

1 OLD FORGE BOROUGH COUNCIL

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5 IN RE: REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

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9 APRIL 19, 2016

10 7:00 P.M.

11 OLD FORGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

12 314 SOUTH MAIN STREET

13 OLD FORGE, PENNSYLVANIA

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17 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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21 DEVON BROWN

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22 LOUIS FEBBO

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25 Mark Wozniak
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1 MR. SEMENZA: Good evening, ladies
2 and gentlemen. I'd like to call the meeting
3 to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

4 (The Pledge of Allegiance was
5 recited.)

6 MR. SEMENZA: Good evening,
7 everyone. Welcome to the April 19th meeting
8 of the Old Forge Borough Council. We'll go
9 through some housekeeping, hear from our
10 department heads. There is a public sign-in
11 sheet for anybody that wants to address
12 council. We'll go down the table and talk
13 to some councilmen. Roll call, please,
14 Bill.

15 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Brown?

16 MR. BROWN: Glad to be here tonight.

17 ATTY. RINALDI: Ms. Cordiano?

18 MS. CORDIANO: Here.

19 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Febbo?

20 MR. FEBBO: Here.

21 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett?

22 MR. FERRETT: Here.

23 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi?

24 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Here.

25 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Lenceski?

1 MR. LENCESKI: Here.

2 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Semenza?

3 MR. SEMENZA: Here. The chair would
4 entertain a motion to approve the minutes
5 from the prior meeting.

6 MR. BROWN: I'd like to make that
7 motion.

8 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Brown.
9 Can I have a second?

10 MR. RINALDI: I'll second it.

11 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
12 Rinaldi. On the question? Public input?
13 Roll called, please.

14 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Brown?

15 MR. BROWN: Yes.

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Ms. Cordiano?

17 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

18 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett?

19 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

20 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Febbo?

21 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

22 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi?

23 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

24 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Lenceski?

25 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

1 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Semenza?

2 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. Second motion is
3 a motion to approve treasurer's reports.

4 Note, this does not include sewer accounts.

5 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that
6 motion.

7 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Rinaldi.
8 Can I have a second?

9 MR. BROWN: I'd like to second that
10 motion.

11 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
12 Brown. On the question? Public input?
13 Roll call, please.

14 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Brown?

15 MR. BROWN: Yes.

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Ms. Cordiano?

17 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

18 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett?

19 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

20 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Febbo?

21 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

22 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi?

23 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

24 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Lenceski?

25 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

1 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Semenza?

2 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The third motion
3 is a motion to approve invoices for payment.
4 Note, this does not include sewer accounts.

5 MR. BROWN: I'd like to make that
6 motion.

7 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Brown.
8 Can I have a second?

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll second
10 that.

11 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
12 Rinaldi. On the question? Public input?
13 Roll call, please.

14 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Brown?

15 MR. BROWN: Yes.

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Ms. Cordiano?

17 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

18 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett?

19 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

20 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Febbo?

21 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

22 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi?

23 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

24 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Lenceski?

25 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

1 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Semenza?

2 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. Fourth motion is
3 a motion to approve sewer department
4 financial reports.

5 MR. BROWN: I'd like to make that
6 motion.

7 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Brown.

8 MS. CORDIANO: I'll second that.

9 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by
10 Councilwoman Cordiano. On the question?
11 Public input? Roll call, please.

12 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Brown?

13 MR. BROWN: Yes.

14 ATTY. RINALDI: Ms. Cordiano?

15 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett?

17 MR. FERRETT: I abstain.

18 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Febbo?

19 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

20 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi?

21 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I abstain.

22 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Lencski?

23 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

24 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Semenza?

25 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The fifth motion

1 is a motion to approve sewer department
2 invoices for payment.

3 MR. BROWN: I'd like to make that
4 motion.

5 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Brown.

6 MS. CORDIANO: I'll second that.

7 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by
8 Councilwoman Cordiano. On the question?
9 Public input? Roll call, please.

10 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Brown?

11 MR. BROWN: Yes.

12 ATTY. RINALDI: Ms. Cordiano?

13 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

14 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett?

15 MR. FERRETT: Abstain.

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Febbo?

17 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

18 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi?

19 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Abstain.

20 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Lenceski?

21 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

22 ATTY. RINALDI: Mr. Semenza?

23 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. I'd like to note
24 for the record that we had a brief executive
25 session before our meeting tonight. We'll

1 go right into department heads. Paul, DPW
2 manager's report, please.

3 (Mr. Papi read his report, which is
4 attached.)

5 MR. SEMENZA: Does anybody have any
6 questions for Paul?

7 MR. FERRETT: I guess you're fully
8 aware of the fact that the road paving
9 program is going to be in existence. We are
10 going to be keeping the millings. Do you
11 have a plan and are you prepared to do
12 whatever's necessary with the --

13 MR. PAPI: Do we have a list of the
14 streets that are going to get milled?

15 MR. FERRETT: No, I'm talking about
16 that. I'm talking about the milling.

17 MR. PAPI: Do we have a list of
18 streets that are going to be being overlaid?
19 We talked the Pagnotti Park road. Is that
20 going to be overlaid?

21 MR. FERRETT: I don't know. We have
22 to talk with the engineer on that point at
23 the present time. I know you were talking
24 about millings for the garage parking lot by
25 Sibley Avenue.

1 MR. PAPI: We're going to have a
2 pre-bid meeting --

3 MR. LOPATKA: Pre-construction
4 meeting.

5 MR. PAPI: Pre-construction meeting
6 for the streets. I guess that's when we'll
7 make up the list.

8 MR. FERRETT: You know about the
9 fact that we are going to keep the millings.
10 That if you have any plans or you know that
11 we're going to have the millings. You can
12 use them wherever you might think necessary.

13 MR. PAPI: I'll have a list.

14 MS. CORDIANO: I had a couple of the
15 elementary parents talk to me about this and
16 I know we talked about it on Oak Street,
17 doing the painting of crosswalks. Almost
18 toward the end of Grace Street, like where
19 people would kind of go the back way and
20 walk down by the side of the school, there,
21 they were wondering if maybe we can get
22 crosswalks painted across Grace Street
23 because it's a high traffic area. I didn't
24 know if it's something we could discuss.

25 MR. PAPI: We can paint wherever we

1 want.

2 MR. SEMENZA: We poke about that a
3 couple meetings ago.

4 MR. PAPI: Yeah. Before school
5 starts we'll freshen up everything.

6 MR. SEMENZA: Josephine Street.

7 MR. PAPI: It's up to you guys.

8 MR. SEMENZA: For the price of what
9 paint cost -- I don't know what it cost,
10 really, but it can't be too expensive.

11 MR. PAPI: Three or four cans to do
12 an intersection.

13 MR. SEMENZA: I wouldn't see a
14 problem with doing it.

15 MR. PAPI: Late in the summer,
16 before school starts.

17 MR. SEMENZA: Thank you, Paul.
18 Steve, zoning code enforcement.

19 (Mr. Bieryla read his report, which
20 is attached.)

21 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
22 questions for Steve?

23 MR. FERRETT: Were you here in 2010?

24 MR. BIERYLA: Very end. I started
25 in December and my start date was 2011. For

1 the whole year of 2010 outside of the month
2 of December --

3 MR. FERRETT: The person before you
4 was here. Correct?

5 MR. BIERYLA: Yes.

6 MR. FERRETT: Is there any records
7 in reference to the Spano development? The
8 permits that were taken out and et cetera,
9 do we have any records on that?

10 MR. BIERYLA: There should be, yes.
11 Without a doubt.

12 MR. FERRETT: Can you pull them and
13 see to it at the next meeting that I get
14 some verbiage on the matter?

15 MR. BIERYLA: Sure. You can address
16 me at a later date. Just let me know
17 exactly what you're looking for.

18 MR. FERRETT: I don't want to come
19 in the office and start bothering everybody.
20 I'd like that verbiage at the meeting.

21 MR. BIERYLA: Once again, Joe, do me
22 a favor. Write it down, give to me what you
23 want, and then at that point I'll make sure
24 I look it up.

25 MR. FERRETT: I think I made myself

1 clear here. We have someone here taking
2 notes. Why do I have to put it in writing?

3 MR. BIERYLA: Well, verbiage is me
4 looking for everything. Is there something
5 specific that you want me to look for?

6 MR. FERRETT: All right, then, let
7 me retract that and say will you get the
8 answer for us?

9 MR. BIERYLA: Okay. I'll look up
10 everything I can, Joe.

11 MAYOR MULKERIN: 212 Wyalusing, will
12 you touch base with Officer Kimball?
13 There's an abandoned vehicle.

14 MR. BIERYLA: We've already done
15 that. Two of them have been removed.
16 There's one that's there that's in despair.
17 The tag is about to run out on that one, so
18 at that point Dave will take over and remove
19 that one.

20 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else have any
21 questions for Steve?

22 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Steve, what
23 type of business are they looking to put in
24 down by the Chicken Coop?

25 MR. BIERYLA: Gun range.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: How about the
2 old Curry Donuts?

3 MR. BIERYLA: They were looking to
4 do another restaurant but she never showed
5 up, so I imagine the deal didn't follow
6 through, because when she called up she said
7 I'm definitely coming, definitely coming,
8 and then there was a no show. So I imagine
9 whatever transpired between her and the
10 owner of the plaza it just didn't pan out.
11 She didn't feel a need to show up.

12 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: The flea
13 markets, there's one on Moosic Road, I saw a
14 sign for one, and one in the old Maxim
15 plant?

16 MR. BIERYLA: They're both in the
17 Maxim plant. The back side is --

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: The sign on
19 Moosic Road is just to direct them in that
20 way?

21 MR. BIERYLA: Yes. There's actually
22 one. American Surplus has half of the back
23 and the flea market runs on Sunday, 9 to 4,
24 the front half of it, which is Joe
25 Anastassi.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Have they been
2 in operation yet?

3 MR. BIERYLA: Yeah, both of them
4 have.

5 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: How long have
6 they been in operation?

7 MR. BIERYLA: The flea market I
8 probably would say a good month, month and a
9 half. The American Surplus, within the last
10 two weeks.

11 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else? Thanks,
12 Steve. Lucille, sewer report?

13 MS. YEAGER: I have nothing to add.

14 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
15 questions for Lucille? Thanks, Lucille.
16 Dave, engineer's report?

17 MR. LOPATKA: Good evening. Just a
18 couple items that I'll go over. The paving
19 program, I just have here send
20 recommendation of award letter to Pennsy
21 Supply, who you voted on last meeting.
22 That's been prepared and sent out to them.
23 I just wanted to talk with Bill about the
24 financing at this point.

25 ATTY. RINALDI: We're on our way.

1 Figure June, latest, end of June.

2 MR. LOPATKA: Fred Street, I
3 received plans from Solicitor Rinaldi on
4 Fred Street. The plans were -- there were
5 three options that were prepared by Penn
6 Eastern, the previous borough engineer.
7 Reviewed those. Option one includes three
8 to four feet of fill with a curbed roadway,
9 some inlets, a dry well to disburse storm
10 water.

11 Option two included a consistent
12 grade running to the end of the proposed
13 cul-de-sac, approximately eight to nine feet
14 of fill, concrete curb, catch basin, dry
15 well and outfall.

16 The third option is similar to
17 option two with regards to grade. Eight to
18 nine foot of fill, some curb, storm water
19 collected on roadside swales and discharged
20 to a stone basin.

21 In our opinion option number one is
22 the best option due to the smaller amount of
23 fill. The roadway should have a cul-de-sac
24 for turn around. There are three lots
25 remaining in the development and will

1 require utilities be extended. Sanitary
2 sewer to these lots will have to be via a
3 lower pressure system with each lot owner
4 required to install a grinder pump. Other
5 required utilities include gas, water,
6 electric, telephone, cable TV.

7 In our opinion, again, I don't think
8 you want to get into filling that whole
9 street with eight or nine feet of fill. To
10 me it doesn't make that much sense to do.
11 Option one that they have I think is the
12 preferred option. One way or another you're
13 going to have to pump storm water and
14 sanitary out of there. Like I said, each
15 individual house will have to have their own
16 grinder pump to do that. The borough will
17 have to provide a low pressure system down
18 the street as part of the installation and
19 have shutoffs at each of the houses so that
20 when the grinder pumps are -- you don't want
21 to have to dig the road up again later on,
22 so you want to stub out to each of those
23 particular lots now so you don't have to
24 worry about doing it later if somebody
25 decides to build on those other parcels.

1 MR. SEMENZA: What do you mean a
2 shutoff on them?

3 MR. LOPATKA: A low pressure system
4 is smaller. It's actually almost like a
5 forced main. Each house has its own grinder
6 pump. The grinder pump will pump basically
7 whatever is in there. If there's one lot
8 there or whether there's three lots there,
9 it will pump it up to where you hit gravity.
10 Somewhere on that road there's gravity that
11 you tie into.

12 So to do that the shutoffs --

13 MR. SEMENZA: Is it like a check
14 valve?

15 MR. LOPATKA: Yeah. Well, what
16 they'll do is they'll run them down the
17 road, run them out to -- stub them at each
18 lot, and you'll have a shutoff there. So
19 when they come to tie into it later on you
20 don't have -- you put all that stuff in
21 prior, then they just have to tap --

22 MR. SEMENZA: So each lot would have
23 a stub to it and a shutoff.

24 MR. LOPATKA: All the utilities
25 basically do the same.

1 MR. SEMENZA: So basically in your
2 opinion, Dave, you're saying that option one
3 is sufficient?

4 MR. LOPATKA: It's less fill for
5 sure, and I honestly don't see why you'd
6 want to fill it as much as eight or nine
7 feet.

8 MR. SEMENZA: If we were to build
9 the road up eight or nine feet you would
10 have to drive down into a driveway.
11 Correct?

12 MR. LOPATKA: Well, there's a little
13 bit of fill there anyway, but if you're,
14 like, three or four feet those people could
15 build their house a little higher and taper
16 their front yards back to the road as
17 opposed to, like you said, if you build it
18 eight feet high they're going to be below
19 the road, which I think will create a little
20 bit more of an issue than three or four
21 foot.

22 MR. FERRETT: Do you anticipate the
23 cost to be greater than what we have, our
24 finances?

25 MR. LOPATKA: What are your

1 finances?

2 MR. SEMENZA: I believe it was
3 \$30,000.

4 MR. LOPATKA: I would say yes.

5 MR. FERRETT: It's going to exceed
6 it?

7 MR. LOPATKA: Yes.

8 MR. FERRETT: Bill, are we fully
9 responsible for all that?

10 ATTY. RINALDI: Yes. It's our bond.
11 We took the bond to complete the work.

12 MR. FERRETT: Well, that's because
13 nobody was there. There was nothing being
14 done. The person that had the bond and
15 everything --

16 ATTY. RINALDI: They went bankrupt,
17 we made a claim on the bond. We had an
18 estimate for the cost of the work, took the
19 bond to complete the work.

20 MR. FERRETT: But the fact is the
21 prices at that time versus the prices today
22 are much greater. So we're going to be
23 responsible no matter what the cost is.
24 Right?

25 ATTY. RINALDI: Well, when we took

1 the bond the price of the project -- I think
2 it was around \$37,000, and instead of
3 litigating it out we settled for 30. Now
4 the price has gone up.

5 MR. SEMENZA: Are we anywhere close?

6 MR. LOPATKA: You're probably off --
7 you're probably at least double that, I
8 would think. I'll do a cost estimate.

9 ATTY. RINALDI: The bond didn't
10 cover fill.

11 MR. FERRETT: I'm just trying to
12 gain some idea. I want to make sure we
13 don't go up to \$50,000 and then the borough
14 is responsible. At least I hope not.

15 ATTY. RINALDI: Well, we are
16 responsible.

17 MR. SEMENZA: I believe we are
18 responsible no matter what, Joe.

19 MR. LOPATKA: I'll do a cost
20 estimate and give you a better idea.

21 Wood Street drainage, I got a call
22 from Paul and met Paul and Lou to take a
23 look at -- we visited the 900 block of Wood
24 Street to determine the cause of storm water
25 overtopping the roadway and running down and

1 washing out a residential driveway and
2 roadway.

3 This block of Wood Street appears to
4 have -- it looks like it has a cross slope
5 in some areas and a crown in the other
6 areas, so the water basically kind of
7 accumulates on the one side until it can't
8 handle it anymore and then it flows over the
9 road. It actually bypasses the existing
10 inlet that's in the road currently on the
11 easterly side of the road. It bypasses that
12 and goes right down his driveway and washes
13 that out.

14 "The water currently runs along the
15 westerly side of Wood Street and is unable
16 to drain into the existing ditch due to the
17 buildup of sediment over the years. Once
18 water gets to the low point in the road it
19 ponds until the puddle is large enough, at
20 which time the water spills across the road,
21 bypassing the existing catch basin and runs
22 down an existing driveway.

23 Due to the relatively flat grade in
24 this area, Reuther-Bowen would recommend a
25 survey be performed along this section of

1 Wood Street to determine how the storm water
2 flows and is trapped in the depressed area
3 along the roadway. Also, survey the
4 existing ditch on the westerly side of Wood
5 Street along with the culvert pipe so the
6 ditch can be established to properly drain
7 the roadway flowing from the existing
8 commercial facility to the southwest."

9 What happens is a lot of water comes
10 out of that existing Pride. It comes out of
11 their driveway, runs down along the westerly
12 side of the road, can't get into that
13 existing ditch that's there. The sediment
14 builds up on the road there and the water
15 basically just runs down that side, gets to
16 the low spot, ponds, and then goes across
17 the road and misses the inlet on the other
18 side and goes right down the driveway.

19 So it's a little bit hard to
20 determine exactly what's happening just by
21 looking at it because the grades are
22 relatively flat through there. The
23 solution, I think, is to re-establish the
24 ditch that's existing there on the westerly
25 side of the street.

1 MR. SEMENZA: If there is a water
2 runoff problem on someone's property coming
3 onto someone else's property, which is the
4 borough road, it would be ours, would we
5 solely be responsible for that or would
6 Pride have to pay some of the -- you know
7 what I'm saying, Bill?

8 ATTY. RINALDI: It's running from
9 one property owner onto another property
10 owner?

11 MR. SEMENZA: It's running from
12 Pride Mobility, running down their driveway,
13 and onto our road. It's supposed to be
14 running into that ditch that's supposed to
15 run into the drainpipe and over into the
16 woods or wherever it goes.

17 MAYOR MULKERIN: Doesn't it go into
18 someone else's property? The guy who was
19 here last month.

20 MR. LOPATKA: Currently that's what
21 happens.

22 MR. SEMENZA: It presently goes
23 across the street into Tom Krenitsky's yard.

24 MR. LOPATKA: There's a ditch that
25 runs down the westerly side of the road.

1 It's all built-up sediment. The ditch isn't
2 really working at all. It's actually
3 running down the edge of the road, getting
4 to a point that's a low point, then going up
5 and spilling over.

6 ATTY. RINALDI: Is it our ditch or
7 Pride's ditch?

8 MR. LOPATKA: I don't know
9 exactly --

10 MR. FERRETT: Is it possible, being
11 that Wood Street is going to be paved, that
12 you shoot the elevations and you can make
13 that water -- if you were to put two catch
14 basins on each side of the road to catch the
15 water before it goes into there? Because
16 actually that catch basin where the water's
17 bypassing on his side, goes down his
18 driveway, that's right in the center -- not
19 in the center but it's right in the driveway
20 going down, and there's nothing to hold the
21 water. The water always bypasses that. But
22 if the storm drain was put up a little
23 higher where you have a lip on the road, and
24 if you're shooting the elevations -- because
25 we've done this one time before up on

1 Corcoran Street. We had a problem. You as
2 the engineer, you can shoot these elevations
3 to see to it that the water goes the proper
4 way.

5 MR. LOPATKA: I can. You currently
6 have a pipe. There's a culvert pipe on the
7 westerly side of the road where that ditch
8 drains to. The problem is the water's not
9 getting into the ditch on that side.

10 MR. FERRETT: If you were to put
11 storm drains on the road itself, forget
12 about that -- who's going to maintain that
13 all the time? We always hear it's not our
14 property, blah, blah, blah. Nothing is
15 being done. By putting storm drains on and
16 you, as an engineer, shooting the right
17 elevations for the water to run the right
18 way we can catch most of that water.

19 MR. LOPATKA: If you're going to do
20 it that way, the best thing to probably do
21 is put a --

22 MR. FERRETT: Well, whatever you
23 think. Something for you to look at.

24 MR. SEMENZA: We can't do that, Joe,
25 because what it's doing is bringing the

1 sediment off that property, all over the
2 road. So every time it rains and the water
3 comes across it's bringing sediment across
4 the road. If you saw it, the road is
5 covered in grit and dirt.

6 MR. FERRETT: It comes both ways
7 this way right where the property is?

8 MR. SEMENZA: No, it's coming off
9 Pride's property, off their driveway, and
10 it's trying to get to that ditch. What's
11 happening is it's pushing right across the
12 road 50 yards up from Tom Krenitsky's house,
13 and it's coming right against his sidewalk
14 and eventually over the sidewalk and
15 flooding his yard.

16 MR. FERRETT: Is the elevation that
17 high that you can't -- you're going to pave
18 the road, that you put the elevation where
19 you can divert the water.

20 MR. SEMENZA: The east side of the
21 road is higher than the west side of the
22 road -- I'm sorry, the west side is higher
23 than the east side.

24 MR. LOPATKA: Well, that's kind of
25 in certain spots. Then it comes back across

1 the road, back to the westerly side of the
2 road. It goes down and gets into a low
3 spot, then puddles up, then it crosses.

4 MR. SEMENZA: Putting storm drains
5 in on that side of the road into that pipe,
6 it's still going to bring sediment across
7 the road. The road's still going to be
8 covered in dirt. I think the right thing to
9 do there is -- that swale was put in for a
10 reason.

11 MR. LOPATKA: Absolutely. You
12 should re-establish the swale. Then you
13 don't have to add anything. Regrade the
14 swale.

15 MR. SEMENZA: Who is responsible for
16 it, is what I want to know.

17 ATTY. RINALDI: How wide is that
18 road?

19 MR. LOPATKA: The right-of-way is
20 probably 50 feet.

21 ATTY. RINALDI: If the swale's in
22 the right-of-way it's our to maintain.

23 MR. LOPATKA: We would need to
24 verify that. I mean, I would imagine that's
25 a 50-foot right-of-way --

1 MR. SEMENZA: Even if water runoff
2 from somebody else's property is causing the
3 issue, Bill?

4 ATTY. RINALDI: If it was done right
5 it was designed to hit -- his water runoff
6 has to go somewhere. It was designed to go
7 into that trench, go through the pipe and
8 across to wherever it was going. Now the
9 trench is full and it's not getting to where
10 it's supposed to be running.

11 MR. SEMENZA: From what I understand
12 that's been cleaned out quite a bit of
13 times.

14 MR. PAPI: Couple times in the last
15 four, five years.

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Is that driveway
17 paved?

18 MR. SEMENZA: Yes.

19 ATTY. RINALDI: Is it breaking up?

20 MR. LOPATKA: I don't think it's
21 breaking up. I think it's quite a bit of
22 impervious coverage, so when the water comes
23 out of that driveway there's a pretty good
24 grade. It's actually running along the edge
25 of the bituminous and it's probably picking

1 up some of the sediment from the slope.

2 ATTY. RINALDI: So it's picking
3 something up?

4 MR. LOPATKA: Yeah, it's picking
5 some of the sediment up from there.

6 MR. SEMENZA: I don't want to pave a
7 road and the first time it rains it's
8 covered with mud.

9 MR. LOPATKA: By crowning the road
10 when they pave it we can get the water to go
11 that way.

12 MR. SEMENZA: Can we crown it that
13 much?

14 MR. LOPATKA: We would still need to
15 make sure that we clean out that swale or
16 else it's still not going to get in there.
17 It seems to be a problem, and there's a
18 couple low spots along at that road. Some
19 of them we could correct with paving. We
20 can't correct the whole problem with paving.
21 I think the ditch needs to be fixed.

22 MR. FEBBO: I think we should
23 address that problem. You were up there,
24 did your engineering study. I think we
25 should continue along with that and get it

1 resolved before we get to the paving
2 program.

3 MR. SEMENZA: Absolutely.

4 ATTY. RINALDI: Get the ditch right,
5 then you've got to adjust the pave.

6 MR. LOPATKA: We need to shoot it.
7 If there was more slope there it would be a
8 little easier to determine what's happening.
9 It's so flat that I think we need to take
10 some shots there.

11 MR. SEMENZA: Bill, do we have a
12 problem with us getting Pride involved?

13 ATTY. RINALDI: You can give them a
14 call.

15 MR. SEMENZA: Would you contact --
16 have the office contact Pride Mobility. I
17 believe Bob Aulisio is the guy that runs
18 that place there. We'll see and go from
19 there. Then Marylynn will just let you know
20 what's going on. Thank you.

21 MR. FERRETT: Dave, let's go back to
22 talking about Fred Street. Our paving
23 program, do we have a little leeway that if
24 we wanted to put a street on that we may be
25 able to add it onto the program?

1 MR. LOPATKA: Currently, yes.

2 MR. FERRETT: Bill, from a legal
3 standpoint can we do this, being that we
4 have the bond, that if we have room in our
5 paving program, that if it exceeds that
6 money that we have something to play with?

7 ATTY. RINALDI: That's why I think
8 we brought it up, so if you have to pave
9 there now is the time.

10 MR. LOPATKA: The way it was bid was
11 unit cost, so if you wanted to add something
12 we know what the numbers are.

13 MR. FEBBO: We still have to put
14 fill in there to bring it up to grade?

15 MR. LOPATKA: We're talking back on
16 Fred Street? You definitely need clean fill
17 to bring it up. You need to put your
18 utilities in. Utilities aren't just
19 sanitary. It would be storm water and you
20 have to put water, electric, telephone. I
21 don't know if they're above ground.

22 MR. PAPI: I believe it's
23 underground, electric. I believe.

24 MR. LOPATKA: We'd have to contact
25 all the utility companies and find out what

1 it's going to cost.

2 MR. FERRETT: Should it exceed
3 whatever we have and everything, whatever
4 has to be done for Fred Street, you got to
5 do it for those people no matter what the
6 process and everything like this is. I was
7 just wondering if maybe we could take this
8 under the paving program. That's why I
9 asked the solicitor.

10 MR. LOPATKA: The only thing with
11 the paving program I think you have to watch
12 is where you're spending it because they're
13 PennDOT roads. We talked about that with
14 the road going to Pagnotti Park. If that's
15 not a borough road --

16 MR. SEMENZA: I believe Fred Street
17 is.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: That portion
19 wouldn't be because --

20 MR. LOPATKA: It would still have to
21 be dedicated.

22 MR. FERRETT: It is part of PennDOT
23 roads.

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: The part where the
25 homes are is because that part is already

1 ordained, but the part that doesn't exist
2 isn't. So it all goes by the tenth of a
3 mile or whatever, so once that road is fixed
4 and ordained, then we can add it on to our
5 liquid fuels. As of right now that portion
6 wouldn't be.

7 MR. FERRETT: I understand that, but
8 what I'm saying is we're not allowed to put
9 that into our paving program?

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: That's gray area
11 because since we're approved using liquid
12 fuels for the project that we gave them, I
13 think any other road that's already ordained
14 a liquid fuels road would be fine, but this
15 doesn't actually exist yet.

16 MR. FERRETT: I just brought that up
17 because I thought it was an idea we can use.

18 MR. LOPATKA: I agree, but I just
19 think we have to be careful where you spend
20 that --

21 ATTY. RINALDI: There's a
22 right-of-way there and then there's a
23 pavement portion, a cartway. Or would that
24 go in the right-of-way? I'm thinking the
25 electric would probably go under the

1 right-of-way.

2 MR. LOPATKA: The sewer you're going
3 to want to run under the roadway. Water
4 typically wants to be under the roadway. If
5 there's gas down there, they usually want to
6 be outside the road surface. Electric can
7 actually be outside.

8 ATTY. RINALDI: I'm just trying to
9 think how much work there is to do.

10 MR. LOPATKA: One of their plans,
11 option three, had roadside ditches that were
12 actually on the top of the slope.

13 MR. PAPI: Are curbs in option one?

14 MR. LOPATKA: Yes. You can put,
15 like, a rolled bituminous curb in there.

16 MR. FEBBO: You put a catch basin in
17 front of that property how does that water
18 get up the hill?

19 MR. LOPATKA: What's shown there is
20 actually a dry well, what they had proposed
21 there. So the water will actually get
22 caught in the inlets, go into the dry well
23 and seep into the ground. It's not a big
24 drainage area. It's only a small section of
25 the roadway.

1 To do the work I don't think would
2 take all that long, put the fill in and do
3 it, but you need to coordinate with the
4 utility companies. Sometimes they may be
5 the holdup.

6 MR. FERRETT: Where are we with the
7 paving of the park up on -- the parking area
8 up by the park up there?

9 MR. LOPATKA: Myself and Bill, we're
10 trying to plot deeds that he had sent me,
11 but the deeds are older deeds and they don't
12 actually have bearings and distances on all
13 the lines so you can't really plot them.

14 MR. FERRETT: Did we come up with
15 some kind of a price or anything?

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Well, I did speak
17 with Pagnotti and they're trying to find the
18 deed, too. I assume we own it somewhere. I
19 couldn't find it in the courthouse. I sent
20 him a pile of deeds.

21 In any event, he said -- because I
22 told him the concern was the roadway. He
23 said don't worry about it. We're trying to
24 work something out where we're going to pave
25 that road.

1 MR. FERRETT: Maybe it's possible
2 that council feels they want to do the
3 parking, too.

4 ATTY. RINALDI: Parking area is a
5 lease, so you're not going to be able to
6 pave that. They're re-negotiating their
7 easement with PPL and they want PPL to come
8 in that way and they want it paved. So
9 that's in the works.

10 MR. SEMENZA: What kind of time
11 frame are they looking with that, Bill?

12 ATTY. RINALDI: He couldn't give it
13 to me, but he told me that it looks pretty
14 good that it's going to happen.

15 MR. SEMENZA: The road right now is
16 pretty close to undrivable for a smaller car
17 and we're just getting into the baseball,
18 softball and high school season. If it's
19 not going to be for a while I would like to
20 maybe put millings down there.

21 ATTY. RINALDI: I don't see a
22 problem putting millings down.

23 MR. SEMENZA: But I don't want to
24 waste the millings there if they're going to
25 pave it in a month from now.

1 ATTY. RINALDI: It's between them
2 and PPL.

3 MR. FEBBO: Put the millings down.

4 ATTY. RINALDI: I'll follow up with
5 him. He's trying to locate the deed to see
6 if they have an easement there.

7 MR. LOPATKA: Information that we
8 had we tried to plot them. The way the
9 deeds are written you can't even plot them.

10 ATTY. RINALDI: I'm assuming that
11 somewhere Pagnotti deeded you the baseball
12 field in the '60s. Not the parking lot.
13 The parking lot we have a lease for.

14 MR. SEMENZA: I thought the ball
15 field was leased.

16 ATTY. RINALDI: Since I've been here
17 we've leased the parking lot. The field I
18 always thought we got from Pagnotti. That's
19 why we named it that way. You're going
20 back.

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: We couldn't find
22 anything in the borough records.

23 MR. LOPATKA: There's gaps in all of
24 them, so you can't plot them by bearing and
25 distance.

1 MR. FERRETT: Where do we stand with
2 the PennDOT grant?

3 MR. LOPATKA: That would be Bill.

4 ATTY. RINALDI: We got that.

5 MR. FERRETT: No, the PennDOT grant.
6 The 20 percent that we have --

7 MR. LOPATKA: Dunn Avenue. We met
8 with PennDOT about two or three weeks ago.

9 MR. FERRETT: Do we have that
10 figured out, what it's going to cost us and
11 all the -- the reason I'm saying that is
12 basically because of the fact that at the
13 last work session CDB was here, and very
14 possible that we might be able to sneak that
15 road in because of the fact the handicap
16 ramps, they come under the CDB plan.

17 MR. LOPATKA: They do. You can do
18 them under that.

19 MR. FERRETT: This is what I'm
20 trying to find out.

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: We were using the
22 grant to do the handicap ramps.

23 MR. LOPATKA: Part of the PennDOT
24 project was to do the ramps and to pave the
25 road.

1 MR. FERRETT: You're using the
2 handicap ramps for Dunn Avenue. If we use
3 the whole road it's very possible that they
4 may let you use the road along with that.
5 You're only going to pay 20 percent of
6 whatever the total cost is. So
7 consequently, if you can't the worst
8 scenario is that you can only use the
9 handicap ramps, we're right there.

10 MR. LOPATKA: The grant is -- it's
11 not -- it's 20 percent of, I think,
12 \$160,000. That's 80 percent, then you guys
13 are responsible for the other 20 or anything
14 above that or beyond that, if it was more
15 than that. That's the way the grant reads,
16 I believe.

17 MR. FERRETT: Being that you're
18 putting that percentage I'm saying this,
19 that you may be able to go to work and put
20 Dunn Avenue right in there along with the
21 handicap ramps.

22 MR. LOPATKA: The project includes
23 the handicap ramps on Dunn Avenue. That's
24 part of the PennDOT project.

25 MS. BARTOLETTI: That's part of the

1 agreement. You have to do those ramps in
2 order to --

3 MR. FERRETT: I understand that, but
4 who's going to pay for the road? Suppose
5 the road comes in \$210,000 and the handicap
6 ramps are \$80,000?

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: The CDBG will only
8 pay for the handicap portion, and the
9 PennDOT part, the main part there, is the
10 handicap portion.

11 MR. LOPATKA: The overall project
12 was to put in handicap ramps and then
13 overlay the road, is what PennDOT's project
14 is. It included the ramps. What they're
15 going to end up costing, we don't have an
16 exact number yet. The plans are actually
17 ready and we're going to submit them to
18 PennDOT probably next week so that they can
19 get their first crack at reviewing them.
20 They have to be designed in accordance with
21 all of PennDOT's regulations.

22 MR. SEMENZA: Anything else?
23 Thanks, Dave. Chief, police report?

24 CHIEF DUBERNAS: I just have a few
25 things. First thing is the topic that we

1 spoke about at the work session with the
2 speed timing device and the ENRADD and the
3 message boards. The ENRADD system is still
4 on the table. The message signs and the
5 speed timing device, I have about eight or
6 nine different sets that people sent me
7 quotes on. So they go from a value of about
8 \$2,500 all the way up to about \$15,000. I
9 had them mixed up on a light tower that I
10 was looking for for \$8,000. So we'll put
11 the signs on hold. We're still going to go
12 back and forth.

13 I know there's three or four that
14 fit on the square tubing or put a regular
15 pole that tracks all the data daytime and
16 nighttime. If there's somebody it will
17 indicate either by saying slow down or just
18 flash a light. It depends on how much money
19 you want to spend and how much data you want
20 to collect.

21 Second, the two traffic studies.
22 East Morton Street and Sue Court, I got the
23 new engineering guidelines for stop signs.
24 You can hear by multiple people coming here
25 they want to control speed. You can't use

1 stop signs in the state of Pennsylvania to
2 control speed when there's already another
3 traffic control device there, which on East
4 Morton Street, the 100 block, there is.
5 It's on Ann Street. Mr. Crossin wants to
6 put a stop sign at the intersection of East
7 Morton and Sue Court to try to slow cars
8 down, which under the guidelines you can't.

9 Under the second part of the
10 guidelines for cash data, we never had a
11 crash in the last eight years at Sue Court
12 and East Morton Street. So that one's
13 nixed. There's not going to be no stop sign
14 put there.

15 The second stop sign study, Amity
16 Avenue and Kohler, same thing. Trying to
17 use it to control speed. It's a T
18 intersection. There's already a traffic
19 control device. There's a stop sign on
20 Kohler Avenue. The first part of the study
21 for speed, second one is traffic control
22 device. There's one, so there's not going
23 to be a stop sign there.

24 Moving along, couple good things for
25 us. We got notice again we will receive a

1 grant, not sure on how much money, for
2 Memorial Day for Click it or Ticket and
3 Aggressive Driving for the Memorial Day
4 holiday. It's usually the week prior and
5 the week after Memorial Day. Still waiting
6 to hear back from Buckle Up for how much
7 money.

8 Another grant we did receive. Not
9 sure on the total number yet, but we're put
10 on the list for a bullet-proof vest grant.
11 Last year we were granted money to purchase
12 four of them. Hopefully this year we get
13 the money again. We didn't use last year's
14 money, so we still have that money to
15 purchase vests.

16 Also, on the 29th of March we had
17 the state here from criminal justice and
18 delinquents for a juvenile audit and we
19 learned a couple things, but overall we
20 passed the audit with our juvenile system.
21 That's all I have.

22 MR. SEMENZA: First off, I'd like to
23 apologize for cancelling our personnel
24 meeting at the last minute.

25 Secondly, you're talking about the

1 Morton Street stop sign, saying about
2 speeding. How do we stop it? And I'm not
3 only saying on Morton Street because it's a
4 problem on everybody's street. Everybody
5 says come on my street. It goes on on my
6 street.

7 CHIEF DUBERNAS: The system you guys
8 have the quotes from, that ENRADD system,
9 that can be put anywhere. It's just like a
10 radar that the state police use but we don't
11 use a gun. It's two poles and it shoots a
12 beam across the road. It could be any
13 distance apart, as long as the roadway is
14 properly posted.

15 MR. SEMENZA: But that thing's not
16 giving out tickets. I'm not saying I want
17 people to get tickets, I just want people to
18 slow down. You've seen it on my street.
19 It's a highway. Everybody can say on
20 everybody's street it's a highway. How do
21 we stop the speeders?

22 CHIEF DUBERNAS: That's one way. I
23 know around by the school the other day I
24 sat for the first time in probably three or
25 four days and you could still see they're a

1 little bit leery. They're not sure where we
2 are. I usually sit off one of the side
3 streets in the morning. They're back and
4 forth.

5 MR. SEMENZA: So you're seeing them
6 slowing down a little bit?

7 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Just by our
8 presence in the last two and a half, three
9 weeks.

10 MR. SEMENZA: You were saying you
11 got a couple more quotes, and I might have
12 misunderstood what you said. Was that on
13 the same system as --

14 CHIEF DUBERNAS: The signs. One
15 other thing, too.

16 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
17 questions for Chief Dubernas?

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Chief, I
19 noticed today on Edith Street -- we spoke
20 about that car that was broke down. Was
21 that towed away due to it being expired and
22 unregistered or did the owner have that car
23 towed away? I was saying the residents are
24 asking about that light blue station wagon.

25 CHIEF DUBERNAS: That was, I

1 believe, moved by the owner.

2 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: No inspection,
3 it was broke down, hit. You said you were
4 going to have Officer Kimball --

5 CHIEF DUBERNAS: He didn't let me
6 know. Most of them are moved by the owner.

7 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I know I'm
8 interested, if the rest of council is, I was
9 wondering for next meeting if you can do a
10 little research for video cameras for inside
11 the police cars.

12 CHIEF DUBERNAS: I'm already ahead
13 of you. I'm trying to get a grant. They're
14 really expensive.

15 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I heard
16 they're around \$5,000 each car. I don't
17 know how true that is.

18 CHIEF DUBERNAS: That's
19 approximately right, but then you need the
20 server system, which I spoke to Marylynn.
21 I'm not sure if the server we have for our
22 recording system will handle that. But then
23 the other backup system which runs it
24 through a blue tooth system is probably
25 about \$25,000.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Not by next
2 meeting but maybe within a meeting or two.

3 CHIEF DUBERNAS: I have all the
4 information. Two different systems. Watch
5 Guard, which the state police use, and
6 Mobile Vision, which actually Taylor has.
7 You can't tell the difference with them.
8 The only thing nice about the Watch Guard,
9 you can buy a camera that goes panoramic.
10 It catches everything in the blind spot.

11 MR. SEMENZA: I really like that
12 idea.

13 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: If you have
14 all that information -- not tomorrow but the
15 next couple days if you could get it
16 together, put a packet in everyone's
17 mailbox, let Marylynn know. I know I'm
18 really curious about it.

19 MR. SEMENZA: Anything else?

20 MR. BROWN: Sussex Street, abandoned
21 vehicle, four-door gold, older 1990s Chevy,
22 expired registration, tires are flat.

23 CHIEF DUBERNAS: I'll have Kimball
24 look at it tomorrow.

25 MR. SEMENZA: Anything else?

1 Thanks, Chief. Our recreation director is
2 not here tonight. Rick Notari from
3 Lackawanna County.

4 MR. NOTARI: Good evening. Some
5 things I brought to council's attention.
6 April is free electronic recycling month at
7 the county recycling center. Unfortunately,
8 that free electronic recycling ends April
9 30th. I was at a meeting today to see if we
10 can get that extended to try to help the
11 boroughs that have clean-ups at the end of
12 the month and the beginning of May. So I
13 will be in contact with you if we're able to
14 do that. We don't know if we can extend
15 like a week or two, but we're hoping there
16 are dates, possibly, in May that we can give
17 you to bring electronic recycling up.

18 Also, there is information on our
19 bike safety fair, which is May 14th at PNC
20 field from 10 to 12. Free bike helmets will
21 be given out to any child 12 and under that
22 attends the fair. There will also be free
23 fitting there. I believe we have Scranton
24 Police on staff to do that. If your kid
25 brings his or her bike to the stadium they

1 can ride around the concourse inside the
2 stadium.

3 Also, a list of clinics for the
4 summer at the four parks, and the coal mine
5 tour is officially open as of April 1st. It
6 is open until November 30th every day from
7 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at McDade Park. Any
8 questions?

9 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
10 questions for Rick? Rick, the recreation
11 director is not here and you are the
12 chairman of the rec board. Is there
13 anything you want to touch on?

14 MR. NOTARI: I know some things we
15 talked about at the meeting. You should
16 have received the minutes from the meeting.
17 I know I sent them along. We are taking
18 care of the problem down at the lower
19 Pagnotti Field in terms of that fence. You
20 asked that that fence be put back in place
21 this week. If it's not taken care of,
22 please let me know and we'll stay on it.

23 MR. FERRETT: Is there any possible
24 way that you people could consider possibly,
25 for Sibley Park, get a sign made up Tony

1 Pero Complex or something of that nature?

2 MS. BARTOLETTI: I already have that
3 taken care of. I have it in the works with
4 the printer.

5 MR. NOTARI: I believe the little
6 league is working on a sign for Bosak Field
7 as well, which is next to Semenza Field at
8 Pagnotti Park. We had discussed at our
9 meeting to get new signs for the field at
10 the top once we got that process moving.

11 I think Councilman Semenza said
12 we're going to have a little dedication down
13 at Pero Park once that sign is ready.

14 The other thing, I was in a meeting
15 last week with PPL. They're starting that
16 project with the power line, and they said
17 within a couple weeks they should be coming
18 into Old Forge. I don't know if they're
19 going to close off the entire Marion Street
20 park or just the areas they're going to work
21 on.

22 MS. BARTOLETTI: They're just going
23 to block off the area they're working on.
24 They're going to put up fencing.

25 MR. PAPI: It's already up.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: It won't be
2 dangerous.

3 MR. FEBBO: They're working on
4 Mountain Road. Whatever they're doing up at
5 the top, they're going to work off of
6 Mountain Road. I think we have an okay for
7 that.

8 MR. NOTARI: We ask that all
9 residents and all users of the fields and
10 parks follow park rules. There are park
11 rules. We'll probably revisit some of them
12 and add some things to them. But we ask
13 that anyone involved in those organizations
14 that are using borough recreational
15 facilities to please follow the rules of the
16 borough and stick to that so everybody's
17 able to enjoy the parks. We take pride in
18 our parks, I know council does, and we work
19 very hard to get them to the level they're
20 at right now.

21 MS. CORDIANO: The rest rooms not
22 being open for one of the games, I don't
23 know if this happens often or we can get a
24 schedule off someone --

25 MS. BARTOLETTI: It's taken care of.

1 MAYOR MULKERIN: Rick, junior
2 football sign-ups were in the packet for the
3 rec board. Do you know what time?

4 MR. NOTARI: Here, lower level. I
5 want to say noon.

6 MR. SEMENZA: I want to say noon
7 also. Mayor?

8 MAYOR MULKERIN: Prescription drop
9 off at CVS, April 30th, I believe, 10 to 2.

10 Borough litter clean up, April 30th
11 at 9:00. We have a packed house. It would
12 be nice if everyone came. April 30th, we
13 meet behind the borough building at 9:00.
14 You're supplied with gloves and bags, and we
15 have some areas that we go to with safety
16 vests to pick up litter around town on the
17 sides of the roads. The police are there
18 for safety. The DPW guys come around and
19 pick up the bags. So if everyone could come
20 out, that would be great. I was notified
21 the Boy Scouts will have probably about 15
22 people there. It would be nice to get the
23 sports teams involved.

24 MR. SEMENZA: I believe the high
25 school baseball will be there. Anybody have

1 any questions for the mayor? Thanks. Bill?

2 ATTY. RINALDI: Couple items on the
3 agenda. I already told you about the road
4 at Pagnotti Park. On the agenda you have an
5 ordinance authorizing incurring of debt for
6 the borough of Old Forge. That's going to
7 be a maximum \$1 million loan from PennDOT at
8 an interest rate of 1.625 percent with a
9 payback over a ten-year period. The
10 payments will be approximately \$109,000 each
11 year.

12 The second item is a resolution
13 approving the loan agreement with PennDOT
14 once we pass the debt ordinance. Marylynn
15 has that. It's basically approving a loan
16 agreement directing that the proper officers
17 of the borough execute it, which would be
18 the president and the secretary.

19 The next resolution is adopting the
20 Lackawanna County 2015 hazard mitigation
21 plan as the borough's hazard mitigation
22 plan, so we do not have to do our own. That
23 is in your packet.

24 Lastly, there is going to be three
25 separate resolutions either approving or

1 rejecting three different bids for three
2 different properties in the borough that are
3 in the repository, which means they went
4 through tax sale, nobody bought them. They
5 went to a judicial sale, nobody bought them.
6 So they're just lingering.

7 So what the county does when they
8 sit there, anybody can go in and look at
9 that list and put in a bid to buy the
10 property for what's owed in back taxes.
11 This way it's back on the tax role and
12 generating revenue from the school district,
13 county and borough. So there's three bids
14 for three properties.

15 One property is on West Morton
16 Street, Old Forge. The bid is \$2,500.

17 There's another property on Main and
18 Milwaukee. The bid amount is \$2,700.

19 The third property is at 408 West
20 Grace Street, and that bid amount is
21 \$2,973.40. That is what the bid amount
22 would be, what the upset tax sale price was
23 whenever it went to tax sale. It could be,
24 depending on when this went through tax
25 sale, another two, three, four years of

1 taxes owed on the property.

2 The other item is there is a change
3 in the bid specs for the landfill, if
4 council wants to approve that.

5 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
6 questions for Bill?

7 MR. FERRETT: What do we have to do
8 with that garbage contract, the bid?

9 ATTY. RINALDI: If council wants to
10 change it from only the county-approved
11 designated site you can amend the bid spec
12 to allow for refuse to be deposited in the
13 Alliance Landfill, which is also within the
14 county.

15 MR. FERRETT: I'm to understand that
16 Alliance Landfill has the right to put a bid
17 in. Correct?

18 ATTY. RINALDI: Well, they put in a
19 bid last time even though they could only do
20 it at Keystone, but this would give anybody
21 bidding the ability to take it to two
22 different landfills.

23 MR. FERRETT: So this year they --

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: If you change it.
25 They can still pick up.

1 MR. FERRETT: No, I just want to
2 know do they have a right to put a bid in.

3 ATTY. RINALDI: They always had a
4 right to put a bid in.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: They can always put
6 a bid in but they have to take the trash the
7 other dump, not their own. Keystone.

8 MR. FERRETT: Does that make sense?

9 ATTY. RINALDI: That's the way we've
10 always done it the last 15 years.

11 MR. FERRETT: When you look at it
12 from that standpoint of view their bid is
13 going to be much greater than that because
14 of what they have to do afterwards. They
15 have to take it to Keystone.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Just like Mascaro.
17 They have to pick it up and take it to
18 Keystone.

19 ATTY. RINALDI: Anybody who bids
20 this could take it to either.

21 MR. FERRETT: There's no way that
22 this can be changed, though. Right?

23 MS. BARTOLETTI: Yes, it can.

24 MR. FERRETT: We get money from the
25 landfill if they get more garbage, so if our

1 garbage goes to Alliance Landfill we'll get
2 more money, but if it's going to Keystone
3 we're not going to get nothing.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Right.

5 MR. FERRETT: There's no way we can
6 change that?

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: You can change it
8 tonight.

9 MR. FERRETT: I mean that Alliance
10 Landfill will take their own garbage to
11 their own place.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: It's going to come
13 up to a vote tonight.

14 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else have
15 anything for Bill? Thanks, Bill. Marylynn,
16 borough manager's report, please.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: In your information
18 packet there was a letter from CNA. I'm
19 going to tell you to disregard that letter
20 because there's an updated version on its
21 way to the borough. This one right now is
22 outdated.

23 The clean up, I don't have to say
24 anything about it because Bob already did.
25 But over the past few years I've been in

1 charge of running it, but it seems that a
2 lot of mayors and everything are in charge
3 of it. If you want it, you can have it.
4 I'd like to pass that on to you.

5 MAYOR MULKERIN: That's fine.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Since the end of
7 March is the end of the first quarter, and
8 obviously you have your financial reports in
9 front of you, I'd like to know if there's
10 anything specific that you'd like to know
11 about it or explained. As of right now the
12 state of our finances are in very good
13 condition. There's nothing negative that I
14 need to inform you about. If you have any
15 questions.

16 MR. SEMENZA: I'm good.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: I would like to put
18 together a personnel meeting with the
19 personnel committee, if we can meet as soon
20 as possible.

21 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Marylynn, is
22 this the meeting that the chief was
23 requesting?

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: No. Actually, if
25 you even want to stay tonight for five

1 minutes we can do it real fast. Then we
2 don't have to have another meeting.

3 MR. SEMENZA: We can do that.
4 Chief, would you like to set up a personnel
5 meeting with us Friday, in the afternoon?
6 I'll get back to you.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: That's all I have.

8 MR. SEMENZA: Anything for Marylynn?

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Somebody
10 brought up just in conversation about the
11 LED lights for PPL on Main Street. Are they
12 going to be installing them?

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: What it is is
14 changing the bulbs on every light in town.
15 I don't have my document with me but I think
16 I can go off the top of my head. I'm going
17 to say about 80 percent of those lights that
18 are in town right now are eligible for the
19 change, and when you change them all over
20 the savings is very, very small. They were
21 doing it in stages. If we changed 100
22 percent of the lights, even the ones that
23 aren't free right now, there would be a cost
24 to the borough of over \$5,000.

25 So what we're going to do is just

1 wait that out, and as they become eligible
2 we'll have them changed.

3 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Throughout the
4 whole borough?

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: All of our street
6 lighting. The savings is actually very
7 minimal because of the way it was set up and
8 the way the electricity is transmitted. It
9 could change.

10 MR. SEMENZA: Anything else? All
11 right, I'm going to go into the public
12 sign-in sheet. Michael or Kim Zupon?

13 MR. ZUPON: Good evening. I'm here
14 about Lawrence Street, making that a one
15 way. Actually, we looked at having it done
16 and the mayor did a study on it, I believe.

17 MAYOR MULKERIN: The chief did.

18 MR. ZUPON: I looked into it more.
19 It was changed a few years back to a two
20 way, but in your ordinance book there is
21 none. There's no update, nothing. Still
22 considered one way in the ordinance book. I
23 have streets that are listed that were
24 changed as of last year, updated, where they
25 were changed to one way. This was never