richard E. Tomko do Proclaim that the month of November 2024 be "William H. Umbenhaur Month" in the Borough of St. Clair.

Historical Note

St. Clair Dairy was organized on October 1, 1922 under the proprietorship of Edward Honicker and Walter Stephens.

By 1933 the dairy had grown to have 19 employees and eight delivery trucks.

The St. Clair Dairy ceased to operate in the late 1960's or early 1970's.

November 7, 2024

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

**RE: Consulting Engineer's Report (CER)
Benesch Project No. 32089.02**

Dear Mr. Dempsey:

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

ENGINEERING CONSULTATIONS & CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Grant Assistance (32089.02, Task 5)

PCCD Police Grant

We have been working with the Police Department and the Borough regarding the purchasing and grant reporting requirements. Quarterly reporting is required for the life of the grant term (until March 31, 2025), which we have been providing on behalf of the Borough. Computers have already been purchased and are being utilized. Most of the police radios have been delivered and are being utilized. The remaining grant funds will be used to purchase additional computer and network equipment.

St. Clair Little League Project (31226.20)

On October 17, 2024, a pre-final site inspection was held with the Contractor (SLC Excavating), and a punch list was generated and provided. All work is complete with only a few cleanup items remaining. As such, the Contractor submitted his first application for payment for all work minus retainage, in the amount of \$75,709.17. They also submitted their second and final application for the retainage in the amount of \$8,412.13. Both applications total the original contract price of **\$84,121.30**. We recommend Council approve both applications. The Contractor will revisit the site in the Spring to review grass growth and will reseed if and where necessary.

Our office will continue to assist the Borough with providing progress reports to DCNR as required.

2024 Crack Sealing (32089.02, Task 6)

Asphalt Maintenance Solutions LLC (AMS) has completed installing 750 gallons of asphalt joint and crack sealing under the direction of the Street Department for the amount of **\$19,087.50**. As such, AMS has submitted its first and final invoice for the same amount. Council should consider authorizing this payment.

NFIP Compliance Audit Program (32089.03, Task 1)

On October 23, 2024, our office participated in a meeting with FEMA and Borough officials to discuss the Borough's administration of the Floodplain Ordinance regarding training, reporting, and enforcement. We will continue to assist the Borough Floodplain Administrator with compliance tasks required by FEMA.



SR 1006-M89 (32089.02, Task 6)

On October 30, 2024, PennDOT held a virtual meeting to discuss the planned resurfacing project for Wade Road and Hancock Street. There will be some ADA ramp work associated with the project. Work is planned to begin in June 2025 and end later that year.

Caroline Ave House Numbers (32089.02, Task 3)

The County 911 Center has contacted the Borough regarding house numbering along Caroline Ave in both the Borough and the Township. Our office will assist the Borough with addressing the matter.

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENTS

STS LD (31137.31, Task 1)

All sitework is complete. However, we are awaiting the submission of record plans before closing out this project. The applicant recently stated that they are working through the paperwork for the Notice of Termination relative to the NPDES permit and anticipate providing record drawings shortly.

POTENTIAL FUNDING/GRANT SOURCES (31433.02, Task 5)

RECREATION

2025 DCNR Community Partnerships Program (C2P2), Small Communities (SC) Program

- Current Status: CLOSED
- Opening: Jan 21, 2025
- Application Deadline: **April 2, 2025**
- Uses: Grant funds must be used for rehabilitation and/or new development of basic outdoor recreation and park facilities that provide a high level of recreational value, such as playgrounds and pavilions with ADA accessibility. Priorities this year are planning and development projects that focus on **recreation for all and rehab of existing parks**.
- Funding:
 - **Grant funding ranges from \$60,000 – \$100,000:**
 - \$10,000 is earmarked for Professional Services only and requires no match.
 - \$20,000 is earmarked for Materials and/or Equipment only and requires no match.
 - Grant funds over \$30,000 may be used for Materials, Equipment, and/or Labor and require a \$1 for \$1 match.
 - **Total project costs range from \$90,000 – \$170,000**

DCNR Grant	Match Requirement	Total Project Costs
\$60,000	\$30,000	\$90,000
\$70,000	\$40,000	\$110,000
\$80,000	\$50,000	\$130,000
\$90,000	\$60,000	\$150,000
\$100,000	\$70,000	\$170,000

- Timeline:
 - Anticipated award notifications: Fall 2025
 - Grant agreements begin: Jan 2026
 - Earliest Project Start: Summer/Fall 2026
 - Earliest Project Completion: Fall 2026/Spring 2027
 - Grant Expiration: Dec 2029
- Potential Projects: John Siney Park pavilion replacement, Third Street Basketball Court lighting, Pickleball court, other playground improvements.

2025 Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Greenways, Trails, Recreation Program (GTRP)

- Current Status: CLOSED
- Opening: **Feb 1, 2025**
- Application Deadline: **May 31, 2025**
- Uses: Can fund planning grants, as well as construction/repair/rehab grants, for a wide variety of community recreation facilities, like baseball and soccer fields, basketball courts, playgrounds, pools, etc. Can fund indoor or outdoor facilities.
- Funding:
 - Grants shall not exceed **\$250,000** for any project.
 - **15% local match required**. Can be land value and other state grant funds. In-kind match NOT accepted.
- Timeline:
 - Anticipated award notifications: Fall 2025
 - Grant agreements begin: Jan 2026
 - Earliest Project Start: Summer/Fall 2026
 - Earliest Project Completion: Fall 2026/Spring 2027
 - Grant Expiration: Dec 2030
- Potential Projects: John Siney Park pavilion replacement, Third Street Basketball Court lighting, Pickleball court, other playground improvements.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND VEHICLES

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.

2025 PA DCED: Main Street Matters program (MSM)

- Current Status: **OPEN** (as of Sep 3, 2024)
- Application Deadline: **Nov 15, 2024**
- Uses: The Main Street Matters program is designed to support downtown cores and surrounding neighborhoods with tools to create healthy, vibrant, and welcoming communities. Funding is available to support revitalization efforts in planning, business support, aesthetic improvements, and the increase of safety and security.
- Funding: There are different grant opportunities within this program:
 - Planning Grants:
 - Max grant: \$50,000
 - Local Match: **25%**
 - Facade, business improvement, district development:
 - Max grant: varies \$100,000 - \$1,000,000, depending on program
 - Local match: **50% (typ)**
- The program does allow multiple applications

TRANSPORTATION/INFRASTRUCTURE

2025 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF)

- Current Status: CLOSED
- Opening: **Mar 1, 2025**
- Application Deadline: **July 31, 2025**
- 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, although the local match requirement has been waived for municipalities for the past several rounds.
- Anticipated Award Announcement: Spring 2026
- Potential Project(s): Thwing Street Bridge or Carroll Street Bridge replacement; streetscapes, sidewalks, pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements

MULTI-PURPOSE/USE

2024 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

- Current Status: **OPEN** (as of Sep 01, 2024)
- Application Deadline: **Nov 30, 2024**
- Uses: Projects that improve the quality of life of citizens in the community. Eligible projects must be owned and maintained by an eligible applicant or a nonprofit organization. Eligible uses include acquisition; construction; renovation; demolition; infrastructure; purchase of vehicles, machinery and/or equipment; and project design and administrative costs.
- Funding:
 - Grants are available for projects with a total eligible cost of **\$25,000 or more**.
 - Grants **shall not exceed \$1M** for any project.
 - **NO Match is required**. HOWEVER, engineering, design, inspection, and permitting are limited to 10% of total grant award (this is typically insufficient to cover these costs).
 - **Applicants may submit multiple applications.**

HAZARD MITIGATION

FY 2024 FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Swift Current Grant

- Current Status: **OPEN** (as of Nov 01, 2024)
- Application Deadline: **Jan 31, 2025**
- Uses: The purpose of FMA Swift Current is to reduce or eliminate the flood risk to NFIP-participating communities and repetitive flood damage to structures and buildings insured by the NFIP following a flood-related disaster event, and to enhance community flood resilience within NFIP-participating communities. It does so by providing funding for mitigation opportunities immediately after a flood disaster event with the aim of delivering timely mitigation outcomes.
- Funding:
 - Grants are federally funded 75%-100% (typically 75%).
 - PEMA might cover the remaining 25%.

PENDING/AWARDED GRANT APPLICATIONS

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

Project	Garbage Truck
Total Project Estimate	\$306,523.87
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$4,914.87 (1.6%)
Date Submitted	Mar 15 2022
Award Notification	Mar 16 2023
Application Status	AWARDED \$301,609
Grant Period Ends	Jun 30 2026
Project Status	Truck ordered Feb 14, 2024. Expected delivery Dec 2024.

2022 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
Award Notification	Mar 8 2023 (Second Rnd)
Application Status	AWARDED \$87,660
Grant Period Ends	Mar 31 2025
Project Status	Computers installed and already reimbursed by PCCD. Majority of police radios delivered and are in use; awaiting reimbursement. Grant amendment approved to purchase additional computer equipment.

2022 PA 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
Grant Period Ends	Dec 31 2026
Project Status	Design and construction in 2025.

2023 PA 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	Oct 5 2023
Application Status	AWARDED \$77,500
Grant Period Ends	Dec 31 2027
Project Status	Design and construction in 2025.

2023 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

Project	Electric Bucket Truck
Total Project Estimate	\$285,000
<i>Borough Portion</i>	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Nov 30 2023
Award Notification	Oct 22 2024
Application Status	Not Awarded

2023 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

Project	Firehouse Addition
Total Project Estimate	\$651,360
<i>Borough Portion</i>	<i>\$0 (0%)</i>
Date Submitted	Nov 30 2023
Award Notification	Oct 22 2024
Application Status	AWARDED \$400,000

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

Project	Youth Basketball Court (Third St Playground)
Total Project Estimate	\$75,500
<i>Borough Portion</i>	<i>\$11,325 (15%)</i>
Date Submitted	May 31 2024
Anticipated Award Notification	Nov 19 2024
Application Status	Under Review

2024 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF)

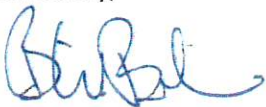
Project	Ann Street Rehabilitation
Total Project Estimate	\$222,500
<i>Borough Portion</i>	<i>\$0 (0%)</i>
Date Submitted	July 31 2024
Anticipated Award Notification	March 2025
Application Status	Under Review

ST. CLAIR POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. **Little League Project** – Council should consider authorizing payment of the contractor's two applications for payment totaling **\$84,121.30** (the original contract amount).
2. **2024 Crack Sealing** – Contractor submitted their first and final invoice in the contracted amount of \$19,087.50. Council should consider authorizing the payment.
3. **Potential Grant Opportunities**
 - a. **2025 PA DCED CFA: LSA Statewide** – Council should consider passing a resolution to apply for funding and should consider authorizing Benesch to prepare the grant application on behalf of the Borough (max \$1M, no match required). **Applications are due Nov 30, 2024.**
 - b. **2025 PA DCED: Main Street Matters** – Council may wish to consider applying for a planning grant (max \$50,000; 25% match required). **Applications are due Nov 15, 2024.**
 - c. **FFY 2024 FY 2024 FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Swift Current Grant** – Council may wish to authorize Benesch to investigate this funding opportunity to determine if the Borough is a highly qualified candidate. Applications are due Jan 31, 2025.

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: CFA LSA-Statewide – Draft Resolution

Cc: Atty. Edward M. Brennan, Solicitor

Appendix I – Authorized Official Resolution

Be it RESOLVED, that the Borough of St. Clair of
Schuylkill County hereby request a Statewide Local Share Assessment grant of
\$ 299,300 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Electric Utility Truck Purchase.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Thomas Dempsey, Council
President, and Carol Sutzko, Borough Treasurer as the official(s) 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 November 7, 2024, 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 the Borough of St. Clair,
this 7th day of November, 2024.

Borough of St. Clair

Name of Applicant

Schuylkill County

County

Roland Price, Jr.,
Borough Secretary

Electric Light Department Report

October 2024

September's Energy Cost / usage = \$144,942.89 / 1,602,315 KWH

Borough Wide Power Blips Sunday 10/6/24 at 13:40 – On PPL side -reclosure activated – 43167/s549979

Borough wide power blip and a localized outage northeast section, Thurs. 10/17 – 9:40 am - restored 40 min.

Completed and electronically filed P.U.C. 56.231 monthly reports for June, July, August and September.

Completed/returned AMP Ohio questionnaire and Borough electrical Data for Peak shaving generators.

10/1/24 - 9:00 am - onsite meeting Dark Water intersection, UGI relocating gas line, there down to Wal-Mart.

Roland / myself met with an Engineer conducting an investigation on UGI main being hit by excavator in May.

On site meeting with Electrical Inspectors at 22 North Second Street, apartments and future Ice Cream Shop.

Installed 4 - 20-amp circuits with 4 GFCI receptacles mounted on outside of rear garage to be used for events.

Continued prepping / painting steel poles on the 400 block of south Second Street, this block is finished.

Started prepping / painting poles on 500 block South Second, pole painting project completed 10-11-24!!

Terminated Electric service to 3 for non-payment – Restored 2 same day, pd. In full + fees.

Trouble with Landlord / owner rehabbing 215 South Morris, cut off service until all work complete / inspected.

Replace blown fuse open delta transformer setup on 100 block north Third Street.

Replace meter that stopped working Schuylkill County Housing Maintenance Building.

Spoke with several customers on usage, payment arrangements, by request, accuracy tests done on 2 meters.

Took Electric Bills to Pottsville post office, old flags from Borough drop box and post office to Sch. Memorial.

Took down banners and some flags on Second Street, preparation to hang Christmas Decorations.

Checked flood lights and PA System for Halloween Parade, Josh worked parade setting up PA system / lighting.

Started to prepare for Budget meeting, projected Energy needs/cost for 2025, Estimate for 2nd feed, etc.

New Electric Service hookup at 438 South Mill Street.

Hung Christmas decorations on Second Street, wired all in, changed bulbs etc.

Hung new service drop, energized new 4 gang base, installed 4 meters (3 new accounts) rear 22 North Second.

Reviewed delinquent book, printed and posted 81 - 48 hour disconnect notices

Performed numerous other jobs, responded to multiple PA ONE calls, answered, returned many phone calls and emails throughout month.

Respectfully Submitted;

Robert Petrozino

11-7-2024

Borough of St Clair
Treasurer's Report - General Fund
September 2024

	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
301.10 · Real Estate Tax, Current	3,308.34
301.30 · Real Estate Tax, Delinquent	1,619.68
310.01 · Per Capita Tax, Current	121.00
310.03 · Per Capita Tax, Delinquent	137.50
310.10 · Real Estate Transfer Tax	3,845.47
310.20 · Earned Income Tax	13,655.15
310.41 · Occupation Tax, Current	32.34
310.43 · Occupation Tax, Delinquent	57.75
310.50 · Local Service Tax	463.93
331.12 · Police Fines	1,762.68
342.20 · Rental Income - Boro Property	12,500.00
355.04 · Beverage License Fees	1,000.00
355.05 · Gen Mun Pension Sys State Aid	150,997.32
355.07 · Foreign Fire Insurance Premi...	12,914.14
359 · Intergovernmental Revenue	155.32
361.33 · Variance/Zoning Permits	100.00
362.10 · Police Protection Services	7,166.67
364.30 · Solid Waste Collection Fees	37,592.93
389.00 · Miscellaneous Income	3,457.80
392.18 · Transfers from Electric Light	100,000.00
Total Income	350,888.02
Expense	
Administration Department	25,488.72
Health & Sanitation Department	60,088.19
Miscellaneous Department	38,755.72
Planning & Zoning Department	6,671.32
Police Protection Department	45,270.94
403.00 · Tax Collection Department	1,383.95
409.00 · Borough Buildings Department	4,237.69
411.00 · Fire Department	15,210.76
419.00 · Educational Services	8,068.84

**Borough of St Clair
Treasurer's Report - General Fund
September 2024**

	TOTAL
430.00 · Streets & Bridges Department	32,769.81
452.00 · Recreation Department	5,686.70
481.00 · Payroll Tax Expense	4,928.47
487.00 · Employer Benefits & W/H	68,999.31
491.00 · Prior Year Expenditure	460.80
Total Expense	318,021.22
Net Ordinary Income	32,866.80
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
341.000 · Interest, Dividend Income	5,010.49
Total Other Income	5,010.49
Other Expense	
492.00 · Transfers Department	
492.130 · Transfer to Sinking Fund	25,000.00
492.305 · Transfer to Gen Fund Cap ...	3,000.00
Total 492.00 · Transfers Department	28,000.00
Total Other Expense	28,000.00

Borough of St Clair
Treasurer's Report - Electric Light Fund
September 2024

	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
7372.40 · Electric Energy Sales	376,361.80
7372.50 · Sales Tax Discounts	25.00
7372.55 · Processing Fees	800.00
7372.57 · Service Fees	500.00
	500.00
Total Income	377,686.80
Expense	
7401.00 · Electric Light	
7401120 · Superintendent	5,420.60
7409300 · Rental Expense	12,212.04
7442141 · Office Manager	4,048.00
7442142 · Administrative Assistant	2,379.68
7442143 · Lineman	4,561.68
7442144 · Assistant Lineman	3,852.80
7442210 · Office Supplies	1,377.40
7442220 · Electrical Materials & Supplies	475.45
7442231 · Gasoline & Oil	189.56
7442321 · Telephone	262.33
7442361 · AMP - Ohio	195,389.96
7442370 · Maintenance & Repairs	940.00
7442372 · Technology/Computer Expenses	1,125.00
	1,125.00
Total 7401.00 · Electric Light	232,234.50
Total Expense	232,234.50
Net Ordinary Income	145,452.30
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
341.000 · Interest, Dividend Income	4,766.31
	4,766.31
Total Other Income	4,766.31
Other Expense	
492.00 · Transfers Department	
492.130 · Transfer to Sinking Fund	11,500.00
492.80 · Transfer to General Fund	100,000.00
	100,000.00
Total 492.00 · Transfers Department	111,500.00

Borough of St Clair
Balance Sheet
As of September 30, 2024

Sep 30, 24

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

100.10 · Elec. Lgt. Sales Tax- Mid Penn	17,303.67
100.12 · PLGIT - Elec Light Deposit Acct	2,752.58
100.121 · PLGIT PRIME - Elec. Light Dep.	23,439.35
100.13 · PLGIT - Elect Lgt Capital Rsrv	3,015.33
100.131 · PLGIT PRIME-Elec.Light Cap R...	321,947.02
100.14 · PLGIT - Electric Light Fund	872,362.78
100.15 · PLGIT - FIRE INS ESCROW ACCT	38,074.24
100.16 · PLGIT - General Fund	201,015.45
100.17 · PLGIT - General Fund Cap Reserv	3,015.33
100.171 · PLGIT PRIME-Gen. Fund Cap. ...	318,181.72
100.18 · PLGIT - HD Land Devel Escrow	17,996.73
100.19 · PLGIT - Highway Aid Fund	31.90
100.191 · PLGIT PRIME - Highway Aid Fu...	94,884.95
100.20 · Elec. Light Chk. (Mid Penn)	5,673.01
100.21 · PLGIT - Home Program	871.60
100.22 · PLGIT - Recreation Grant Fund	54,022.57
100.221 · PLGIT PRIME - Recreation Grant	184.78
100.23 · PLGIT - Sinking Fund	36,653.91
100.231 · PLGIT PRIME - Sinking Fund	403,584.11
100.24 · PLGIT - Street Opening Permit	47.17
100.241 · PLGIT PRIME - Street Opening	80,232.80
100.30 · Gen. Fund Chk. (Mid Penn)	37,272.88
100.40 · PLGIT-Bridge Construction Fund	15.31
100.401 · PLGIT PRIME - Bridge Cons. F...	136,407.33
100.50 · PLGIT - Demolition Fund	6,030.34
100.501 · PLGIT PRIME - Demolition Fund	286,945.36
100.80 · PLGIT - Ann St Maintenance Fund	0.08
100.81 · PLGIT/PRIME Ann St Maintenance	33,465.32
100.90 · PLGIT - Building Permit Fund	104,526.34
105.10 · PLGIT - Payroll Fund	494.01
105.20 · PLGIT - Withholding Account	931.01
110 · Petty Cash	500.00
110.10 · Petty Cash - General Fund	200.00
110.20 · Petty Cash - Swimming Pool - GF	300.00

Total Checking/Savings	3,102,378.98
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Tax Collector's Remittance to Taxing Districts
WILLIAM UMBENHAUR - 2024 - SAINT CLAIR BOROUGH
For 09/01/2024 thru 09/30/2024
Date Created 09/30/2024
SAINT CLAIR BOROUGH Taxing District

		Municipality	Borough Per Capita	Borough Occupation	Other
A. Collections					
1.	Balance Collectable - Beginning of Month	45413.16	3400.00	1428.00	
2A.	Additions: During the Month (*)				
2B.	Deductions: Credits During the Month - (from line 17)				
3.	Total Collectable	45413.16	3400.00	1428.00	
4.	Less: Face Collections for the Month	711.28	50.00	18.90	
5.	Less: Deletions/Exemptions from the List (*)			2.10	
6.	Less: Exonerations (*)		5.00	2.10	
7.	Less: Liens/Non-Lienable/Installments (*)				
8.	Balance collectable - End of Month	44701.88	3345.00	1404.90	
B. Reconciliation of Cash Collected					
9.	Face Amount of Collections - (must agree with line 4+7)	711.28	50.00	18.90	
10.	Plus: Penalties	71.13	5.00	1.89	
11.	Less: Discounts				
12.	Total Cash Collected per Column	782.41	55.00	20.79	
13.	Total Cash Collected - (12A + 12B + 12C + 12D)				858.20

(*) 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 # 858.20

16. Total Remitted This Month 858.20

17. List, Other Credit Adjustments (*)

Parcel / PerCapita #	Name	Amount
Total		0.00

18. Interest Earnings (if applicable) \$ _____

TAXING DISTRICT USE (OPTIONAL)

William Umberhauer Tax Collector 9-30-2024 Date

Carryover from Previous Month \$ _____ I verify this is a complete and accurate reporting of the balance collectable, taxes collected and remitted for the month.

Amount Collected This Month \$ _____

Less Amount Paid this Month \$ _____ Received by (taxing district): _____

Ending Balance \$ _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

I acknowledge the receipt of this report.

Borough of St. Clair
Zoning Officer's Report
October 2024

Application	Application Date	Description	Status	Location
Zoning Inspection	10/12/2024	Fence	Confirmed	16 N. 2nd
Zoning Permit	10/2/2024	Shed Payment	Collected	Coal Fired Pizza
Zoning Permit	10/7/2024	Cell Tower Modifications	Pending	100 Oak Street
Zoning Inspection	10/15/2024	Shed	On-Going	Fairview Street
Zoning Permit	10/18/2024	Axillary Building Payment	Collected	Memorial Stadium
Zoning Permit	10-22-2024	Stand By Generator	Notify non-Payment	Fernwood Ave.

Greg Stednitz
Zoning Officer
11-7-2024

Saint Clair Fire Department
Fire Alarm Report
October 2024

October-01 STILL ALARM 10:52 hours 211 Washington St. Port Carbon for smoke in a structure. Alert/Columbia, and Deputy Skrobak responded with the tower ladder. Members arrived to find an electrical issue. Command released out of town units. **(SIS59)** In service 30 minutes.

October-01 STILL ALARM 14:19 hours 409 Sr. 209 Highway East Norwegian Township for a vehicle accident unknown injury. Alert/Columbia, Good Will, Cumbola, responded. Members provided traffic control. **(MVA08)** In service 45 minutes.

October-01 STILL ALARM 18:26 hours 11 North Second St. for a special assignment. Alert/Columbia, Deputy and SCPD responded. Members use the tower ladder to remove a piece of wood hanging off the roof. **(CHF62)** In service 30 minutes.

October-02 STILL ALARM 08:13 hours 406 SR 209 Highway East Norwegian Township for a tree down. Alert/Columbia, and Deputy Skrobak responded. Members arrived in the area with nothing found. **(TD08)** In service 20 minutes.

October-11 GENERAL ALARM 12:46 hours 125 North Second St. for a smoke detector activation. All companies and Deputy Skrobak responded. Members accessed the basement to locate the alarm and found unsanitary conditions throughout the property. A separate will be filed to the code officer. **(AFA62)** In service 40 minutes.

October-16 STILL ALARM 22:43 hours 298 East Sherman St. for a landing zone. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin, Skrobak, Schuylkill EMS, and SCPD responded. Members secured the landing zone and assisted with lifting. **(LZ62)** In service 45 minutes.

October-17 STILL ALARM 21:23 hours 925 1st St. Mechanicsville for a brush fire. West End, Phoenix responded. Members assisted city units and DCNR crews. In service **(BF68)** In service 2 hours.

October-18 STILL ALARM 20:02 hours Joseph H Long Blvd. and West Hancock St. for a vehicle accident unknown injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, Phoenix, and Fire Police. Members provided traffic control and cleared roadway of debris. **(MVA62)** In service 45 minutes.

October-20 STILL ALARM 19:38 hours 417 Dock St. Schuylkill Haven for a fire standby. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded with an engine and tower. Members were on standby for 2 hours. **(FSB63)** In service 2 hours.

October-21 STILL ALARM 14:50 hours Wood St. and East Washington St. Port Carbon for a brush fire. Phoenix, West End, Chief Uhrin and Johns responded. Members assisted units with extinguishment and overhaul. (BF59) In service 3 hours.

October-22 STILL ALARM 09:25 hours 384 Pottsville / St. Clair Highway East Norwegian Township for a vehicle into a light pole. Alert/Columbia, Asst. Johns and Skrobak responded. Members controlled fluids. (MVA08) In service 35 minutes.

October-22 CHIEF CALL 13:56 hours 350 Terry Rich Blvd. (*Aspen Dental*) for a vehicle over the embankment. Chief Johns and Skrobak responded. Chiefs along with Police found the driver out of the vehicle. Chiefs had an engine respond for the vehicle when it was being towed up the embankment. (CHF62) In service 40 minutes.

October-22 STILL ALARM 14:20 hours 350 Terry Rich Blvd. (*Aspen Dental*) for a vehicle over the embankment. Alert/Columbia, Asst. Johns and Skrobak responded. Members watched as the vehicle was pulled up as a precaution. (MVA62) In service 20 minutes.

October-23 STILL ALARM 06:11 hours 1398 Sr. 61 Highway New Castle Township for a vehicle accident w/injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, West End, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members assisted EMS with patient care. (MVA17) 35 minutes.

October-23 STILL ALARM 07:50 hours 780 Joseph H Long Blvd. for a gas leak. Alert/Columbia, West End, Chief Uhrin, Skrobak, Schuylkill County Emergency Management, SCPD, Fire Police, UGI, PPL, and Construction companies responded. Members secured a water supply and assisted with evacuations and traffic control. (NGL62) In service 8.5 hours.

October-26 STILL ALARM 18:49 hours 1 South Second St. for a Carbon Monoxide alarm. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin and Johns responded. Members did air monitoring on all floors, and found low levels of CO in the basement, ventilation was performed, and the landlord was contacted. (CO62) In service 40 minutes.

October-27 STILL ALARM 17:10 hours New Wade Rd. and Peach Mountain Rd. New Castle Township for a brush/rubbish fire. Pottsville City units along with West End Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members extinguished a small area of brush. (BF17) In service 2 hours.

October-27 STILL ALARM 20:22 hours 236 Mill Creek Avenue East Norwegian Township for a tree down blocking one lane. Alert/Columbia, Phoenix, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members cleared the tree from the roadway. (TD08) In service 15 minutes.

October-28 STILL ALARM 19:43 hours Joseph H Long Blvd. and West Hancock St. for a vehicle accident with injury. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin and Johns responded. Members

controlled fluids and traffic. As members were in the process of taking up, they were sent to a pedestrian accident on North Second St. (MVA62) In service 30 minutes.

October-28 STILL ALARM 20:18 hours 24 North Second St. for a pedestrian accident. Alert/Columbia, Deputy Skrobak responded from Hancock St. and Joseph H Long Blvd. Members assisted with traffic and assisted EMS. (PMVA62) In service 15 minutes.

October-28 STILL ALARM 20:21 hours 298 East Sherman St. for a landing zone. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin, Skrobak, and Johns responded. Members secured the landing zone and assisted with lifting. (LZ62) In service 45 minutes.

Comments:

The following alarm boxes were tested; 33,31,61,43,

On October 23rd, 2024, the St. Clair Fire Department held the annual Fire Prevention Program at the St. Clair Elementary School.

General Alarms	1
Still Alarms	19
False Alarms	0
Chief Calls/ Public Service	1
Total calls	21

Respectfully submitted,



Frank Uhrin Fire Chief

**BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR - CODE ENFORCEMENT – PROPERTY
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November 7, 2024

TOTAL COMPLAINTS – 37

RENTAL INSPECTIONS – 3

Respectfully,

Michelle D. Brestowski

Code Enforcement Officer



Rescue, Hook, And Ladder Fire Company #3, The
136 North Second St.
Saint Clair PA, 17970

The rescue hook and ladder is asking the st.clair borough at
the first week of november if we can do a boot drive this will be our last one of the year

Thank you for ever thing you do for the fire companies in town

Dave linkchorst ,captain at the rescue

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October 3, 2024

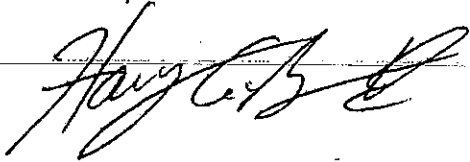
To:

Chief Dempsey and St Clair Borough Officials.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for hiring me to work for your department. Unfortunately, at this time I will be submitting my resignation. It was a pleasure to work for you and serve for your Borough Police Department.

Sincerely

Harry Brown

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harry Brown", written over a horizontal line.