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| **Mayor**  Robert Mullen  **Solicitor**  Elliott, Greenleaf & Dean  Atty. Matthew Boyd  **Chief of Police**  David Homschek  **Secretary**  Kelly O’Brien  **Treasurer**  Jennifer Davitt  **Engineer**  PennEastern Engineers, LLC  Paul Pasonick | Borough of Avoca  950 Main St.  Avoca, Pa 18641  [Secretary@AvocaBorough.com](mailto:Secretary@AvocaBorough.com)  Telephones  Secretary: 570-457-4947  Fax: 570-451-1750  Police Department: 570-457-4011 Street Department: 570-451-0625 | **Council**  President  Bob Dommermuth  Vice President  Gary Halagarda  Michael Fuller  Joe Satkowski Jr.  John D. Boone  John Vols  Frank Marriggi  Stanley J. Waleski  Jim Emlaw |

**AVOCA BOROUGH**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, 2021 – COUNCIL MEETING**

**MEETING MINUTES**

The regular monthly meeting of Avoca Borough Council was held on Thursday, November 11th, 2021 with Council President, Bob Dommermuth, presiding. The work session began at 6:30p.m. The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 6:40p.m. and Pledge of Allegiance was said by Jim Emlaw.

Council members in attendance: Jim Emlaw, Gary Halagarda, Frank Marriggi, Joe Satkowski and Bob Dommermuth. John Boone, Mike Fuller, Stanley Waleski and John Vols were absent.

Also in attendance: Mayor Robert Mullen, Atty. Matt Boyd, Chief Dave Homschek, Engineer Paul Pasonick and Secretary Kelly O’Brien.

At the start of the meeting, President Dommermuth asked for a moment of silence for all Veterans, past and present, in honor of Veteran’s Day.

Motion by Joe Satkowski, second by Frank Marriggi to accept the minutes of the October 2021 regular Council meeting as presented. Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES

Motion by Joe Satkowski, second by Gary Halagarda to pay all bills presented with funds available. Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES

Motion by Frank Marriggi, second by Gary Halagarda to accept new correspondence as presented. Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES

Motion by Jim Emlaw, second by Gary Halagarda to accept the October 2021 police report prepared by Chief Homschek and read aloud by Mayor Mullen. Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES

Motion by Jim Emlaw, second by Joe Satkowski to accept the second and final reading of the proposed 2022 budget as presented and read aloud by Atty. Boyd. Five ( 5 ) YES

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Motion by Joe Satkowski, second by Jim Emlaw to approve the Avoca Volunteer Fire Dept Work Comp SWIF insurance renewal with an annual premium of $10,982. Policy will run from 12/16/21 to 12/16/22. Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES

Motion by Jim Emlaw, second by Joe Satkowski to retain Atty. Matthew Boyd of Ufberg & Associates, formerly of Elliott, Greenleaf & Dean, as Avoca Borough Solicitor. Five ( 5 ) YES

Motion by Frank Marriggi, second by Joe Satkowski to approve the quote from Heads Up Flooring in the amount of $5475 to sand & refinish the community center basketball court (not to exceed price that was quoted). Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES

Motion by Gary Halagarda, second by Frank Marriggi to change the name of Grove Street in the area of Highway 315 to Petro Road. Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES

Engineers report was prepared and presented by Paul Pasonick. See attached.

Police report was prepared by Chief Homschek and read aloud by Mayor Mullen. See attached.

In other Borough matters:

Stan Spagnuolo advised Council that the toilet in the ladies restroom in the community center has been replaced.

Holly Homschek, resident/audience member, asked if the AED machines were ordered as a follow up to the conversation that happened at the October 2021 Council meeting. Gary Halagarda advised Mrs. Homschek that 2 of the AED machines were ordered at this time, 1 for the Municipal Building and 1 for the Municipal Garage. He was waiting on ordering the third machine until he gets the full payment from the Jolly Boys as discussed by Stan Waleski at the last Council meeting.

Gary Halagarda and Atty. Boyd thanked the street department for their attention to the complaints voiced at the October Council meeting regarding Swift Street. Gary also asked about a separate workmans comp policy for the Avoca Ambulance Association for their volunteers. Mrs. O’Brien will follow up.

Motion by Frank Marriggi, second by Jim Emlaw to adjourn meeting at 6:53p.m. Voice Vote: Five ( 5 ) YES