

**OLYPHANT BOROUGH  
CONTINUED COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 28, 2022**

**Roll Call:** Harrington, Hudak, Frushon, Tully, Krukovitz, Abda and Baldan were present.

**New Business:** A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Frushon to confirm authorization for Letter of Acceptance for the \$3,000,000.00 RACP Grant to be utilized for the improvement of the Borough Electric Distribution System in order to provide the electric service to the Tri-Boro Development; on the question, Mustacchio explained the goal is to build a new substation to upgrade the Borough Electrical capacity to accommodate 69KV service; the overall cost of the project is estimated to be \$6 to \$7 million; all members assented.

A motion was made by Tully and seconded by Abda to authorize the purchase of a re-conditioned computer for a Police Vehicle in the approximate amount of \$1,500.00, on the question Hudak asked for an explanation; Mustacchio said the cost of a new computer would be \$6,000.00; all members assented.

A motion was made by Krukovitz and seconded by Harrington to cancel the July ,2022 and August, 2022, Work Sessions, all members assented.

A motion was made by Harrington and seconded by Hudak to adopt the Electric Rate Ordinance; on the question Mustacchio explained it is an increase on the meter charge, changing the rate to \$20.00 per month; it will eliminate the need to purchase Garbage Stickers; the date of the change will be determined at Councils' discretion and will go into effect 30 thirty days after implementation; all members assented.

A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Frushon to Adopt the Residential Rate Ordinance; on the question Mustacchio said it is to establish the promotion of Health and Safety to the Community; rental units will have to be inspected every two years; Shigo said it will also help eliminate blight and enhance living standards; the cost is \$50 per unit; it also has a prevision if a landlord lives beyond ten miles from the Borough, a local manager must be designated; Hudak thanked everyone that work on getting this Ordinance adopted; all members assented.

A motion was made to authorize, for solicitation of bids for paving a section of North Valley Avenue form a point just before the Railroad Tracks to its intersection with the By-Pass and utilizing Liquid Fuels; on the question Hudak asked to have a Work Order to clear the same area of brush and add a curb to eliminate wash out; all members assented.

A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Abda to Introduce retaining Al Kosydar as a consultant on a as needed basis; all members assented.

A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Harrington to authorize retaining Al Kosydar as a consultant on a as needed basis; all members assented.

**Public Comment:** Carol DePietro said she is upset with the proposed change with the Light bill, it doesn't take into consideration, an individual living by themselves and the bills should be pro-rated; Baldan said Council is still taking into consideration such hardships; She said she had asked before, to take care of the holes in the alley along her house; Engineer will take a look at it; Lisa Ketcha 217 Moosic St. said she is on a fixed income and is concerned with future costs of services; she also said she has contacted the Borough about the curbing in front of her house, and asked if it is going to be fixed. Christine Powell said she was happy to see the Rental Ordinance passed, and asked if there was any reason why it was passed now; she said when she was on Council, she brought it up many of times; Frushon said with Covid there was some down time, which allowed for Council review proposals.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Abda and seconded by Krukovitz.  
Secretary

John Tomcho

