

1 OLD FORGE BOROUGH COUNCIL

2 OLD FORGE, PENNSYLVANIA

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5 IN RE: REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

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9 MAY 17, 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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19 ROBERT SEMENZA, PRESIDENT

20 JOSEPH LENCESKI, VICE-PRESIDENT

21 JOSEPH FERRETT

22 RUSSELL RINALDI

23 DEVON BROWN

24 JENNIFER CORDIANO

25 LOUIS FEBBO

WILLIAM RINALDI, ESQUIRE, SOLICITOR

MARYLYNN BARTOLETTI, BOROUGH MANAGER

Mark Wozniak  
Official Court Reporter

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: Welcome to the May 17,  
7 2016 regular meeting of the Old Forge  
8 Borough Council. Tonight we'll go to some  
9 housekeeping items, me from our council  
10 members, public input, if anybody wants to  
11 address council. Roll call, please.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

13 MR. BROWN: Here.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
15 Cordiano?

16 MS. CORDIANO: Here.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

18 MR. FEBBO: Here.

19 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

20 MR. FERRETT: Here.

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

22 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Here.

23 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman  
24 Lenceski?

25 MR. LENCESKI: Here.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

2 MR. SEMENZA: Here. Tonight we're  
3 going to do things a little differently.  
4 We're going to go into new business first.

5 At this time the chair would  
6 entertain a motion. The motion is an  
7 ordinance authorizing and directing  
8 incurring of the debt of the borough of Old  
9 Forge, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania by  
10 issuance of a general obligation note, and  
11 the maximum aggregate principal amount not  
12 to exceed \$1 million at a private sale for  
13 resurfacing, paving and reconstructing of  
14 the streets of the borough, fixing a form  
15 number, date, interest and maturity thereof,  
16 making incumbent for the payment of the debt  
17 services of the note, providing for the  
18 filing of the required documents with the  
19 Department of Community and Economic  
20 Development, providing for the appointment  
21 of a sinking fund depository for the note,  
22 and authorizing execution, sale and delivery  
23 thereof.

24 MR LENCESKI: I'll make that motion.

25 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman

1 Lenceski. Can I have a second?

2 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll second  
3 that.

4 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
5 Rinaldi. On the question? Public input?  
6 Roll call, please.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

8 MR. BROWN: Yes.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
10 Cordiano?

11 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

13 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

15 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

17 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman

19 Lenceski?

20 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

22 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion,  
23 we're going to hire for a DPW employee. The  
24 personnel committee met and reviewed  
25 applications, did interviews and recommends

1 Robert Resio for the DPW job.

2 Does anybody have a motion -- does  
3 anybody have a name for hire?

4 MR. FEBBO: I have a name I want to  
5 bring to the floor. I'd like to nominate  
6 Garrett Gleason, who has been there for 15  
7 months in a part-time capacity, to be picked  
8 up on a full time basis.

9 MR. SEMENZA: Motion on the floor  
10 for Garrett Gleason.

11 MR. FERRETT: I'll second that  
12 motion.

13 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
14 Ferrett. Does anybody else have a name for  
15 nomination for DPW worker?

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Mr. Chairman,  
17 being part of the personnel committee and  
18 going off of our recommendation, you being  
19 our chairman and the chairman of the  
20 personnel committee, I nominate the  
21 recommendation, Robert Resio, for the DPW  
22 position.

23 MR. SEMENZA: I have a motion on the  
24 floor by Councilman Rinaldi for Robert  
25 Resio. Do I have a second for Robert Resio.

1 MR. LENCESKI: I'll second that.

2 MR. SEMENZA: Second by Councilman  
3 Lenceski. At this time we'll go down the  
4 table. How would I do it, Bill, by name?

5 MR. FERRETT: No, you have to go on  
6 the first motion.

7 ATTY. RINALDI: Go on the first  
8 person nominated and do it that way.

9 MR. SEMENZA: We'll go down the  
10 table. This vote will be for Garrett  
11 Gleason for full time DPW worker. Roll  
12 call, please.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

14 MR. BROWN: No.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
16 Cordiano?

17 MS. CORDIANO: No.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

19 MR. FEBBO: We're voting for who?

20 M S. BARTOLETTI: Garrett Gleason.

21 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

22 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

23 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

25 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: No.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman  
2 Lenceski?

3 MR. LENCESKI: No.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

5 MR. SEMENZA: No.

6 MS. CORDIANO: I apologize, for the  
7 record, and I don't know if I can go back.  
8 I thought we were going with the first  
9 person nominated and I misunderstood. I  
10 thought it was Bob Resio's name. Can I  
11 change my vote at this point? I made a  
12 mistake. I thought we were going with the  
13 first person that was nominated. My  
14 apology.

15 MR. SEMENZA: Well, the vote didn't  
16 pass and it wouldn't have either way. The  
17 record shows it. Does she have to go back  
18 and change it?

19 ATTY. RINALDI: We didn't vote on  
20 the second person, so she can change it.

21 MR. SEMENZA: At this time the chair  
22 would call for roll call for Robert Resio as  
23 a full time DPW worker.

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

25 MR. BROWN: Yes.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
2 Cordiano?

3 MS. CORDIANO: No.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

5 MR. FEBBO: No.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

7 MR. FERRETT: No.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman  
11 Lenceski?

12 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

14 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. At this time  
15 we're going to award the garbage bid for the  
16 borough of Old Forge. Bill, do you have the  
17 numbers readily available or should I  
18 just --

19 ATTY. RINALDI: I have it here  
20 somewhere. I'll go in alphabetical order,  
21 not high and low.

22 County Waste, their total bid for  
23 three years was \$1,428,000. With the  
24 two-year extension their total bid would be  
25 \$2,451,900.



1 J.P. Mascaro, total bid for three  
2 years was \$990,456. With two extensions, if  
3 we elect, the maximum would \$1,684,452.

4 Waste Management for three years was  
5 \$1,233,270. For a three year plus two-year  
6 extension the total would be \$2,118,318.

7 The low bidder is J.P. Mascaro, with  
8 Waste Management second and County third.

9 For option two, for a five-year  
10 contract, County Waste for five years was  
11 \$2,451,900. With the two-year extensions  
12 applied to that the maximum would be  
13 \$3,535,200.

14 J.P. Mascaro for a total five-year  
15 contract was \$1,684,452. If we extended it  
16 two more years the maximum would be  
17 \$2,417,160.

18 Waste Management for a five-year  
19 contract was \$2,118,348. With a two-year  
20 extension included the maximum would be  
21 \$3,064,215.

22 The low bidder was Mascaro. The  
23 next bidder in line would be Waste  
24 Management, and the high bidder was County  
25 Waste.

1                   You have two decisions to make.  
2                   One, you're going to go with option one for  
3                   a three-year contract or an option two for a  
4                   five-year contract. Either one can be  
5                   extended for an additional one year and one  
6                   year at the end of the three-year term or  
7                   five-year term.

8                   MR. SEMENZA: At this time the chair  
9                   would entertain a motion to award the  
10                  garbage contract.

11                  MR. LENCESKI: I'd to make the  
12                  motion to award it to Mascaro with a  
13                  five-year term.

14                  MR. SEMENZA: Motion by Councilman  
15                  Lenceski to award the garbage bid for the  
16                  Old Forge Borough for a five-year term.

17                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll second  
18                  that.

19                  MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
20                  Rinaldi. On the question? Public input?  
21                  Roll call, please.

22                  MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

23                  MR. BROWN: Yes.

24                  MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
25                  Cordiano?

1 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

2 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

3 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

5 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

7 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman  
9 Lenceski?

10 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

12 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. That's it for  
13 new business. We'll now go through some  
14 housekeeping items.

15 At this time the chair would  
16 entertain a motion to approve the minutes of  
17 the prior meeting.

18 MR. LENCESKI: Mr. Chairman, I'll  
19 have to excuse myself. I have to go coach a  
20 softball game for my daughter.

21 MR. SEMENZA: At this time the chair  
22 would entertain a motion to approve the  
23 minutes of the prior meeting.

24 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that  
25 motion.

1 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Rinaldi.

2 MS. CORDIANO: I'll second that.

3 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by  
4 Councilwoman Cordiano. On the question?  
5 Public input? Roll call, please.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

7 MR. BROWN: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
9 Cordiano?

10 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

12 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

14 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

18 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion  
19 is a motion to approve the treasurer's  
20 reports. Note, this does not include sewer  
21 accounts.

22 MS. CORDIANO: I'll make that  
23 motion.

24 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilwoman  
25 Cordiano. Can I have a second?

1 MR. FEBBO: I'll second that motion.

2 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman

3 Febbo. On the question? Public input?

4 Roll call, please.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

6 MR. BROWN: Yes.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman

8 Cordiano?

9 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

11 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

13 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

15 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

17 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion

18 is a motion to approve invoices for payment.

19 Note, this does not include sewer accounts.

20 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that  
21 motion.

22 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Rinaldi.

23 Can I have a second?

24 MS. CORDIANO: I'll second that.

25 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by

1 Councilwoman Cordiano. On the question?

2 Public input? Roll call, please.

3 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

4 MR. BROWN: Yes.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
6 Cordiano?

7 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

9 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

11 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

13 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

15 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. Next motion is a  
16 motion to approve sewer department financial  
17 reports.

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that  
19 motion.

20 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Rinaldi.  
21 Can I have a second?

22 MR. BROWN: I'll second that motion.

23 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
24 Brown. On the question? Public input?  
25 Roll call, please.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

2 MR. BROWN: Yes.

3 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman

4 Cordiano?

5 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

7 MR. FERRETT: No.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

9 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

11 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

13 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion

14 is a motion to approve sewer department

15 invoices for payment.

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that

17 motion.

18 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Rinaldi.

19 Can I have a second?

20 MS. CORDIANO: I'll second that.

21 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by

22 Councilwoman Cordiano. On the question?

23 Public input? Roll call, please.

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Brown?

25 MR. BROWN: Yes.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilwoman  
2 Cordiano?

3 MS. CORDIANO: Yes.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

5 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

7 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

11 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. Now we'll go to  
12 our department heads. Paul Papi?

13 (Mr. Papi read his report, which is  
14 attached.)

15 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any  
16 questions for Paul?

17 MAYOR MULKERIN: Paul, Hoover and  
18 Moosic Road, they dug up there a couple  
19 months ago and came back and fixed it. It  
20 seems to be sinking. I don't know if  
21 anybody else noticed.

22 MR. PAPI: I believe it was the gas  
23 company.

24 MAYOR MULKERIN: Right after they  
25 did the work they came back and fixed it.



1 Take a look. That's all.

2 MR. PAPI: I notified PennDOT. I  
3 called three different agencies yesterday  
4 about those pave cuts on Keyser Avenue  
5 between Bennett Street and Pittston Avenue.  
6 They're a mess. Unfortunately, that's  
7 PennDOT's road. Their issue. The only  
8 thing I can do is complain. I urge the  
9 residents that call me to call PennDOT and  
10 they did.

11 MR. SEMENZA: Steve Bieryla, zoning  
12 report?

13 (Mr. Bieryla read his report, which  
14 is attached.)

15 MR. SEMENZA: Any questions for  
16 Steve?

17 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Steve, first  
18 question, 343-345 Sussex Street.

19 MR. BIERYLA: Right after the curb  
20 when you come back around by the school.

21 MR. RUSSEL RINALDI: No, it's not  
22 the house, the garage right behind Burger  
23 King.

24 MR. BIERYLA: No, you're way down  
25 the other end.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: The one behind  
2 Burger King, the trees are at least seven  
3 feet out, six feet out into the road. Could  
4 we send them some notice or stop over there?

5 MR. BIERYLA: Sure.

6 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: 213 Charles  
7 Street, I think the house is abandoned.  
8 Three, four couches behind it, six, seven  
9 bags of garbage, three TVs. It's across  
10 from where the lady just remodeled her  
11 house. New stone. Next to the guy who just  
12 put in a driveway, brand new driveway. It's  
13 213, I'm pretty sure. If we can check that  
14 out as well.

15 MR. BIERYLA: Yes. Just for  
16 council. Mr. Ferret, you asked me to look  
17 up anything for Spano. What I did do is I  
18 went back into the records and dug deep and  
19 I found the special meeting that was held on  
20 May 9th and then the May 25th. That was in  
21 2005. Then the council meeting on May 24th  
22 they voted for the multi-family housing for  
23 the conditional use. So I have papers here  
24 for council so you can see exactly what  
25 happened back in 2005.

1 MAYOR MULKERIN: Steve, the issue we  
2 had with those holding bins around town, it  
3 seems to be --

4 MR. BIERLYA: It's expiring. I  
5 talked with Mike Schuback yesterday. Those  
6 bins that are down by his part, what had  
7 happened was the son and father got into a  
8 big argument, so Mike is in the process of  
9 straightening him out with his bins, and  
10 then the other green bins, I made a call to  
11 him to let him know that it's really turning  
12 into a dumping ground, that they needed to  
13 police them and make sure that it didn't  
14 happen or, I told him, I'll do the same  
15 thing I did with the white bins down by  
16 Schuback's. It's a fine.

17 MAYOR MULKERIN: What I was going to  
18 say was it's not just -- it's rearing its  
19 head there where people are dumping  
20 furniture instead of clothes. It's also at  
21 the school now.

22 MR. BIERLYA: It's at the school the  
23 first time.

24 MAYOR MULKERIN: Whatever we did  
25 last time --

1 MR. BIERYLA: We hit their  
2 pocketbook. There's no questions asked.  
3 Pay or pay again.

4 MR. SEMENZA: Steve, the letter in  
5 your report here from George Parker to  
6 yourself, help me out with this.

7 MR. BIERYLA: He asked for a 90-day  
8 extension.

9 MR. SEMENZA: Can I ask why?

10 MR. BIERYLA: Well, he wasn't ready.  
11 He hadn't met with Dave to go over  
12 everything yet, so he asked for a 90-day  
13 extension. What planning did was 90 days  
14 fell one day short of the planning meeting  
15 in August.

16 MR. SEMENZA: Isn't this issue  
17 stemming back from an awful long time? I  
18 mean, I don't know if the rest of council  
19 agrees with me, but I don't know why we keep  
20 giving extensions.

21 MR. BIERYLA: They can get an  
22 extension up to one year. Preliminary plan  
23 you can get an extension up to one year. He  
24 asked for 90 days and planning gave him 91  
25 days to suit the August meeting.

1 MR. SEMENZA: Okay. I have nothing  
2 else. Anybody else? Thanks, Steve.  
3 Engineer's report?

4 MR. LOPATKA: Good evening.  
5 Engineer's report for May. Old Forge paving  
6 program, forwarded the agreement and  
7 contract to Pennsy. Just waiting the  
8 execution of the contract from them to  
9 return it to the borough. The borough has  
10 received at this point the bond and the  
11 insurances from Pennsy.

12 Fred Street extension, this is  
13 basically what I discussed at the last  
14 meeting. There's really know change. I  
15 guess we need to make a determination as to  
16 how to proceed. There were three options  
17 out there done by the previous engineer.  
18 Our recommendation would be option one. I  
19 don't know if you guys need something from  
20 me with regard to maybe a cost estimate,  
21 overall cost, maybe.

22 MR. SEMENZA: Could you do a cost  
23 estimate on that on actually all three  
24 options for us?

25 MR. LOPATKA: Sure. Wood Street

1 drainage. Awaiting response from council on  
2 how to proceed. Someone from council was to  
3 contact Pride Mobility to discuss if Pride  
4 would still assist in correcting the  
5 drainage issue, as the majority of the water  
6 creating the issue is the drainage from the  
7 adjacent parking facility which Pride owns.  
8 Due to the relatively flat grade in this  
9 area Ruether-Bowen recommends a survey be  
10 performed along this section of Wood Street  
11 to determine exactly how storm water flows  
12 and is trapped in the depressed area along  
13 the roadway. Also survey existing ditch on  
14 the westerly side of Wood Street along the  
15 cross pipe. The ditch can be re-established  
16 and properly drain water flowing from the  
17 existing commercial facility.

18 Briefly before the meeting I did  
19 talk with Paul. Paul said they met with the  
20 Pride people and they're willing to put in  
21 curbing, I guess, to get the water down to  
22 the road, and they don't have any problem  
23 with us re-establishing the swale there. I  
24 think that would eliminate a lot of sediment  
25 because currently the water runs along

1           either side of the driveway and picks up the  
2           dirt and everything else along the way,  
3           which I believe has created a portion of the  
4           problem by filling in that swale with  
5           sediment and different debris. From what he  
6           said, they don't have an issue with us. We  
7           have to cut a couple trees down to  
8           re-establish that swale, where it was. But  
9           they will be doing some work on their  
10          property and at least get the water down  
11          there so we'll have clean water instead of  
12          sediment.

13                   MR. SEMENZA: Paul, did they give  
14                   you time, how long, until they're going to  
15                   start?

16                   MR. PAPI: He said they needed to  
17                   contact corporate. He was going to start  
18                   immediately getting bids. Matty Brown was  
19                   with us, he said I'll give you one. Matty  
20                   will have it to him in a couple days.

21                   MR. SEMENZA: Is he going to keep in  
22                   contact with you?

23                   MR. PAPI: I'll keep in contact with  
24                   him.

25                   MR. SEMENZA: We won't touch the

1 swale until the curbs are done.

2 MR. PAPI: I think we can put the  
3 swale in at any time now. He's going to be  
4 working on that curb. It takes a year for  
5 us to bring up that much sediment. A couple  
6 weeks isn't really going to make a  
7 difference.

8 MR. SEMENZA: Is that something that  
9 we're going to have to put out to bid, Mare?  
10 I don't know what kind of cost. Is it a big  
11 job?

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: A huge job? A  
13 small job?

14 MR. PAPI: Matt Brown is going to  
15 give us an estimate.

16 MR. LOPATKA: I don't think it's a  
17 big deal.

18 MR. PAPI: It's not an expensive  
19 job.

20 MR. FEBBO: What about surveying the  
21 road itself?

22 MR. LOPATKA: We should do that to  
23 make sure we have the right pitch on the  
24 road. If you guys can give us the okay  
25 we'll get it surveyed. At least we'll put a



1 plan together that shows what it should be.  
2 How it should be corrected.

3 MR. SEMENZA: It seems likes we're  
4 at the root of the problem here with the  
5 sediment. We'll get an idea there.

6 MR. LOPATKA: Rosemount development,  
7 at the request of the council at the last  
8 meeting I contacted the owner and informed  
9 him of a storm water issue on Stone Hill  
10 Drive in which during rain events water  
11 flows along the curb. When it gets to 9  
12 Stone Hill Drive it goes down the driveway  
13 and hits the wall of the adjacent property  
14 on Oakwood Drive. Due to the road still  
15 being owned by the developer, I requested  
16 the developer have his engineer review the  
17 issue.

18 I also requested the developer to  
19 place a new stop sign at the corner of  
20 Edgewood Drive and Oakwood Drive where there  
21 was a sign previously. It's no longer  
22 there. I told him. I don't know if it's  
23 going to be done or not.

24 The Old Forge Police Station,  
25 existing conditions will be measured and a

1 plan prepared. A schematic layout will be  
2 laid out for review and approval by the  
3 borough prior to commencing permit. That  
4 will get done within the next week or two,  
5 get it measured and put together a schematic  
6 design based off of our conversation we had  
7 out there previously.

8 I did add Main Street sewer. We  
9 talked briefly about that last month. I  
10 have a call in to Mike. I'm waiting for a  
11 response back. I'll reach out to him again.

12 Also, Paul had called me. We may  
13 have talked about this last month with  
14 regards to the MS4 permit from DEP. I kind  
15 of recommended I'd contact the previous  
16 engineer to get a copy of it, which I did.  
17 I haven't received a copy but they're going  
18 to get me last year's report just so I can  
19 see what they put in it. Some of the  
20 information we need to add to. Hopefully  
21 I'll have that by next meeting, I can give  
22 you an update on where that is. Any  
23 questions?

24 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody know, Paul or  
25 Jason, if the stop sign was replaced on

1 Edgewood Drive?

2 CHIEF DUBERNAS: I was there  
3 yesterday. It's still gone.

4 MR. SEMENZA: Any questions?  
5 Thanks, Dave. Chief, police report?

6 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Good evening. I  
7 don't have much. Just a couple things. The  
8 LSA application grant, I did get word that  
9 it's supposed to go through in June. The  
10 figure, we weren't advised on how much money  
11 we were getting but our name's on the list  
12 and our grant application is in the process.  
13 That was the one that was for METs for our  
14 vehicles and the new tazers for \$45,000 we  
15 asked for.

16 Second, Operation Buckle Up is full  
17 swing until June 5. We were granted \$1,800,  
18 so did get a lot of officers out yesterday,  
19 couple more out this afternoon, and I have  
20 another one out now.

21 All of our officers just completed  
22 training through the sobriety check point.  
23 Sometime this summer we're going to have a  
24 checkpoint here in Old Forge. We're not  
25 sure if we're going to do a joint with

1 Taylor or we're just going to have it in Old  
2 Forge and have Taylor work with us.  
3 Hopefully tentative for June. I don't have  
4 anything else.

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

7 MAYOR MULKERIN: Chief, the LSA  
8 grant you talked about, would you explain  
9 what those units are that we put in for.

10 CHIEF DUBERNAS: MDT is the mobile  
11 data centers for our car. By 2017 the whole  
12 commonwealth is going to be e-file citation,  
13 so we're going to be able to do all  
14 electronic citations in the cars. We'll be  
15 able to do -- with the new system we just  
16 got last year we'll be able to do all our  
17 reports in our car. We can print from our  
18 car or we can print here at the station.  
19 All the MDT will have actually barcode  
20 readers, so either on your registration or  
21 on your driver's license, and everything  
22 will pop right up on the computer, or if we  
23 swipe your driver's license all your  
24 information will come up even, like, if you  
25 have a driver's license that has the wrong

1 address on it, but you just paid \$15 to  
2 update the card and never got it, all the  
3 new information will come up on that.

4 The second part is the tazers. The  
5 same tazers we have now, X26, but they're  
6 called smart ECWs, which are X26Ps. Nobody  
7 will have to be trained. We have four  
8 instructors in the department. We'll have  
9 to do a refresher course. Same operating  
10 system. The only difference is the way the  
11 battery shows. Instead of having a number  
12 it actually has a little battery icon.  
13 Everything else operates the same.

14 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else have  
15 anything for the chief? Thanks, Chief.  
16 Rick Notari, Lackawanna County.

17 MR. NOTARI: Good evening, everyone.  
18 Some of the information I brought before  
19 council from the county includes lifeguards.  
20 Our four parks are looking for lifeguards,  
21 18 and older. The pool at McDade and the  
22 three lakes at Covington, Aylesworth and  
23 Merli-Sarnoski is in desperate need of  
24 lifeguards in order for us to open. They  
25 are 40-hour a week jobs. The county will

1 put together a class for them to attend to  
2 get certified. They do need to be  
3 certified.

4 Also, the county job fair is  
5 scheduled for June 16th at PNC Field,  
6 between 1:00 and 5:00. Typically, we have  
7 over 60 companies there with the jobs. Up  
8 to a thousand different jobs we've had in  
9 the past. We're expecting the same.

10 Old Forge Night at PNC Field is  
11 Tuesday, May 24th. RailRiders take on the  
12 Louisville Bats, 6:35, \$10 if you use the  
13 Old Forge promo code. Also, if you call up  
14 there they'll give you that discount. It's  
15 a \$3 discount on a reserved ticket.

16 Some individual clinic information,  
17 soccer, gymnastics and tennis.

18 Also, the yearly farmer's market  
19 voucher program takes place starting in  
20 June. The local area for seniors is the  
21 Taylor Community Center on June 27th.

22 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any  
23 questions for Rick?

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: How do they choose  
25 where the vouchers are distributed?

1 MR. NOTARI: I don't know. I'll ask  
2 and see if they would be willing to set up  
3 here.

4 MR. SEMENZA: Thanks, Rick.  
5 Lucille, sewer report, please.

6 MS. YEAGER: I don't have anything.

7 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any  
8 questions for Lucille? Thanks, Lucille.  
9 Bill, solicitor's report?

10 ATTY. RINALDI: I also sent an  
11 e-mail to Rosemount Estate, the attorney,  
12 with regard to the stop sign and the bond.  
13 He obviously got the e-mail because I got a  
14 flurry of activity on the bond. I believe  
15 the only thing left, PPL is going to pay him  
16 some money for damages, also pay him for use  
17 of Mountain Road, and they want to meet with  
18 our engineer and his engineer to establish  
19 the value on the bond because they were  
20 demanding a million-dollar bond, which  
21 nobody's sure if that's the right amount of  
22 the bond. I cc'd Dave. He's going to meet  
23 with PPL's engineer and come up with a  
24 correct number for the bond.

25 We did find the deed for Pagnotti

1 Park. We own the park. We only lease the  
2 parking area from Pagnotti. It's two  
3 parcels up there. We have to figure out  
4 where it is.

5 MR. SEMENZA: So the parking lot is  
6 leased, the road is owned by Pagnotti?

7 ATTY. RINALDI: The road is owned by  
8 Pagnotti. I did put another call in to them  
9 to see if they can give us a time frame on  
10 negotiations with PPL on the pavement of  
11 that road. Other than that, I have nothing  
12 else.

13 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any  
14 questions for Bill?

15 MR. FERRETT: Bill, you negotiated  
16 our contract with DPW. Correct?

17 ATTY. RINALDI: Right. They're up  
18 this year.

19 MR. FERRETT: What about this idea  
20 of part-time help and summer help? How many  
21 times can we go to work and hire the same  
22 person back and forth? And does it have to  
23 be approved by the union?

24 ATTY. RINALDI: We're allowed to  
25 hire an employee for 90 days, so at the end



1 of the 90 days that person loses his job.  
2 We can hire another person or rehire that  
3 person. It's up to borough council.

4 MR. FERRETT: Does any permission  
5 have to be granted from the union?

6 ATTY. RINALDI: No.

7 MR. FERRETT: Marylynn, is there any  
8 reason -- how many times did we hire  
9 Mr. Gleason as part-time?

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Couple. He's been  
11 back a couple times.

12 MR. FERRETT: Is this some kind of  
13 an indication that he's a good worker or a  
14 worker that should be kept or something?

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: He is a good  
16 worker, yes.

17 MR. FERRETT: I'm just wondering at  
18 this point when there's an opening why he's  
19 been overpassed. That's all.

20 MR. SEMENZA: Anything else for  
21 Bill? Thanks, Bill. Marylynn?

22 MS. BARTOLETTI: Everyone has my  
23 financial report. Everyone have a chance to  
24 go through them or have any questions for  
25 me? Okay. I'm going to pass this letter

1 down for those who didn't see to take a look  
2 at it in regard to a letter that was given  
3 to Paul Papi in regard to the condition of  
4 Kohler Avenue. The request was Mrs.  
5 Jenkins, who lives on Kohler Avenue. She's  
6 been in front of the borough several times  
7 about the condition of the road.

8 About a year and a half ago we did  
9 meet with Lackawanna County Housing in  
10 regard to this. At the time their attorney  
11 said they would take care of the road  
12 because they were the owners but now have  
13 changed their mind and said it's the  
14 borough's responsibility and not theirs.  
15 Attorney Rinaldi is looking into it to try  
16 to see where we stand with that, but in the  
17 meantime I want council to see how bad the  
18 road actually is. I have pictures to show  
19 you. The road is in very bad condition.

20 MAYOR MULKERIN: There was a dispute  
21 on who owned the roads.

22 MS. BARTOLETTI: Yes. It's going on  
23 years and years because there's a contract  
24 that was agreed upon in 1966, and ever since  
25 we've been involved --

1 MAYOR MULKERIN: Like maybe a year  
2 and a half ago the county said you get your  
3 paperwork, we'll get our paperwork, and that  
4 meeting they came in and said we're wrong,  
5 the county owns the road.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: We are responsible,  
7 we will fix it, and they never fixed it. So  
8 any calls we've been getting have been  
9 contacting the county to let them know about  
10 it, but now they've come back and said it's  
11 not their ownership, it's now our ownership,  
12 and we are responsible to fix it.

13 In the meantime, you know, we have a  
14 couple people who have been here several  
15 times that live there and really struggle  
16 because of the deplorable conditions.

17 MAYOR MULKERIN: Ultimately this  
18 affects not only Kohler. It's Eisenhower,  
19 too, because if they take ownership of  
20 Kohler, then they have to fix it.

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: The north part of  
22 town. Then in the other development there's  
23 Eisenhower, Apollo. There's four roads  
24 there. But if you go look at Kohler and  
25 then you take a ride through the other,

1           those roads are like brand new compared to  
2           Kohler. It's really bad. Some of the  
3           potholes, my guess is that a couple of them  
4           are probably close to six inches deep. I  
5           just want you to be aware that this whole  
6           thing is going on and it's going to end up  
7           being an issue based on the words written by  
8           Ms. Jenkins in the letter she sent to the  
9           borough.

10                   Now, on another topic, the CDBG  
11           money that we have, we did meet with the  
12           county, and at this time we do have \$320,000  
13           available. We're going to need to get back  
14           to the county in regard to the CDBG money by  
15           June 15th. So we're kind of cutting it  
16           close as to how we want to do something. We  
17           don't have to ask when we're going to do a  
18           project but we need some idea going forward.

19                   Joe and I were discussing it. We're  
20           thinking probably long range capital  
21           improvement committee might be the best to  
22           meet on this one.

23                   For those who don't know, the last  
24           project we did was the Sampson Street  
25           project, and it was completed in 2014. The

1 initial amount that it was going to cost to  
2 do this project was \$650,000. There was an  
3 overage of \$100,000, so it was a lot bigger  
4 than most people realize it was. We had  
5 pooled together our funds from 2006, 2007,  
6 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 in order to do  
7 this project. So it's not like the money's  
8 going to go away. You are allowed to  
9 earmark and save up your funds to do big  
10 projects. But in the meantime there's  
11 couple smaller things that I did want to  
12 bring up.

13 I discussed in the past about the  
14 senior center needing an air conditioning  
15 and heating unit, and that would fall under  
16 the recommendations of CDBG. Also, some  
17 money, a small amount, could be put towards  
18 our summer camp. By doing that, it will  
19 leave a little bit of money that we're not  
20 taking from our general fund. Then there  
21 always is the possibility if Kohler Avenue  
22 is up and we are going to work on the  
23 borough doing it, since it is a lower income  
24 area CDBG would fit perfectly into that. So  
25 it's another thought for that money. I just

1           wanted to give you an update.

2           MR. FERRETT: Marylynn, in reference  
3           to this paper we have in front of us --  
4           Bill, I think you're well informed on  
5           this -- at one time there was an agreement  
6           where the county would allow us to give  
7           stickers out. They took everything away  
8           from us, and that's where the agreement came  
9           completely that we were not responsible for  
10          any of the streets whatsoever.

11          MS. BARTOLETTI: We don't pick up  
12          their garbage, they pick up their own  
13          garbage.

14          MR. FERRETT: Basically this is the  
15          reason. This was the only thing we were  
16          actually getting from them. So in lieu of  
17          that, in the past we always had that  
18          agreement that we would do this. But since  
19          they've taken this away from us, we decided  
20          at that time that we weren't going to go to  
21          work and be responsible for any of the  
22          streets.

23          MS. BARTOLETTI: It's complicated.  
24          They feel because of the agreement that was  
25          made in 1966, to some people who are not

1 familiar with the terms, the PILOT you'll  
2 see on the financial report, the payment in  
3 lieu of taxes, that's the money that's  
4 supposed to be forwarded to the borough to  
5 be able to maintain the street or whatever  
6 we need to maintain for them, and the total  
7 amount that the borough receives every year  
8 is \$1,500. That's supposed to maintain both  
9 of the developments.

10 MR. FERRETT: That's quite a nice  
11 sum of money for the borough to be  
12 responsible to fix five or six streets.  
13 That's what I can't understand. How long do  
14 we have to live with this contract? The  
15 rest of our lives? Isn't there any way  
16 that -- this just doesn't make sense.

17 ATTY. RINALDI: When we went over it  
18 several years ago, what the contract allows  
19 the county to do is go in and purchase a  
20 parcel of land. The contractor was supposed  
21 to develop it, build the units, complete all  
22 the improvements, then deed the streets over  
23 to the borough.

24 When we went over it with the  
25 engineer we found -- I think it's the Kohler

1 Avenue one. They didn't purchase all of the  
2 property, they only purchased the part where  
3 the structures are. They did improve the  
4 roads but they didn't acquire the roads from  
5 the prior owner. So the prior owner still  
6 owns where the roads are and they didn't  
7 deed anything over to the borough. So  
8 that's why they're their roads.

9 MR. SEMENZA: If possible, would  
10 this road qualify to be added to our paving  
11 project?

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: The reason why I  
13 mentioned about CDBG is because it is low  
14 income. It's the perfect fit. That would  
15 allow you to use that money on a different  
16 street and not have to use that money.

17 MR. SEMENZA: Since we had to take  
18 Pagnotti road off.

19 MS. BARTOLETTI: There are a lot of  
20 other roads we can put it on.

21 ATTY. RINALDI: They were supposed  
22 to correct it and get us the deed to the  
23 property. The last conversation was we  
24 decided -- we found out we didn't own the  
25 ones up in Olyphant, so we don't think we



1 own yours. We're trying to get a deed from  
2 PennDOT, see if we own them. We haven't  
3 gotten them yet, so we're taking the  
4 position that they're your roads. That's  
5 where we're at now.

6 MR. SEMENZA: They're saying they're  
7 our roads.

8 ATTY. RINALDI: They're waiting to  
9 if see they can get a deed from PennDOT.

10 MR. SEMENZA: If they're deeded over  
11 to us --

12 ATTY. RINALDI: They're not.

13 MR. SEMENZA: I said if they are  
14 deeded over to us --

15 ATTY. RINALDI: If we get them, we  
16 can pave them.

17 MR. SEMENZA: But that PILOT will go  
18 away. We'll collect liquid fuels off of the  
19 road?

20 ATTY. RINALDI: We get liquid fuels.  
21 They made an argument the sewer bill is our  
22 taxes, the borough agreed to that many years  
23 ago, so we don't get a sewer fee.

24 MR. FERRETT: The question is if we  
25 don't own the roads why are we going to pave

1           these roads for no reason whatsoever when  
2           there are other roads in this town that have  
3           to be paved? People are paying taxes. They  
4           deserve something much quicker than that.  
5           This is the county's responsibility.  
6           They're collecting the money, they're  
7           getting all the rent and everything, that's  
8           their responsibility to fix the roads and  
9           then deed them over to the borough. They  
10          haven't done this.

11                 MR. SEMENZA: Bill, can you try and  
12                 get us an answer by the next meeting?

13                 ATTY. RINALDI: Yes, I can. I'm  
14                 waiting for them to produce a deed, which  
15                 they think they can find. We haven't found  
16                 it in five years. There might be another  
17                 way around it.

18                 MS. BARTOLETTI: Just one more  
19                 thing. For the June meeting we'll be doing  
20                 the sale of the cars. I wanted to put it  
21                 off a little bit because we changed some  
22                 things around, and now we have code  
23                 enforcement using the Durango. It's perfect  
24                 for Steve to use.

25                 MR. SEMENZA: How many cars are we