

OLD FORGE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

Old Forge Borough Building
314 South Main Street
Old Forge, Pennsylvania

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: ROBERT SEMENZA, CHAIRMAN
 JOSEPH FERRETT, COUNCIL MEMBER
 JAMES HOOVER, COUNCIL MEMBER
 RUSSELL RINALDI, COUNCIL MEMBER
 RICK NOTARI, COUNCIL MEMBER
 LOU FEBBO, COUNCIL MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT:

MARYLYNN BARTOLETTI - BOROUGH MANAGER
WILLIAM RINALDI, ESQ.-SOLICITOR

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2 (Pledge of Allegiance.)

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Brief moment of
4 silence for Jason Burns's father, chief of police. He
5 passed away.

6 (Moment of silence.)

7 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Roll call, please,
8 Marylynn.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

10 MR. FEBBO: Present.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

12 MR. FERRETT: Here.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

14 MR. HOOVER: Here.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Lettieri is
16 absent. Councilman Notari.

17 MR. NOTARI: Present.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

19 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Here.

20 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

21 MR. SEMENZA: Here.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: At this time, the
23 Chair is going to -- there's a public sign-in sheet, if
24 anyone wants to address Council. We'll hear from our
25 department heads. Go down the table to see if Council

1 has anything to address. Do some housekeeping items.

2 At this time, the Chair is going to
3 entertain a motion to approve the minutes of the
4 packet.

5 MR. FEBBO: Make that motion.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor
7 by Councilman Febbo.

8 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Second.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
10 Rinaldi on the question. Public input. Roll call,
11 please.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

13 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

15 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

17 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

19 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

20 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

21 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

22 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion
24 is a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Note,
25 this does not include sewer accounts.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Make that motion.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by
3 Councilman Rinaldi. May I have a second?

4 MR. NOTARI: Second.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
6 Notari on the question. Public input. Roll call,
7 please.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

9 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

11 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

13 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

15 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

17 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion
20 is the motion to approve invoices for payment. Note,
21 this does not include sewer accounts.

22 MR. HOOVER: Make that motion.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by
24 Councilman Hoover. Do I have a second?

25 MR. FEBBO: Seconded.

1 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
2 Febbo on the question. Public input. Roll call,
3 please.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

5 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

7 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

9 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

11 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

13 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

15 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion
16 is a motion to approve sewer department financial
17 reports.

18 MR. NOTARI: Make that motion.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by
20 Councilman Notari. Second.

21 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll second.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
23 Rinaldi on the question. Public input. Roll call,
24 please.

25 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

1 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

2 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

3 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

5 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

7 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes. Next motion is a
12 motion to approve sewer department invoices for
13 payment.

14 MR. NOTARI: Chairman, I'll make that
15 motion.

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by
17 Councilman Notari. Second.

18 MR. HOOVER: Second it.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
20 Hoover on the question. Public input. Roll call,
21 please.

22 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

23 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

25 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

2 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

3 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

4 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

6 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes. Are department
9 heads here, Marylynn? Steve Bieryla, code enforcement,
10 do you have anything for the agenda? Everybody has
11 Steve's report. Anybody have any questions?

12 MR. BIERYLA: The only thing I don't
13 know, I didn't talk to Bill about the plans for
14 Birchwood.

15 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Got an e-mail around
16 4:30. They're not ready and want a continuance.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anybody have any
18 questions for Steve? Thanks, Steve.

19 Paul Papi. Everybody has Paul Papi's DPW
20 report. Paul, anything to add?

21 MR. PAPI: No. Everything is good.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anybody have any
23 questions for Paul? Thanks, Paul. No Dave tonight?

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: No. Dave sent me a
25 message was not going to be able to make it.

1 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: If anybody has any
2 questions for Dave, you can see him at the next
3 meeting.

4 Bill. Everybody has Bill's report.
5 Bill, do you have anything?

6 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Birchwood Estates, I
7 got e-mail from Fred Rinaldi, who is here tonight. You
8 want it tabled, correct?

9 MR. FRED RINALDI: Yes. We're coming to
10 the next meeting.

11 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Also spoke to Ray
12 Rinaldi on 307 Keyser. He's waiting for his title
13 search to come back. Somebody may have a quick claim
14 deed for that property on Keyser Avenue that they could
15 do a quiet title to.

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Still didn't hear
17 anything yet on that?

18 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I spoke to him Friday.
19 Kind of went through what I had and what he had. So,
20 want to compare notes.

21 There's a notice for an administrative
22 hearing for Mr. George Ravitz. I would just ask
23 Council to just -- I would recommend that you abide by
24 the County discretion in it, since they're the major
25 claim, they hold the hearing. Anybody have any

1 questions about that?

2 He's having financial difficulty. Wants
3 the opportunity to prove to Lackawanna County Tax Claim
4 Bureau that his bills should be reduced.

5 So, they're giving him a hearing on
6 October 24th. Spoke to their solicitor. It's up to
7 the criteria that he brings for them to make the
8 determination.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Wait. We have to act
10 on this tonight, anything?

11 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I have no problem if
12 the Borough just concurs in the findings of the Tax
13 Claim Bureau, whatever they may be.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Put it to a vote, I'm
15 saying?

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Yep, put that on.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What do you want me to
18 put to vote?

19 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Why don't you make
20 that -- that the Borough will concur with the
21 determination of the Lackawanna County Tax Claim Bureau
22 with regards to George Ravitz administrative hearing.

23 Okay? Pittston Avenue, Angelina Drive,
24 Mr. Stuccio's attorney got back to me. He said that he
25 was speaking with somebody with the Borough with

1 regards to it. But he does not know what the
2 conclusions were.

3 MR. FEBBO: Mr. Rinaldi, who was he
4 speaking to at the Borough?

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: That I don't know.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Wait, wait. I missed
7 that. Say that again, Bill.

8 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Stuccio's lawyer,
9 when I followed up again, he said that he was speaking
10 with somebody at the Borough. And he didn't have an
11 answer yet for his attorney.

12 I asked who. But he said he didn't know.
13 Whoever he's talking to at the Borough.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: In regards to what?

15 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Pittston and Angelina
16 Drive, Angela Drive.

17 MR. FEBBO: Pittston and Angela.

18 MR. HOOVER: To take over the street.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: He did. Okay.

20 MR. FEBBO: He said he spoke with
21 somebody from the Borough. Had to be somebody in
22 Council.

23 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I don't know if it was
24 Council.

25 MR. NOTARI: Wasn't me.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Wasn't me.

2 MR. HOOVER: Wasn't me. Just an excuse,
3 I guess.

4 MR. NOTARI: Was it you, Joe?

5 MR. FERRETT: Me? I'm the rabbit in the
6 farm.

7 ATTORNEY RINALDI: That's the only news I
8 have. I assume they'll get back to me. We can -- if
9 Council wants to do it this evening, Officer Grunza's
10 suspension was -- we could address his suspension. His
11 PFA was withdrawn. And the chief was supposed to
12 advise me if his MPOETC certification was back in
13 place, if he happened to say. And that's it.

14 MR. FEBBO: Bill, go back to Stuccio.
15 Three different units coming in there and getting phone
16 calls from everybody. 24 hours a day, he's moving
17 equipment in.

18 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I get the same
19 information.

20 MR. FEBBO: What can we do?

21 ATTORNEY RINALDI: We have a contempt
22 hearing on the 4th. I can't speed it up any quicker
23 than that.

24 MR. FEBBO: Make the Court aware of the
25 fact that he's committed tremendous violations?

1 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Pretty much, that's
2 what the contempt hearing is. He's in violation, so.
3 It's a hearing. So, we got a lot of pictures and a lot
4 of people contacting us. So, we'll present it all at
5 the hearing.

6 MR. HOOVER: The more people can make it,
7 the better. It's a Monday.

8 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Right.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anything else, Bill?

10 ATTORNEY RINALDI: That's it.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anybody have any
12 questions for Bill?

13 MR. PAPI: Is that Election Day?

14 MR. NOTARI: No, day before.

15 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Any questions for
16 Bill? Thanks, Bill. Marylynn.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: Okay. The first thing
18 is, the November work session followed on Election Day.
19 So I would like to move it from the 5th to the 12th.
20 Everyone okay with that?

21 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Paul. Yes. Everybody
22 good with that? Set for the 12th, the following week.

23 MS. BARTOLETTI: And the public meeting
24 will be on the regular scheduled day.

25 ATTORNEY RINALDI: For the work session.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Work session. Dave
2 isn't here, but he did send me the invitation to bid
3 that we're going to be putting in the paper for the
4 police station.

5 So, right now, as it's scheduled, the
6 bids are going to be schedule to come in on November
7 6th. So it will go out to bid.

8 There will be a key bid meeting on
9 October 25th. And then bids will come in on November
10 6th.

11 So, if that has to be changed, it would
12 be changed by a day or two. But, right now, that's
13 when we schedule it.

14 MR. NOTARI: Then we open bids on the
15 12th.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Be able to -- they'll
17 probably be opened on that day. But on the 12th,
18 you'll be able to award.

19 MR. NOTARI: Okay.

20 MS. BARTOLETTI: Okay?

21 MR. FERRETT: The award session, can't
22 award the bid on the award session.

23 MS. BARTOLETTI: The following, on the
24 19th.

25 MR. FERRETT: 19th?

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: 19th, opened on the
2 12th. So can award that. You can discuss them in the
3 session, but award on the next meeting.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: You all have my
5 financial reports. Does anyone have any questions?

6 Okay. I want to point out, on the sewer
7 report, I have 300 more thousand out of regular
8 checking and savings into the PLICT accounts. So that
9 puts it up to 803,000 in PLICT. And then I left very
10 little in the checking and savings accounts.

11 And if you take a look at the regular
12 balance sheet, you'll notice under the A.S.L.
13 Agreement and applicant A.S.L. agreement, A.S.L,
14 you'll notice that that's in there. Our most recent
15 check that we received was 199,000. And that's
16 reflected in the PLICT account, 1.7 million.

17 And I think that's about it. We did have
18 an audit last week from the Auditor General.
19 Everything was perfect. And the budget is coming along
20 good. I don't know if anyone has any interest to know
21 anything about it. But we'll probably have a finance
22 meeting in two weeks. Okay? That's it.

23 MR. FERRETT: One little question. The
24 question was put to me, and I can't answer the
25 question.

1 When is the last day for the farmer's
2 market?

3 MS. BARTOLETTI: I'm thinking it's going
4 to be this Thursday.

5 MR. FERRETT: This Thursday? Just so I
6 tell somebody when they ask me, I have no idea.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: I think, after this
8 week, because the weather is starting to get crummy and
9 stuff like that. So I think, this Thursday, we'll close
10 it for the season.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anything else, Joe?

12 MR. FERRETT: No.

13 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anybody else have any
14 questions for Marylynn? Thank you, Marylynn.

15 At this time, the Chair is going to go
16 to public comment. Robert, could you state your name
17 and address for the record?

18 MR. KUNIEGEL: K-u-n-i-e-g-e-l, Robert.
19 1079 State Route 502, Spring Brook Township. Property
20 owner in Old Forge.

21 Just so I'm not going to make a false
22 assumption, I'm going to ask some questions that follow
23 up and get into what I want to talk about.

24 Does the Borough ever open dialogue with
25 the Department of Transportation over the Main Street

1 here, in any way at all?

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I don't believe so.

3 MR. KUNIEGEL: Working on a sewer line or
4 something.

5 MR. PAPI: Need a permit.

6 MR. HOOVER: Get a permit. Just go to
7 the permit process at PennDot. That's all we do.

8 MR. KUNIEGEL: What I'm going to say
9 might not apply, but I'll get into it anyway. I want
10 to establish myself as an expert witness, if I could.

11 I have a background in construction.
12 I've worked for the biggest company in the world,
13 Bechtel. I had a lot of experience on cooling towers
14 in Berwick.

15 We pumped concrete higher and further
16 around than anybody ever did at that time, and there
17 was some experimenting to do. They failed the first
18 couple times they tried to do it.

19 And I worked heavy highway. I've -- when
20 I was working at the University of Scranton, I observed
21 how the university stabilizes ground before they do any
22 type of construction.

23 Now, there's a problem in front of -- to
24 the side of our hair salon on Main Street. This has
25 been going on for many, many years, probably 10 or 15.

1 They did some major work last year or the
2 year before. But the hole is opening up again. It's
3 going to damage that sewer line again, eventually.

4 PennDOT needs to stabilize that ground.
5 What's happening is, and there's no doubt in my mind,
6 that there's a mine shaft somewhere down there. And
7 it's loosening the dirt and some of the dirt is
8 filtering down. The ground is not stable.

9 So, if I have to go to PennDOT, I'll go
10 down there.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What it is is a broken
12 storm or sewer --

13 MR. PAPI: Sewer.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Broken sewer line,
15 which is eroding the ground away underneath. There's a
16 contractor going to be doing the work there soon.
17 We're just trying to get the PennDOT regulations,
18 PennDOT's approval and everything first.

19 How long, Paul, until we get --

20 MR. PAPI: Matty was waiting for his
21 grandson to be born, which was born yesterday. Now
22 they're going to be probably next week they'll do it.
23 Dig it right up.

24 MR. KUNIEGEL: Since this work has been
25 done numerous times, thinking that it was a broken

1 sewer line, that's why I wanted to add my expertise to
2 this, because I know there is, even on another property
3 of mine, there's a little sink hole that I know is
4 related to the mines.

5 And this problem is going to continue to
6 reoccur. It's not the sewer line. If it was, it would
7 have been fixed the other times that they fixed it.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Well, we fixed it to
9 that point. Now it's going from that point forward
10 where the break is.

11 There's actually mines all over this area
12 and sink holes all over town. Get calls about them
13 quite a bit. And it's everywhere. Not only Old Forge.

14 MR. KUNIEGEL: What the University of
15 Scranton did, before they put up the big, expensive
16 buildings, I watched it over years, they'll sink a bore
17 hole down it might be ten inches or wider, down until
18 they get to where they get to the mine.

19 And then they stabilize the ground before
20 they even start. So, that's what I think somebody
21 should at least take a look at that possibility.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Possibility of what,
23 stabilizing the Main Street?

24 MR. KUNIEGEL: Just that one area there
25 where that continues to keep opening up.

1 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: We have it on camera,
2 the break in the sewer line. We have it where it's
3 eroding around where the break is.

4 MR. KUNIEGEL: Probably broken because
5 the ground is not stable.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Either that or the
7 sewer line is 60 years old.

8 MR. KUNIEGEL: They replaced that two
9 years ago.

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: No. Replaced to that
11 point, from --

12 MR. PAPI: From the manhole, 721 up to
13 Foster Street. Now they're going from the manhole down
14 to the next manhole in front of the UPS.

15 MR. KUNIEGEL: That would be nice if that
16 solves the problem. I hope it does. Wanted to make
17 that point.

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: If you want to see a
19 diagram of the mines underneath the Borough, the
20 County. Veins all over the place.

21 MR. KUNIEGEL: All over. Right down in
22 Duryea, my cousin told me the story when they used to
23 be in the house, they could hear the miners talking in
24 the mines when they were in the basement.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Come full circle.

1 They say 50 percent the mines, the veins are under
2 water.

3 MR. KUNIEGEL: Depending on how deep they
4 are too. It's not going to affect anything major.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I could assure you
6 that break -- that subsidence is because of the break
7 in the sewer line. You know, so.

8 MR. KUNIEGEL: Okay. Thanks.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: It's just unfortunate
10 that it happened in two spots pretty close to each
11 other. You know. And I understand where your concern
12 is in front of, you know, one of your properties. And
13 you know, but.

14 MR. KUNIEGEL: Not doing any damage.
15 When it did happen, the trucks going by, hitting the
16 hole, would shake the building. And that's about to
17 happen again. But that's minor. I just wanted to make
18 that point.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Going to get somebody
20 out there, like I said, probably next week should be
21 out there.

22 MR. PAPI: Yeah. Temporarily fix the pipe
23 until we can get a bid to replace the entire --

24 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: You know how the State
25 is, got to jump through the hoops.

1 MR. KUNIEGEL: I know. I worked for the
2 State too, so I know. Thank you for your time.

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Thank you. Fred
4 Rinaldi.

5 MR. FRED RINALDI: Good evening. I
6 represent George Dunbar. And several months ago, I
7 know we met with Council, and he expressed an interest
8 in acquiring the land adjacent to his current
9 development of Birchwood Estates.

10 Understanding it's Borough property, we
11 understand that the Borough is in the process of
12 completing a survey. And George just wanted -- Mr.
13 Dunbar wanted to inquire whether the Borough still has
14 interest in, you know, selling that property because it
15 is a two-year time frame.

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Right.

17 MR. FRED RINALDI: If the Borough has
18 interest, he's willing to, you know, attempt to
19 negotiate with the Borough. But if the Borough had no
20 interest, he just wants to move to another project.
21 That's why he sent me here this evening.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I think I'd like to
23 talk to Council in an executive session about that. We
24 can go in to executive session for real estate;
25 correct, Bill?

1 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Yep.

2 MR. HOOVER: We were supposed to get it
3 surveyed.

4 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Did get it surveyed. I
5 got a copy. I think Dave has the big map. I have an
6 e-mail of it.

7 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I didn't think it
8 came back.

9 MR. NOTARI: I don't know if he ever got
10 it. Showed the big map on one of them.

11 MR. FRED RINALDI: Mr. Semenza, we're not
12 looking -- we just want to know, does the Borough have
13 an interest? I'm not looking for definitive terms.
14 Just, if there's an interest, he's willing to move
15 forward, because, you know, it's a two year before
16 design, planning, you know.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: How about this, would
18 you mind coming back to the next meeting and have an
19 executive session with Council on it and we'll talk
20 about it? I think it's been a cold subject since --

21 MR. NOTARI: I don't know if we discussed
22 it. Or you can just call him and let him know.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Call you. No use in
24 you coming. Mary, one of them call the office
25 tomorrow?

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: That's fine.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Or do you want me to
3 call.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: No. That's fine.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Call the office
6 tomorrow. Have an executive session afterwards.

7 MR. FRED RINALDI: Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Thank you. Anybody
9 have any questions for Fred on that property before we
10 go any further?

11 Everybody know what property he's talking
12 about? Everybody know what property he's talking
13 about? All right. Thanks, Fred.

14 There's no public comment. You?

15 MR. GOETZ: Chris Goetz, G-o-e-t-z. I'm
16 sure you all know why I'm here. I would just like to
17 thank the Borough for all of your efforts so far
18 against the case with Walter Stocki property.

19 Just hoping that we'll continue to move
20 forward, because this is not coming to an end. I
21 witnessed a piece of equipment coming in the other day
22 on a truck that didn't run. They had to get excavators
23 to take it off the trailer.

24 He's just -- it's blatant. He's in full
25 noncompliance with the Order. And I'm not sure what

1 the end game is. I don't know, Bill, if there's an
2 injunction we can ask for. I mean, it just continues
3 day after day after day.

4 ATTORNEY RINALDI: We have that. And we
5 have the contempt on the injunction.

6 MR. GOETZ: I forget what the date is.

7 MR. HOOVER: November 4th at 1:30.

8 MR. GOETZ: Okay. So, again, I just want
9 to thank everybody that's been -- you know, the Borough
10 has been trying to do this.

11 I know it's not just an eyesore for the
12 residents or an ear sore for the residents of my
13 neighborhood, but for everybody that lives in the
14 Borough and has to deal with it.

15 I mean, our fear is it's going to turn
16 into a Super Fund site there, you know, before you know
17 it. So, just want to thank everybody and just keep our
18 -- keep the fight, because it's not going to end,
19 because, obviously, he has no desire to stop doing what
20 he's doing. So, all right. Thank you.

21 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Okay. At this time,
22 the Chair is going to go around the table. Councilman
23 Febbo.

24 MR. FEBBO: Good.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Councilman Notari.

1 MR. NOTARI: Did we move on the crack
2 sealing program at all? I know we discussed that. Mr.
3 Ferrett brought some prices to us.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: No, nothing was done.

5 MR. NOTARI: Do we need to make a
6 decision on that? Do we still want to pursue that
7 crack sealing program, Mr. Ferrett?

8 MR. FERRETT: Yeah.

9 MR. NOTARI: Do we need a motion to
10 approve the program?

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: What held it up was the
12 measurements, the roads that were going to be done, and
13 the measurements on the road, wherever the cracks were,
14 we had to have the list in order to get the quotations.

15 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Could we have the
16 paving committee or whatever go to work and get a list?

17 MR. FERRETT: We have a list.

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: You have them.

19 MS. BARTOLETTI: Not the measurements.
20 Where and how much?

21 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: That's not the list,
22 Joe?

23 MR. FERRETT: No.

24 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Joe, can you go to
25 work and get that done for our next regular meeting?

1 MR. FERRETT: Yeah. We're waiting to get
2 measurements.

3 MS. BARTOLETTI: I don't have the list
4 with the measurements, from where to where, where the
5 cracks are. That's what I never had. If you say do
6 it, but there's only a certain amount, didn't give me
7 measurements of where.

8 MR. FERRETT: I was under the impression
9 that if we list the streets down that should be done
10 and everything and we're mainly concerned with the
11 street that we paved, because we want to make sure that
12 this is where we're trying to get some value out of it
13 and then work from that point.

14 And I'm under the impression that whoever
15 goes out there and looks at these things, they're going
16 to measure and come back and say ex-number of --

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: I need the information
18 in order to get price quotations. I have to give them,
19 you know, the criteria. I don't have any criteria.

20 So, if you have a list of roads or
21 whatever, they can at least have the starting point.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Set something up with
23 Dave and you guys can go and look at roads. Mary, set
24 it up? Joe, you guys go out and let him know where you
25 want to do the crack sealing, Joe.

1 MR. FERRETT: Yeah.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: And then come back to
3 us and we can see what we got and put it to a vote.

4 MR. FERRETT: Well, my own personal
5 opinion is this that I can go to work and look at these
6 roads, whatever Dave says, well, here's the roads that
7 we paved in 2018 or 2016, these are the roads.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yeah. But we need
9 measurements.

10 MR. FERRETT: That's the reason why we
11 have Department of Public Works. We have man go out
12 and measure. I shouldn't have to do that.

13 My job is only to tell you what streets
14 should be done and shouldn't be done.

15 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Do it with Dave to get
16 the cost estimate, don't we?

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: If you get the streets,
18 Joe, if you tell Paul the streets, Paul, will you
19 measure the streets? Give it to me, so I can put
20 something together.

21 MR. FERRETT: It's very simple.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Get with Paul.

23 MR. FERRETT: Paul, get the roller, on
24 Sussex Street, there's 290 square feet to be done.
25 Whoever is going to do the job, they're going to look

1 at this and say --

2 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Got to give Paul
3 the streets.

4 MR. HOOVER: Give me the list.

5 MR. PAPI: Go with the streets we paved.
6 Those are the ones he's saying to do.

7 MR. HOOVER: You have the list of last
8 three years that are paved.

9 MR. FERRETT: Yeah.

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Joe, get a list for
11 Paul?

12 MR. HOOVER: Taken care of.

13 MR. FERRETT: Yeah.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: He will give you a
15 list, Paul. Thank you. Councilman Notari, anything
16 else?

17 MR. NOTARI: The only thing, Mr. Goetz, I
18 believe we're doing all we can, according to the court
19 of law, to try to get that rectified.

20 I know everyone on Council, we talked
21 about it ad nauseam, not only in public meetings but
22 also executive sessions about trying to get something
23 done. And we're doing the best we can.

24 I mean, I don't know what the answer is.
25 I don't know if you need to bring the whole

1 neighborhood to the -- and I know it's tough because
2 it's during the day. It's a work day. Hopefully, the
3 Judge finally makes a decision.

4 MR. GOETZ: Hopefully, this time. It's
5 been -- when you really look at the whole crux, the
6 whole case is just an appeal of a Zoning Board decision
7 that is now turned into --

8 ATTORNEY RINALDI: It's not an appeal of
9 a Zoning Board decision.

10 MR. GOETZ: The original case was, most
11 certainly.

12 ATTORNEY RINALDI: No, it wasn't. It's
13 an appeal of a fine imposed by the Magistrate.

14 MR. GOETZ: Because he did appeal the
15 Zoning Board.

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Not appealing the
17 Zoning Board decision.

18 MR. GOETZ: He appealed that to go to the
19 Magistrate.

20 ATTORNEY RINALDI: No, no. He's
21 appealing the fine. Period. That's it.

22 MR. GOETZ: If he never appealed the
23 Zoning Board decision, then he definitely doesn't
24 belong here.

25 ATTORNEY RINALDI: That case is over.

1 He's appealing the fines only.

2 MR. GOETZ: Okay. If he's only appealing
3 the fines, then he's guilty from the Zoning Board
4 decision that we rendered.

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Exactly. Appealing
6 the \$500.00 a day.

7 MR. GOETZ: He should never even be there
8 then. It shouldn't even be open. If I opened up a
9 strip joint across the street in one of those empty
10 stores, without coming in here for a permit, would I
11 still be there two years later? I really don't think I
12 would be. I really don't.

13 There's no -- if he's only appealing the
14 fine, then this is even more ridiculous because there
15 was a Zoning Board decision that said he was a junkyard
16 and he shouldn't be over there.

17 MR. FEBBO: Should be shut down.

18 MR. GOETZ: Exactly, exactly. If I
19 opened something across the street that was not zoned
20 for there and never came here for a permit, you could
21 be rest assured, I wouldn't be there a year and a half
22 later. There's no way. That's how simple this is
23 then.

24 MR. FEBBO: Why are we not shutting him
25 down?

1 ATTORNEY RINALDI: It was not a cease and
2 desist. He's appealing the fine.

3 MR. NOTARI: I thought it was a cease and
4 desist.

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: No. The zoning
6 ordinance works like this. If there is a violation,
7 they get a letter notifying there's a violation. If
8 they challenge the violation, come to the Zoning
9 Hearing Board.

10 If they fail to come to the Zoning
11 Hearing Board, the ordinance says you go down to the
12 Magistrate and fine them 500 for the violation, 500 per
13 day. We went down and fined him \$500 for the
14 violation, 500 per day. He's appealing the fine.

15 We filed a complaint, asked for an
16 injunction to cease and desist. We got an Order that
17 says he's not going to operate as a scrap operation
18 there. We have that Order. He's in contempt of it.
19 That's why we filed a contempt. That's where it's at.

20 MR. GOETZ: The Judge did -- he did deem
21 it on the first hearing to be a junkyard.

22 ATTORNEY RINALDI: That's correct.

23 MR. GOETZ: So, what I'm saying is, we're
24 a year and a half almost beyond the July 31st hearing,
25 where the Judge deemed it to be a junkyard.

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1 selling equipment. Okay. That was prior to anything
2 starting. He moved there and said I'm only going to
3 sell equipment. That was in front of zoning. There's
4 a record of that.

5 MR. BIERLYA: Zoning Board asked me to
6 see if he was in compliance.

7 ATTORNEY RINALDI: So, his business was
8 selling equipment, did not cease. But his business of
9 scrapping equipment is supposed to cease.

10 MR. GOETZ: Which hasn't.

11 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Correct.

12 MR. NOTARI: If the Judge finds in our
13 favor and he continues to do what he does --

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: The Judge can keep
15 finding him in contempt.

16 MR. HOOVER: So this can go on forever.

17 ATTORNEY RINALDI: No. I mean, how much
18 money he gets hit with and what the Judge wants to do
19 to him.

20 MR. NOTARI: Okay.

21 MR. FEBBO: Question.

22 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Only had a fine, now
23 we have an Order.

24 MR. FEBBO: Never approved him as sales.
25 Never got that permit.

1 MR. BIERYLA: Never had a permit to
2 occupy that property.

3 MR. GOETZ: Could do anything, not even
4 to sell.

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Somebody let him on it
6 for three years, so I don't know. I wasn't privy to
7 that. I only came in when he started the scrapping
8 operation.

9 MR. GOETZ: He was scrapping from day
10 one. He just put the smoking mirrors equipment
11 outfront.

12 MR. FEBBO: Doesn't have a permit to be
13 there, period.

14 MR. GOETZ: To even do that. I agree. I
15 would agree. The zoning officer would know that.

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: What would he get if
17 it's raw land? He doesn't have a building, so there's
18 no occupancy permit.

19 MR. BIERYLA: He did have a building. He
20 had an office. He had an office there.

21 MR. GOETZ: Sell used cars, you need a
22 handicapped parking spot.

23 MR. BIERYLA: Left-hand side of Billy's
24 trailer -- no, right in Billy's complex to the left of
25 Gilchrist's offices, he had a little office there.

1 ATTORNEY RINALDI: On his property or on
2 Gilchrist's?

3 MR. BIERLYA: Gilchrist.

4 ATTORNEY RINALDI: That's not an
5 occupancy permit for him.

6 MR. GOETZ: No permit to do anything
7 there, when you really look in to it, zero. Not even
8 selling the equipment.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Councilman Ferrett.
10 Councilman Hoover.

11 MR. HOOVER: Couple water projects we're
12 starting this week. Stewart, Hickory, Orchard. What
13 was the name of that street at the Heights that the gas
14 company wanted to put a main in?

15 MR. NOTARI: Sunny Drive.

16 MR. HOOVER: Also doing Mine Street. So,
17 Stewart will be starting tomorrow, pending the rain.
18 That's all I have.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anything else?

20 MR. HOOVER: No.

21 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Councilman Rinaldi.

22 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Bill, the only
23 question I had, is there -- I don't think we have one.
24 But is there a way or how do we get an ordinance, if we
25 don't have one, about tractor-trailers parking on Main

1 Street in Old Forge?

2 Could we park them for a certain amount
3 of time, while they're dropping off deliveries to
4 businesses and such?

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You can come up -- you
6 can regulate --

7 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Do we have one
8 currently?

9 MR. BIERYLA: Only on Borough streets.

10 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Only on Borough
11 streets.

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Do you know how
13 they're worded exactly?

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I can look it up.
15 Talking no parking or no standing?

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: No standing.

17 MR. BIERYLA: Basically says a commercial
18 vehicle cannot be parked on a Borough street.

19 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I mean, I know that
20 we have places on Main Street that deliveries come in
21 and out and stuff like that, I mean, for like, a
22 substantial amount of time. Could we -- do we have an
23 ordinance that says how long one can be parked there
24 and if we don't, what's our options if Council decided
25 to or if somebody decides to motion to the floor to get

1 an ordinance written up that way?

2 MR. FEBBO: Could we have something like
3 that on the state road?

4 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Could we pass
5 something like that on the state road?

6 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Give me an idea of
7 what your --

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: No standing vehicles,
9 commercial vehicles.

10 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Loading zones, I mean,
11 what are you --

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Only in loading zone,
13 maybe. You have to have a designated loading zone. I
14 don't know.

15 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You have loading zones
16 designated, okay, which I can't see the attachment
17 here. I don't see -- where do you see tractor-trailer?
18 I don't have that under parking.

19 MR. BIERYLA: It's not on that one. It's
20 the ordinance that they have for tractor-trailers or
21 trailers parked on Borough streets. I have it in the
22 office.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I think no detached
24 trailer.

25 MR. BIERYLA: I just gave it to Officer

1 --

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: No attached trailer,
3 detached trailer. Isn't that what it is?

4 MR. BIERYLA: No. Commercial vehicles.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Commercial vehicles.

6 MR. BIERYLA: Yeah.

7 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I have it here.

8 Trying to find out where. Already had it.

9 MR. NOTARI: 328-37. Parking of trucks,
10 trailers on residential streets.

11 MR. FEBBO: Residential.

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What does it say?

13 ATTORNEY RINALDI: 328.37.

14 MR. NOTARI: Bus or trailer at such terms
15 as defined in the Vehicle Code.

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Right. So you want to
17 outlaw something on commercial streets, I guess, I take
18 it?

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

20 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

21 MR. PAPI: The CVS always said that the
22 only one that could take away parking is the Borough
23 Council. Take away the parking, only you guys that
24 could do that, so.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Wonder if we can stop

1 tractor-trailers from parking there, anywhere. Not
2 take away parking spots.

3 MR. PAPI: Not too many spots on Main
4 Street they can fit without blocking somebody's
5 driveway, you know.

6 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Blocking line of
7 sight. And line of sight is more -- I'm more concerned
8 about line of sight. I noticed a couple that were --
9 the past month or so that were parked and blocking the
10 line of sight which is extremely dangerous to people,
11 kids crossing the road, cars trying to pull out.

12 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You don't want
13 trailers on commercial streets. I mean, in a
14 commercial district, you might have a problem. Got to
15 figure out.

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I don't know. You get
17 deliveries in front of your place, Pat, do you?

18 PAT: Never in the front.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: How many places in Old
20 Forge? You know the business owners. Anybody get
21 deliveries in front? Mark and Angelo on the side on
22 Grace Street, Anthony's in the back.

23 MR. HOOVER: It's only limited amount of
24 spaces you can park a truck. Maybe that little spot in
25 front of Angelo's.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Deliveries are
2 parked only 10 minutes.

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Most of them aren't
4 tractor-trailers.

5 MR. FERRETT: Bob, as long as we're
6 talking about trailers and tractors and trailers, what
7 about the situation up on Wood Street with that Pride
8 Mobility, all that traffic is going to be coming out of
9 that thing, instead of going to Duryea, they're going
10 to be coming right on Wood Street. God only knows
11 which way they're going to be going.

12 Those people are going to be bitching and
13 complaining. That's a problem. Go up there and take a
14 look at that. The way they have that situated.

15 We better start thinking about some kind
16 of ordinance that we can put into effect or something
17 before --

18 MR. NOTARI: Not supposed to exit on Wood
19 Street. Not they're supposed to exit on Wood Street.

20 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Right, right.

21 MR. FERRETT: How are they going to get
22 on Park Street?

23 MR. NOTARI: The other way.

24 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Other way.

25 MR. NOTARI: In the middle of the

1 property, that exit, Joe, that's close to Drake Street.

2 MR. FERRETT: Which street, the street --

3 MR. NOTARI: Supposed to be an emergency
4 exit only.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: York Avenue, the other
6 side, Joe.

7 MR. FERRETT: All right.

8 MR. NOTARI: We were told going to be an
9 emergency exit only. They're going to exit on to York
10 Avenue.

11 MR. FERRETT: You're going to tell me
12 that a guy from New Jersey or a guy from California,
13 come in and going to remember, he's going to remember,
14 he's got to come from the other side and not Wood
15 Street and takes a short cut.

16 MR. NOTARI: There's a no truck sign
17 there, isn't there?

18 MR. FERRETT: Nothing up. I didn't see
19 no signs up.

20 MR. FEBBO: Should be.

21 MR. FERRETT: That's what I'm trying to
22 say. Got to be clear when they're coming and going
23 cause you're gonna get guys out of town, they know
24 where Wood Street is. They short cut to take in.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Pride has to tell

1 them. Pride knows about it.

2 MR. FERRETT: What I'm saying is, we
3 should be prepared to have some kind of ordinance, make
4 sure we can back ourselves up, when the argument comes
5 up, we know what we're talking about.

6 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Tell them now.

7 MR. FERRETT: What am I talking about?
8 Wood Street.

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Let's tell them now
10 to get an ordinance for the next meeting.

11 MR. FERRETT: Let me tell you something,
12 people from out of town are going to come in and take
13 all the shortcuts they can to get there.

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Tell me what streets
15 or you want no trailers anywhere parked? Or do you
16 want a specific street or what are you looking for?

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Main Street.

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Main Street.

19 MR. FERRETT: Not supposed to exit out of
20 --

21 MR. HOOVER: This is something else.

22 MR. FERRETT: I'm sorry.

23 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Trailers only, or is
24 it trucks? Is it everything in residential the same?

25 MR. FEBBO: Trucks over a certain weight

1 limit.

2 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Right now, you cannot
3 park trucks, tractor, tractor-trailer combination, bus
4 or trailer, okay, in a residential area.

5 So, what do you want to do on Main
6 Street?

7 MR. FEBBO: Commercial.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Same thing.

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yeah, same thing.

10 MR. NOTARI: What if somebody comes down
11 on a bus?

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What do you mean a
13 bus?

14 MR. FEBBO: Park in the parking lot.

15 MR. NOTARI: Greyhound bus. What if you
16 have a big party or somebody comes in with 50 people
17 and Martz or Joe-Joe's.

18 MR. FEBBO: They do already.

19 MR. NOTARI: That's not considered a
20 parking? You just drop them off and park somewhere
21 else.

22 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I've had it happen
23 before.

24 MR. NOTARI: Not considered parking, if
25 it's 10 or 15 minutes?

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Not if they're
2 loading or unloading or loading back up. I don't think
3 that would be --

4 ATTORNEY RINALDI: That's park and
5 standing, correct? And you're going to mark areas
6 where they can do deliveries?

7 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I don't think we need
8 to do the delivery.

9 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Got a lot of
10 commercial. I'm thinking of the supply places. I'm
11 sure people pick up and drop off.

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Like where?

13 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Down here by the
14 medical place.

15 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Medical place.

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Any of the
17 restaurants.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Near VFW.

19 ATTORNEY RINALDI: How do you get the
20 front or back?

21 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: My parking lot.

22 MR. PAPI: Delivery in the alley in the
23 back.

24 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Pat, do you get
25 delivers in front or back?

1 PAT: No, never in the front.

2 ATTORNEY RINALDI: UPS is a truck.
3 Standing is dropping. That's what I'm saying. So,
4 just have to --

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Standing is for how
6 long of a period?

7 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Standing is you pull
8 over, unload a truck and you drive off. Parking is
9 parking. Standing is standing.

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Parking then. Keep
11 standing out of it.

12 MR. BIERLYA: Should have a time period.
13 Make it more strict.

14 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Maybe a bus
15 dropping off or something.

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Just want to double
17 check that you don't need a traffic study.

18 MR. GOETZ: Don't need anything for
19 PennDot. PennDOT doesn't get involved in parking. You
20 don't need the traffic study for parking.

21 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Do we need it for the
22 Borough?

23 MR. GOETZ: Don't need a traffic study
24 for parking.

25 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I want to double check

1 because it's a main artery.

2 MR. GOETZ: You will need signs. How
3 they gonna know they can't park there? So, somebody
4 has got to install them and buy them.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: One other thing, how
6 about -- there was an event at, actually, Russell's
7 place and there was protesters there. Caused a lot of
8 havoc. A lot of people trying to pull out of
9 McDonald's, people had brakes, people couldn't see.

10 Is there something we can do to have --
11 you have to get a permit to protest or something in the
12 Borough? I don't know. I know you can't stop somebody
13 from freedom of speech.

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You want to set up
15 that program?

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: It was crazy.

17 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Permits are for
18 parades. Nobody gets a permit for a protest.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What can you do? Can
20 you do anything?

21 ATTORNEY RINALDI: They can't go on
22 private property. The person there -- only a customer.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: They're in front of
24 McDonald's. People cannot pull out of McDonald's.

25 MR. GOETZ: Safety hazard that the police

1 have the right to move them.

2 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Safety hazard, the
3 police have discretion. But, I mean, you can't stop a
4 protester, unless he's causing a disturbance of some
5 sort.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: That's a disturbance,
7 isn't it, a nuisance?

8 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I don't know. I don't
9 what they were doing.

10 MR. GOETZ: Blocking the line of sight,
11 like you're saying, then the police have the right to
12 move them to another spot.

13 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Down the road.

14 MR. GOETZ: Somebody wants to pull out of
15 McDonald's, gonna get hit, that's a problem.

16 MR. NOTARI: Are we legally -- can we
17 legally ask for somebody that's going to protest to ask
18 for a permit?

19 ATTORNEY RINALDI: No, because how the
20 hell are you going to know in advance I'm coming down
21 to protest?

22 MR. NOTARI: Most people do in advance.
23 And it would only -- like, it would only help the
24 Borough prepare for the need for, you know, police or
25 traffic control.

1 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I've never heard of a
2 protest permit. But I can inquire.

3 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Never heard of a
4 protest permit?

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: No.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: We'll be the first,
7 the national news.

8 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I had four people
9 tell me they needed a permit.

10 ATTORNEY RINALDI: For protesting?
11 Where?

12 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yeah. Where did
13 the people tell me?

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Where were you
15 protesting and needed a permit?

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I wasn't protesting
17 anywhere.

18 MR. NOTARI: Russell was protesting. He
19 was protesting to protest.

20 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: People told me that
21 they should have had a permit. I don't know if that's
22 true or not. That's what people told me.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Look in to it, please,
24 Bill.

25 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'm not protesting

1 anything.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Who are we on? I
3 forget.

4 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: We were on me.
5 Russell. But then Joe -- we went back to Joe because
6 asked him about the Pride Mobility, not the Pride, but
7 asked him about the ordinance of possibly on Wood
8 Street.

9 So tell them what you think we want, so
10 he can get an ordinance written up.

11 MR. FERRETT: Said something to Council,
12 what Council thinks. I don't know what everybody wants
13 to say. What I said. What does Council think?

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I think we should have
15 no truck traffic on Wood Street. Could we enact an
16 ordinance to that, Bill? No tractor-trailer traffic on
17 Wood Street?

18 MR. NOTARI: I don't know if we can do
19 that.

20 MR. FERRETT: Bobby, actually, you only
21 have --

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: We don't need nothing.
23 It's already there. Put a sign up.

24 MR. BIERYLA: Sign is there.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Signs are up. We're

1 good.

2 MR. FERRETT: All right.

3 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: So when a truck
4 goes up there, if it does, we have to enforce it.

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: If you got an
6 ordinance to cite to, you can.

7 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Council, do we have an
8 ordinance, Steve?

9 MR. BIERYLA: Yeah. No exit out.

10 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Where do you have it?
11 Trying to see.

12 MR. BIERYLA: No truck exit off Drake
13 Street. Got to go York.

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: It's in here?

15 MR. BIERYLA: I'm aware of it. That's
16 why there's a big sign, no truck traffic.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I remember that saying
18 that they're not going to exit on to Wood Street.

19 MR. HOOVER: They told us that, they
20 weren't going to. Taking care of that swale up there,
21 you know that?

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Are they doing it?

23 MR. FERRETT: What entrance, from the
24 York Avenue or from this entrance, Old Forge?

25 MR. BIERYLA: York coming this way, no

1 truck traffic.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anything else,
3 Councilman Rinaldi?

4 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: That's it.

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You don't have one.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Okay.

7 MR. BIERYLA: There's a sign.

8 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I don't care what the
9 sign says. If you don't have an ordinance, the signs
10 mean nothing.

11 MR. FERRETT: You need an ordinance.

12 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'm ready. I'll
13 make the motion.

14 MR. FERRETT: No. I am saying, the signs
15 don't mean nothing. That's what the man said.

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: So somebody --

17 MR. FERRETT: You don't get it.

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'm the one who
19 told you to ask for the ordinance.

20 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I don't see one in
21 here. I don't see anywhere we have no truck traffic
22 anywhere. I think you only have a weight limit one,
23 and that's it. And that's on -- I'll get that for you.

24 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Thank you, Bill.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Councilman Rinaldi,

1 anything else?

2 MR. FERRETT: Tell him what page it's on.

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I have nothing myself.

4 At this time, the Chair is going to go into new
5 business.

6 Chair is going to entertain a motion that
7 the Borough will concur with Lackawanna County Tax
8 Claim Bureau in regards for George Ravitz.

9 MR. NOTARI: Mr. Chairman, make that
10 motion.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by
12 Councilman Notari. Could I have a second?

13 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
15 Rinaldi on the question. Public input. Roll call.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

17 MR. FEBBO: Okay. We're voting that the
18 County handles it, right?

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

20 MR. FEBBO: Yes..

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

22 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

23 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

24 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

25 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

1 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

2 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

3 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes. And we only have
6 one other thing of new business. At this time, the
7 Chair, I'm going to make the motion that we put a stop
8 sign at the corner of East Grace Street and Fallon
9 Street. Could I have a second?

10 MR. NOTARI: Second.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Second by Councilman
12 Notari on the question. Public input.

13 MR. GOETZ: Need a traffic study.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Roll call. Public
15 input.

16 MR. GOETZ: Need a traffic study.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Roll call, please.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

19 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

20 ATTORNEY RINALDI: We know that.

21 MR. GOETZ: That's the public input. You
22 need a traffic study.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Traffic study was
24 done.

25 MR. GOETZ: As long as you have it.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

2 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

3 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

4 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover.

6 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

8 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

10 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes. Anybody else
13 have anything for new business?

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Do you want to do
15 anything with Officer Grunza?

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Do we have the
17 sheet yet that says MPOETC is good?

18 ATTORNEY RINALDI: We can make it
19 contingent on verifying that his MPOETC certification
20 is good.

21 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Table for the meeting.
22 Cleared motion to table it?

23 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Not even on the
24 agenda.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: We're not doing

1 nothing.

2 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Wanted to know if you
3 wanted to address it.

4 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: At this time, the
5 Chair is going to entertain a motion to adjourn. First
6 let everybody know, we're going to do a brief executive
7 session after this meeting.

8 MR. FERRETT: Make a motion we adjourn.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion by Councilman
10 Ferret. All in favor.

11 (Chorus of Ayes.)

12 (Whereupon, at 7:54 p.m., the meeting was
13 concluded.)

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