**AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 11TH, 2021 – AVOCA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

1. LOMR submission to FEMA regarding Mill Creek Flood Protection Project
2. Hawthorne Street running through Keisinger property
3. Main St & McAlpine Street Project – PENNDOT Multimodal Grant: Awarded $1.55 million

Borough received a letter stating that the **30% match needed ($465,000) will be waived.**

CFA Multimodal Grant: Applied for additional $500,000

Will be utilizing exemption request for Municipalities for match needed.

1. LSA Recreation Grant Projects – A) Queen of Apostles Handicap Entrance: **COMPLETED**

B) West Side Social Club Handicap Entrance: **COMPLETED**

C) Community Center Roof Replacement: **COMPLETED**

D) Plane Street Park Tennis Court: **COMPLETED**

E) Plane Street Park Wall / Fence –

1. 2020 Luzerne County Community Development Program - Submitted grant application in the amount of $199,515 (Proposed Project – McLean Lane Drainage Issues)

* The Borough was recently awarded $150,000 for this grant/project **(NO match required)**

1. DCED Watershed Restoration Program (Project: MS4 Pollutant Reduction Plan) –
2. Awarded grant in the amount of $62,672 on 9/17/19 that requires a 15%

Match of the TOTAL project cost **(Match approx.$9,400)**

1. $80,900 awarded from “Other Parks” Grant

1. McAlpine Street water issue – applying for PA Small Water & Sewer Grant

Awarded $312,000 from Senator Blake & State Rep. Mike Carroll **(15% match of TOTAL cost, $55,200**) Total project cost

is $368,000

1. Storm Drains – 4 storm drains remain in need of repair, 1) South & Cherry - **COMPLETED**

2) Spring St – Multiscape approved to start work

3) McAlpine & Grove 1

4) McAlpine & Grove 2

1. 2021 LSA Grant applications – Projects submitted:
2. West Side Social Club Roof Replacement ($46,241)
3. West Side Social Club Parking Lot Paving Improvements ($79,970)
4. Fire & Ambulance Building & Electrical Improvements Project ($134,904)
5. Fire & Ambulance Site Improvement Project ($227,634)
6. 630 Main Street Parking Lot Improvements ($14,355)
7. 900 Block of Grove Street Parking Issues
8. 2021 Amusement Tax
9. **ACTION ITEM** - Hartford Steam Boiler Insurance Renewal (Expiring 3/31 $668) Annual renewal cost $679
10. **ACTION ITEM** - NorthEast LandBank 2021 Member Contribution $1500
11. Community Center - #1 Leaking Roof

#2 Water issue in lower level (bar)

1. Plan to alleviate illegal truck traffic on side streets
2. 2021 Recycling Programs - a) Electronics: Luzerne County will reimburse up to $10,000 or 50% of costs (whichever is lower)

For hosting an electronics event. Must be approved by DEP, must have docking area, pallet

Jack etc. and any other materials required by the hauling vendor.

b) Recycling Education: Luzerne County will reimburse up to $2500 for ads or education to

residents regarding recycling programs.

c) Paper Shredding: Luzerne County will reimburse up to $2000 per event (limit of 2 events per

year)

1. Street Dept – Lawn Cutting Tractor – New quote from Lindsey Equipment CoStars Pricing $7345.50
2. Berkheimer Sewer Maintenance Fee – Due Date
3. Police Vehicle – Accident between Police F150 & Borough Plow. Damages totaling $6,043.51 will be covered by insurance less our $500 deductible.
4. **ACTION ITEM**: Employee Travel Policy
5. **ACTION ITEM**: 16x36 Mesh Mate for Salt Shed at a cost of $75
6. **ACTION ITEM**: Quote from Biros Utilities to supply portable toilets w. hand sanitizer for baseball fields this upcoming season for $80 per unit.
7. Water Issues on Skytop at Duryea border
8. Discussion regarding Server, computers. E-mails, Website
9. **ACTION ITEM**: Resolution Authorizing John Boone to sign and Kelly O’Brien to attest PennDots Agent Authorization Form for Highway Occupancy Permits
10. **ACTION ITEM**: Ratify the purchase of 3 bulletproof vests for Chief & full timers (per contract)

**COMMUNITY EVENTS & REMINDERS:**

150th Celebration – At a meeting on 2/9, the committee members in attendance discussed and proposed to move the parade & celebration to September (Specifically Sept 3-6) in light of other organizations cancelling and moving their events and also the inability to use Queen of Apostles Community Hall in May

Saturday, March 13th – Beginning at 1pm there will be blessing services first at Langcliffe Presbyterian Church grounds, followed by Queen of the Apostle Cemetery grounds in honor of St. Patrick’s Day