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4	Monday, June 13, 2016	
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10	DUNMORE COMMUNITY CENTER 1414 Monroe Avenue	
11	Dunmore, Pennsylvania	
12	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	
13	MICHAEL MCHALE, President	
14	MICHAEL DEMPSEY, Vice President	
15	VINCE AMICO	
16	TIMOTHY BURKE	
17	CAROL SCRIMALLI	
18	THOMAS HALLINAN	ļ
19	SAL VERRASTRO	
20	THOMAS P. CUMMINGS, Esquire, Solicitor	
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20	OFFICIAL COURT REFORTER	

1	(Pledge of Allegiance.)
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4	MR. MCHALE: Roll call.
5	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Miss Scrimalli.
6	MS. SCRIMALLI: Present.
7	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Mr. Burke.
8	MR. BURKE: Present.
9	ATTY. CUMMINGS. Mr. Verrastro.
10	MR. VERRASTRO: Present.
11	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Mr. Amico.
12	MR. AMICO: Present.
13	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Mr. Hallinan.
14	MR. HALLINAN: Here.
15	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Mr. Dempsey.
16	MR. DEMPSEY: Present.
17	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Mr. McHale.
18	MR. MCHALE: Here.
19	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Public comment on
20	agenda items.
21	MR. MCHALE: Anybody like to address
22	Council on agenda items tonight?
23	(No response.)
24	MR. MCHALE: Seeing none.
25	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Motion to approve

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1	the minutes.
2	MR. BURKE: I'll make that motion.
3	MS. SCRIMALLI: I'll second that.
4	MR. MCHALE: I have a motion and a
5	second. On the question.
6	(No response.)
7	MR. MCHALE: All those in favor
8	signify by saying aye.
9	ALL MEMBERS: Aye.
10	MR. MCHALE: Opposed?
11	(No response.)
12	MR. MCHALE: The ayes have it and so
13	moved.
14	(No response.)
15	ATTY. CUMMINGS: Motion to approve
16	and pay the open bills.
17	MR. DEMPSEY: I'll make that motion.
18	MR. MCHALE: I have a motion. Do I
19	have a second?
20	MR. VERRASTRO: I'll second it.
21	MR. MCHALE: I have a motion and a
22	second. On the question.
23	(No response.)
24	MR. MCHALE: All those in favor
25	signify by saying aye.

1 ALL MEMBERS: Aye. 2 MR. MCHALE: Opposed? (No response.) 3 MR. MCHALE: The ayes have it and so 4 5 moved. ATTY. CUMMINGS: 6 Number six, 7 personnel matters, there's a list of personnel 8 to be hired on a temporary basis for summer 9 program and maintenance. They are grass Joshua Goldman, Michael Kolcharno, 10 cutting: Matthew Murray, Corey Sullivan, Riley Sullivan. 11 12 SUMMER CAMPS: Rachael Alunni, Jack Boland, Kylie Brazil, Kyle Cruser, Bridget 13 14 Ehnot, Jessica Frick, Richard Grippi, Sam Hanni, Robert Judge, Cory Klatt, Mia Lowe, 15 16 Connor McLaine, Bridge Miller, Matthew Murphy, 17 Marina Pegula, Joseph Perry, Emily Pinto, Ross 18 Scalese, Margaret Scalzo, Kayleigh Semion, Mark 19 Sinkevich, Nicolo Summa, Paul Taylor, Tiffany 20 McKenna, Cori Pietruszkiewicz. That will 21 require a motion and second and a vote. 22 MS. SCRIMALLI: I'll make that 23 motion. 24 MR. HALLINAN: I'll second it. 25 MR. MCHALE: I have a motion and

1 second. On the question. 2 (No response.) 3 MR. MCHALE: All those in favor 4 signify by saying aye. 5 ALL MEMBERS: Aye. MR. MCHALE: Opposed? 6 7 (No response.) 8 MR. MCHALE: The ayes have it and so 9 moved. ATTY. CUMMINGS: Item number seven 10 11 is public comment on nonagenda items. 12 MR. MCHALE: Anybody like to address 13 Council tonight? 14 ATTY. CUMMINGS: Gerard. MR. MCHALE: Gerard, please. 15 Sorry, 16 Gary. 17 MR. HETMAN: Good evening as always, 18 ladies and gentlemen, Gerard Hetman from Lackawanna County. To begin this evening we're 19 20 at the time of the year when our Area Agency on 21 Aging does their farmers market voucher distribution for senior citizens. So we will 22 23 leave the schedule with you for the 24 distribution run for this year. It runs from June 22nd is the first 25

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distribution date at the North Pocono Senior

Center. The last one is Wednesday, July 13th

at the Jewish Community Center in Scranton.

The dates for the Dunmore Senior Center is

Friday, July 8th. And distribution begins 9:00

in the morning at each of the sites listed here

and continues until the supply of vouchers is

exhausted for that location.

Individuals who live in the county could go to any distribution sites. It doesn't have to be the one nearest to them. But they could only go to one and get their vouchers.

They can't go multiple vouchers at multiple locations.

If the person can't make it themselves in person, they could fill out what we call a proxy form and we'll leave an example with you. And the proxy form allows someone else to pick up their vouchers for them with the person's permission.

So again, the staff here received this information from the Area Agency on Aging but we also mention it to Council because I'm sure a lot of us get questions on this and it just helps to know when these things are

available for your neighbors.

We always see a good run here at the Dunmore Senior Center for folks who get the vouchers. So we're glad the program makes a difference in the community.

We have a couple events coming up this week. The first is our fourth annual Lackawanna County Job Fair, Thursday, June 16th, 1 to 5 p.m., at PNC Field. It's very similar drill to what we've done in past years We have approximately 50 to 60 local employers come in.

It changes every year because some employers from past years that fill up their quotas and aren't hiring in a big way whereas other employers start up where they have a hiring run so they ask us to get on board. So it's different every year.

We see a range of companies. They bring not only full-time positions but also part time seasonal and internship opportunities. So this is a great opportunity not just for folks looking for a full-time job but also people who are seeking an internship for the summer as a student or maybe a retiree

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or a student looking for a part time gig for the summer or longer. Free parking and it's open to the public. Anyone looking for any type of employment opportunity, that's a great resource.

Also this is public safety side, the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy will host a class at the County Center for public safety on Saturday, September 10th. The title of the course is the First Responder Safety Training For Natural Gas Vehicles and Fuelling stations. Trying to teach firefighters and other EMS personnel how to battle fires in vehicles that are powered by natural gas and at fuelling stations that provide natural gas for vehicle fuel.

We see that now more and more and more in society locally and around the world. It's a really useful training to have. And I don't see a cost on here. So I believe that means it's free. Normally they will tell us when there is a cost.

And just lastly, the latest library lecture series installment is coming up. It will be Tuesday, July 19th at 7:00 p.m. at the

Cultural Center. And I mention particularly here because the author is a woman named Piper Kerman. And I believe she's a former drug trafficker who did time in prison and is now an author.

And her book is titled Orange Is The New Black. And it's got a pretty good pop culture following. So it should be one of the more interesting lectures that they have among many good ones. That's all I have for my remarks. We'll see you later in the summer and I believe --

MR. KEARNEY: What was the date on the voucher?

MR. HETMAN: Oh, for this center is July 8th actually is the date for the Dunmore Center.

MR. KEARNEY: Thank you.

MR. HETMAN: The 22nd of June will be the first one at North Pocono. And then there is one at each of the Senior Centers in the county going down to July 13th at the JCC.

The one here is obviously closest for most of your residents will be July 8th, Friday.

1 MR. KEARNEY: Thank you. 2 MR. HETMAN: That's all we have. 3 Thank you, folks. MS. SCRIMALLI: Thank you. 4 5 MR. MCHALE: Thank you, Gerard. Mr. Duncan. 6 7 MR. DUNCAN: Gary Duncan, 117 8 Barton Street, Dunmore, just a quick one. 9 Everybody got the minutes from the last 10 neighborhood watch meeting? I see heads 11 nodding. Sal? 12 MR. VERRASTRO: I actually did not 13 again. 14 MR. DUNCAN: All right. I'll resend them later. Double-check your e-mail again, 15 16 okay? Make sure you're getting it. I hate to 17 tell you where it may be going. Do you have 18 your dad's account? MR. VERRASTRO: I shouldn't. 19 20 MR. DUNCAN: Okay. Let me get your 21 e-mail to make sure. And I'll resend it again, 22 And maybe that's where it's going. I okay? 23 have everybody's e-mail. I apologize. I'll 24 get it to you though tonight. We'll talk after 25 the meeting.

There is a neighborhood watch meeting a week today, June the 20th, 7:00. It will be here. And just for the record, I just to let everybody know, IRS scams are starting up again. Some of the neighbors got five calls on a Friday, another Saturday.

This time they are coming from a lady and, you know, the usual you owe money. So, you know, call this number just so the public is aware. And that's really it. I hope to see everybody next Monday night. I'll get your e-mail.

MS. SCRIMALLI: Thank you.

MR. BURKE: Thank you.

MR. MCHALE: Anybody else like to address Council tonight?

(No response.)

MR. MCHALE: Seeing none.

ATTY. CUMMINGS: Public officials.

MR. MCHALE: Chris, do you have anything tonight?

MR. KEARNEY: Yeah, I just wanted to -- I put it on our Facebook. We have now opened for the summer 11:00 down here.

MR. MCHALE: 10:00.

MR. KEARNEY: 10:00, sorry. And we'll continue that throughout the summer until it ends. That's it.

MR. MCHALE: Thank you. Mr. Judge?

MR. JUDGE: Nothing.

MR. MCHALE: Chief Marchese?

CHIEF MARCHESE: Nothing.

MR. MCHALE: Chief DeNaples?

CHIEF DENAPLES: Just a few brief items. We had the Clay Avenue fire on June 1st right over here on the 1300 block of Clay Avenue. It was a successful operation. There was no injuries of any responders or any firefighters or the public which was a good thing.

It was knocked down pretty quick so it was extinguished fairly quick for the size of the building and the hazards that encompass that. So I just want to say thank you to all our firefighters and our police and the mutual aid departments and EMS departments that helped us out there.

And the only other thing I wanted to bring up is, there is a program through the American Red Cross to install smoke detectors

in the residences. They usually do about 300, 375 roughly on like a Saturday. So that was the most they ever got done. So a representative from the American Red Cross reached out to me.

And he would like to get something going between us and Penn State Worthington.

There's a couple students up there that would like to do the program with us. So the fire department, some students from Penn State Worthington, and the American Red Cross and they would supply them all, you know, canvass areas and go out and actually install them, you know, help the residents install them.

And there is no number on them. So, you know, if somebody needed five smoke detectors in their house, they will be able to get five. Where through the Operation Save a Life, it's usually two per household.

That's the one we get the week of fire prevention. So that is something I just wanted to bring up to you guys. It's in the works. And hopefully we'll be able to get it going at the end of this month or the beginning of July. So that's an important thing.

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And the parking we're looking at possibly looking at -- explore the options for firefighter parking on the Keystone Court side of the firehouse. That's between the housing -- Lackawanna County Housing and the firehouse.

So if we can look into that and maybe get four or five spots there and get some posting for it, I think it will alleviate a lot of the congestion in the back parking lot between the police and fire, you know, that shift change it gets pretty congested in there.

MR. MCHALE: Is the tractor-trailer gone?

CHIEF DENAPLES: That's going to be moved within the next 48 hours. The gentleman I spoke with him a couple times. And I recently spoke with him this morning. And he said within the next 48 hours he'll have it out of there. He's been extremely busy. So that storage truck and trailer will both be out of there.

MR. MCHALE: Tom, do we need some type of an ordinance to pass -- it's off street parking -- that we can put signs up for

1 firefighter parking on that side? 2 ATTY. CUMMINGS: You already have 3 the ordinance. I think just a motion would be 4 appropriate. MR. MCHALE: I'll look for a motion. 5 MR. HALLINAN: Yeah, I'll make that 6 7 motion because I was talking to Joe Lorince 8 about it today. And I think we were looking at 9 maybe four parking spots which still wouldn't 10 interfere with anything else down to the first 11 home on Keystone. So I would make a motion 12 that we put in four fire parking slots for the 13 firemen. 14 MS. SCRIMALLI: I'll second that. MR. MCHALE: I have a motion and a 15 16 Mr. Judge, will you be able to get second. 17 with Chief and order some signs to his liking? 18 MR. JUDGE: Absolutely. 19 MR. MCHALE: As long as it's okay with Chief --20 21 MR. JUDGE: We got the other signs 22 Did you see them? up today. 23 MR. MCHALE: Yes. I saw them. 24 CHIEF DENAPLES: Thank you. 25 MR. MCHALE: Anybody else on the

question? 1 2 (No response.) 3 MR. MCHALE: All those in favor 4 signify by saying aye. 5 ALL MEMBERS: Aye. Opposed? MR. MCHALE: 6 7 (No response.) 8 MR. MCHALE: The ayes have it and so 9 moved. Anything else, Chris? CHIEF DENAPLES: That's it. Thank 10 11 you. 12 MR. MCHALE: Thank you again for everything over there. I spoke to Chief. I 13 14 think everybody on Council was a little bit nervous about that fire. Specifically that it 15 16 was so close to the kids and the kids did --17 they cancelled Little League that night just 18 out of fear of anybody going into it. 19 And I understand you parked some 20 firefighters there and anybody who has been up 21 there, the building is already knocked down. 22 So kudos to you and your men. And thank you 23 for keeping the kids informed, keeping us 24 informed to make sure the kids are safe.

Vince, do you want to lead us off?

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ATTY. CUMMINGS: I apologize, I neglected on the personnel motion to note that the hirees are subject to appropriate background verification.

MR. MCHALE: Yep. Absolutely.

Thank you, Mr. Cummings. Do you have anything else, Tom?

ATTY. CUMMINGS: No, sir.

MR. MCHALE: Mr. Amico, do you want to lead us off tonight?

MR. AMICO: Yeah, I have one thing. We have been receiving e-mails from Lackawanna County Recycling Office of Environmental Sustainability. I just wanted to reiterate that as far as TVs or electronics, we have Borough and Lackawanna County residents have until June 30th to be able to bring your recyclables down to either the Recycling Center or I spoke with Mr. Judge earlier.

He said there would be a can at the Borough lot. But you have until June 30th to bring your TVs, large electronics down free of charge. After June 30th, it's on the owner to pay. I know for me, for example, I have 32 inch old school tube TV that I need to get rid

happen?

of that probably weighs a hundred pounds.

So if I don't get it down in two weeks, it's going to cost me \$100 to get rid of it. And again, after June 30th, it's on you.

And a woman -- Miss Giovagnoli who is in charge of this department stressed that the electronics need to be the way you bought them.

The cord has to be on them. You can't disassemble them. They have to be intact. So even if you have a console television from your basement, you can't take the TV out of the cabinet. It has to go in whole. And then it will be free. And again, after June 30th, it's on you.

And is that -- is everything squared away as far as your end, Mr. Judge, just bring it to the lot -- the Borough --

MR. JUDGE: We can get a can.

MR. AMICO: Can you guys make that

MR. JUDGE: Is that what you guys want to do? Mike, we have to put it in the building because these things can't be wet.

They can't be -- like you said, the cords can't be off them. We can get a smaller can, like a

1 20 yard can and put it right inside the --MR. MCHALE: Didge, don't we have 2 the cans that we never did anything with? 3 MR. JUDGE: Yeah, we can even just 4 5 use them up the back and pull them right down and have the kids sit there because they'll be 6 7 throwing everything in. 8 ATTY. CUMMINGS: If I may interject, 9 you need to set a specific time and a specific 10 day. You have to have employees on site. You 11 have to have clean, dry, protected and not contaminated. And you have make sure whoever 12 13 comes in has identification they are in deed 14 from the Borough of Dunmore. You could get inundated quite 15 16 quickly if it's not run properly. And it could 17 be rejected if it's not clean or dry. 18 MR. JUDGE: What is the date on it, Tom? 19 ATTY. CUMMINGS: The end date is the 20 21 last day in June. You do not want to go into 22 the last day. 23 MR. JUDGE: No. 24 MR. AMICO: Well, Mr. Judge, if you 25 think it's -- to be honest with you, if it's

going to be too much of an inconvenience to get it started, I know we only have two weeks. We can just have the residents bring it right down to the Recycling Center, whatever you guys think.

MR. MCHALE: That's the easiest.

MR. JUDGE: They're popping up all over the place. They are dumping them all over, the fields, yards at night. People can't get rid of them. It's up to you guys. You want me to get a can, I'll get a can.

MR. DEMPSEY: I think we should just have them -- and too late of a notice I think.

MR. JUDGE: You think?

MR. HALLINAN: Yeah, by the time you get it out there.

MR. DEMPSEY: Because especially they'll start putting out the ones that are broken and the cords will be gone and we're going to be stuck with all of them.

MR. JUDGE: I'd say we tell them put them out and we'd pick them up but that will get out of hand. That will be --

MR. MCHALE: Yeah.

MR. AMICO: I think that will cause

a lot of work on you. I think people will take 1 advantage of that, you know. 2 3 MR. DEMPSEY: Maybe we can try something for next year. 4 5 MR. AMICO: There probably won't be 6 a next --MR. DEMPSEY: 7 Oh, this is it? 8 MR. AMICO: June 30th, that's why I 9 just want to make it as easy as possible for 10 residents and then, you know, unfortunately it's on them after June 30th. 11 12 MR. MCHALE: Kyle, can you put 13 something in the paper about how important this is, June 30th, in one of the little blurbs on 14 the small left side column that the date's 15 16 coming up? They have to be a Lackawanna County 17 resident. And they have to prove it. Maybe if you could do one of those little reminders, 18 19 fillers, that would be great. Anything else, Mr. Amico? 20 21 MR. AMICO: No. Thank you. 22 MR. MCHALE: Mr. Hallinan. 23 MR. HALLINAN: I would like to say 24 thank you to the DPW for the lot you did up 25 Your men -- that's -- we're ready to go. here.

Now we just have to fill it with vendors and we have a few on tap. June 25th is the opening day.

MR. JUDGE: We should do it with this lot over here, clean it up.

MR. HALLINAN: Well, I don't know whose it is. And also if anybody noticed the new school speed limit signs are up by Holy Cross just in time for the school year to end. But at least they will be there for next season. And the state put them in. The old ones are still flashing. They'll have to take them down. That's all I have. Thank you, Mr. McHale.

MR. MCHALE: Yeah, Tommy, just to reiterate. That was the one thing I was going to say too happy to see that those flashing school zone lights are there. I'm sure Mrs. Perry -- that was something that she was begging for for five years. That was a very nice thing to see. I'm glad that they've made that a priority. Mr. Dempsey.

MR. DEMPSEY: Real quick. Great idea, Chief, I don't know if anybody noticed -- Gary, I'm sure you'll like this. We have cops

on bikes now. We had our bikes serviced. And now they are out. The neighbors seem to love it. I think they got a standing ovation going down Willow Street. So if you see them on the bikes, do not be afraid to engage them. That's what they're there for to hear about it.

If you need to talk to them and let them know what is going on. I think that was a great idea. So great job there, Chief. Chief DeNaples, great job with that fire again.

CHIEF DENAPLES: Thank you.

MR. DEMPSEY: Hopefully, it's a little bit longer for the next one.

CHIEF DENAPLES: If ever. And my just condolences to the -- as I'm sure everybody on Council to the victims in Orlando. That's all I have for tonight.

MR. MCHALE: Absolutely.
Mrs. Scrimalli.

MS. SCRIMALLI: I would just like to also thank Chief and your team for the great work you did on the Clay Avenue fire. And again, the Summer Program I believe the date that is starting is July 6th, is it?

MR. MCHALE: Actually, Chris?

MR. KEARNEY: June 27th, that way we'll avoid the conflict up at Sherwood because of picnic and Bible camp.

MS. SCRIMALLI: Great. June 27th then and thank you for all your hard work too, Chris. That's all I have for tonight. Thank you very much.

MR. MCHALE: Thanks Carol. Mr. Burke?

MR. BURKE: Yes. I got a few calls about burning in the backyard. I talked to Joe about it. Is there only a certain kind of wood that they can burn?

MR. LORINCE: Yeah, there's no opening burning. And our ordinance says no open burning, period.

MR. BURKE: So even that stuff that doesn't give off the smoke?

MR. LORINCE: Yeah, nobody is going to bother you with the stuff you buy from Price Chopper, the logs there that doesn't give off smoke or anything. It's the people that are getting brush and getting leaves and putting them in and garbage and have a big fire.

 ${\sf MR.}$ BURKE: If something gets out of

1	control with something like that then they call
2	Chief?
3	MR. LORINCE: Yeah, goes out a lot
4	of times and puts the fire out.
5	MR. MCHALE: Or that Chief. You
6	follow up, right, if some is out burning?
7	CHIEF MARCHESE: I'll go.
8	MR. LORINCE: Fire department just
9	puts it out.
10	MR. MCHALE: It's criminal is my
11	point.
12	MR. Lorince: Tell them next time
13	we'll cite them for it.
14	MR. MCHALE: Exactly.
15	MR. BURKE: I was also talking to
16	Joe. We had a situation with zoning where Joe
17	told me about that we go over some of the
18	zoning rules that haven't been done in quite a
19	while.
20	MR. LORINCE: 16, 17 we started
21	about 19 years ago. It's about 19 years old.
22	MR. BURKE: If you could give us an
23	update on that, Joe, when you want to get that
24	going.
25	MR. LORINCE: We're working with

1	SAPA. SAPA, once they get all of their plans
2	done then we are going to get grant money so we
3	can, you know, do our zoning ordinance.
4	MS. SCRIMALLI: Buddy up with
5	another municipality and
6	MR. LORINCE: Yeah, you're going to
7	end up
8	MS. SCRIMALLI: The same
9	MR. LORINCE: Municipalities, like,
10	putting everything together.
11	MR. BURKE: Thanks, Joe. That's all
12	I have.
13	MR. MCHALE: Thank you, Tim.
14	Mr. Verrastro.
15	MR. VERRASTRO: I don't have
16	anything tonight.
17	MR. MCHALE: Do you have one more
18	thing?
19	MR. HALLINAN: Yeah, Didge, we got
20	in touch so the residents know about the brush
21	cutter that Lackawanna County is going to let
22	us borrow.
23	MR. JUDGE: We called them the other
24	day.
25	MR. HALLINAN: So I mean there are a

1 couple concerned citizens on Meade Street and 2 wherever that it's starting overgrow and you 3 have a few areas. 4 MR. JUDGE: Probably going to do 5 Montage with it first. He called me, probably sometime next week. 6 7 MR. HALLINAN: Again, we're not going to be until July, so I just wanted to get 8 it out there for the people to understand it 9 will be done within the next couple of weeks 10 11 when they let us use it. Thank you. 12 MR. MCHALE: Thanks, Tom. I have 13 nothing further. I'll look for a motion to 14 adjourn. MR. DEMPSEY: 15 Motion. MR. MCHALE: So moved. Second? 16 17 MR. VERRASTRO: Second. 18 MR. MCHALE: All in favor. ALL MEMBERS: Aye. 19 20 MR. MCHALE: We're adjourned. 21 22 23 24 25

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