

PINE VALLEY BOROUGH
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, November 17, 2020
Mayor Michael B. Kennedy Presiding

Payroll Account \$ 6,258.20
TOTAL \$151,492.25

- Mayor Kennedy that there were large disbursements for legal and County taxes.
- The Motion to adopt by Commissioner Clark, was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, with all in favor, none opposed and no abstentions

OFFICIAL REPORTS

- Finance – CFO Ciminera said tax collection was a little low, some phone calls were made with a gentle reminder and they are now 99.66%. The borough is in line to pay the TAN in January. Mayor Kennedy highlighted letter from DCA granting Emergency Appropriation approval. Work on the budget is in process. Borough Treasurer Sims confirmed that payrolls taxes are all paid and that there are no Auditor issues.
- Police – Captain Rauer said everything was okay, with no problems to report. A new AED was purchased for the new car. The cost of this will be sent for reimbursement via the JIF Safety Award Program offered every year. In a couple of weeks, a new order will be placed with the County of PPE. All the officers are okay with no illness. reported on the ongoing situation with Camden County and reporting for CARES act funding. The difficulty is that initial emails were not received by the Borough, and County OEM has acknowledged there was no notification to Pine Valley. The quantities to be reimbursed did amount to \$672, and they did deliver PPE today, with instructions to order PPE again in December. There has been no illness in the Police Department, and when a vaccine is available he will make sure the Police Department receives it.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

- **Purchase of Generator** – Captain Rauer said he talked to the electrician about scheduling in relation to the delivery date for the generator. He will be contacted when the Borough is ready. Tree removal may be required.
 - **General Election** – The referendum was certified and passed 10 to 0. So the referendum was successful. It asked resident voters about forming a Citizen’s Commission about mergers or shared services. There is no specific requirements or deadlines but requires reporting to ourselves as a Borough. Mayor Kennedy said he was in the process of developing a plan for implementation sometime after Christmas or winter months. Ultimately, the process involves resident voters rather than the non-resident tax payers. There was discussion of the number of resident voters versus non-resident tax payers and seasonal Club visits and visitors. The Citizen Commission will be comprised of those who are voters, to be a sounding board for the governing body, whose objective is reviewing rights, responsibilities and concerns that they have between the Borough and Club, and forwarding to the governing body information as to what does Pine Valley look like. There was discussion about the Club’s future plans for renovations should no new residents come in; and then options of different shared services arrangements or mergers. Mergers would be with contiguous communities of Clementon or Pine Hill. There is no action to be taken at this time, just the taking of discussion and creating the power with the voters. There was discussion of changes and ownership of Borough properties and current worth, and that discussion would have to take place with legal counsel. The Courier Post reporter’s questions about the general election were discussed with legal counsel for the statement to respond. There will be more interest as time goes on with regard to the Citizen’s Commission.
 - **Correspondence**
 - From Judge Silverman Katz regarding court budget – the letter was reviewed
 - From Camden County JIF regard 2020 Dividend – the information was reported
 - **Annual Awards Dinner** – there will be no dinner this year.
- FLOOR OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** – Mayor Kennedy opened the floor to the Public for comments or questions on any item appearing on the Agenda, or any other issues they may have. Hearing none, he closed the meeting to the public.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – the next meeting for the Borough of Pine Valley will be held Tuesday, December 15, 2020, 4 pm in the Borough Hall.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – motion by Commissioner Kennedy at 4:3 pm, was seconded by Commissioner Clark with all in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn T. Amadio, RMC
Municipal Clerk