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COUNCIL FOR THE BOROUGH OF DUNMORE

HELD:

Monday, September 9, 2024

TIME:

6:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

DUNMORE COMMUNITY CENTER
1414 Monroe Avenue
Dunmore, Pennsylvania

C O U N C I L M E M B E R S :

- JANET BRIER - President
- KATHERINE OVEN - Vice President
- MICHAEL DEMPSEY
- THOMAS HALLINAN
- ELIZABETH ZANGARDI
- WILLIAM O'MALLEY, III - absent
- PATRICK LOUGHNEY
- GREG WOLFF, Borough Manager
- MICHAEL P. PERRY, Esquire, Solicitor

MICHELLE SMOLSKIS
OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

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(Pledge of Allegiance.)

MS. BRIER: And before we start, of course Wednesday is 9/11, so just a moment of silence.

(Moment of silence.)

MS. BRIER: Okay. Thanks everybody.
All right.

MR. WOLFF: Roll call. Mayor Conway.

MAYOR CONWAY: Here.

MR. WOLFF: Mr. Loughney.

MR. LOUGHNEY: Here.

MR. WOLFF: Mr. Dempsey.

MR. DEMPSEY: Here.

MR. WOLFF: Mr. O'Malley is absent.
Mrs. Brier.

MS. BRIER: Here.

MR. WOLFF: Ms. Mackrell Oven.

MS. OVEN: Here.

MR. WOLFF: Mrs. Zangardi.

MS. ZANGARDI: Here.

MR. WOLFF: Mr. Hallinan.

1 MR. HALLINAN: Here.

2 MR. WOLFF: Number three, public
3 comment on agenda items.

4 MS. BRIER: Does anyone have a
5 public comment on the agenda items only at this
6 time?

7 (No response.)

8 MS. BRIER: I think we're good,
9 Greg.

10 MR. WOLFF: Okay. Number four,
11 motion to approve the August 12, 2024 meeting
12 minutes.

13 MS. BRIER: All right. I'd like to
14 get a motion to approve the August 12, 2024
15 meeting minutes.

16 MS. OVEN: I'll make a motion.

17 MR. DEMPSEY: Second.

18 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a
19 second. Anyone on the question?

20 MR. LOUGHNEY: I'll abstain. I
21 missed that meeting.

22 MS. BRIER: Okay. All those in
23 favor?

24 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

25 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

1 (No response.)

2 MR. WOLFF: Number five, motion to
3 approve and pay open bills.

4 MS. BRIER: Okay. I need a motion
5 to approve and pay the open bills.

6 MR. HALLINAN: I'll make that
7 motion.

8 MS. BRIER: Can I have a second?

9 MS. OVEN: I'll second.

10 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a
11 second. Anyone on the question?

12 (No response.)

13 MS. BRIER: Seeing none. All those
14 in favor?

15 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

16 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 MR. WOLFF: Number six, motion to
19 approve license of Electric Street to the
20 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of
21 Environmental Protection to complete the
22 Meadowbrook Flood Protection Project.

23 MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to
24 approve license of Electric Street to the
25 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of

1 Environmental Protection to complete the
2 Meadowbrook Flood Protection Project?

3 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll make that
4 motion.

5 MR. DEMPSEY: Second.

6 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a
7 second. On the question, Greg, can you just
8 explain that a little bit?

9 ATTY. PERRY: I'll do it.

10 MS. BRIER: Okay. Thanks.

11 ATTY. PERRY: This is a cooperative
12 agreement that the Borough signed with the city
13 to work together with DEP on the Meadowbrook
14 Flood Protection Program.

15 So, this licensing agreement allows
16 DEP to do what they need to do on Electric
17 Street and under Electric Street to go forward
18 with the flood project.

19 MS. BRIER: Okay. Thanks, Mickey.
20 Do we have any other comments?

21 (No response.)

22 MS. BRIER: All those in favor?

23 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

24 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

25 (No response.)

1 MR. WOLFF: Number seven, motion to
2 approve Sara Grande as a part-time employee to
3 cook for the concession stand at Schautz
4 Stadium.

5 MS. BRIER: Okay. Could I have a
6 motion to approve Sara Grande as a part-time
7 employee?

8 MR. DEMPSEY: So moved.

9 MR. LOUGHNEY: Second.

10 MS. BRIER: Okay. So, we have a
11 motion and a second. Mike, do you want to just
12 talk about this?

13 MR. DEMPSEY: Oh, yeah. Sure. On
14 the question. Sara is going to be cooking at
15 Schautz. We have DGR there every Sunday.
16 She's going to be there around 11 a.m. and work
17 until about 5, 5:30 p.m.

18 There's a million kids up there, I
19 don't know if anybody drove by this week, but
20 we did pretty well this week at the stand.

21 She's an executive chef, she has all
22 of her licenses. She's fantastic. She's been
23 involved in the community for years. She used
24 to cook down at the little league and make her
25 famous wing bites, which she's going to have, I

1 believe, next week.

2 So, it's something that's been
3 sorely missed at Schautz because we have a
4 state of the art kitchen up there that nobody
5 uses, and we've all been trying to get somebody
6 to do it for years, so finally we have Sara.

7 So, she's going to be there every
8 Sunday from 11 a.m. until about 5, 6:00 p.m.
9 We're lucky to have her and can't wait to see.

10 MS. BRIER: Yes, it's great. We're
11 thrilled that she agreed to do this for us.
12 So, all those in favor?

13 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

14 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

15 (No response.)

16 MR. WOLFF: Number eight, motion to
17 appoint Sarah Brodowsky as a part-time
18 firefighter.

19 MS. BRIER: Okay. I'd like to have
20 a motion to appoint Sara Brodowsky as a
21 part-time firefighter.

22 MS. OVEN: I'll make the motion.

23 MR. HALLINAN: I'll second it.

24 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a
25 second. On the question?

1 MR. WOLFF: Yeah. Sarah Brodowsky
2 was approved by the Chief, they did the
3 background check, so she will be the part-time
4 as-needed status.

5 MS. BRIER: That's great. We need
6 that. All those in favor?

7 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

8 MS. BRIER: Okay. Opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 MR. WOLFF: Number nine, motion to
11 promote Justin Taffera to the classification of
12 truck driver with the DPW.

13 MS. BRIER: Can I have a motion to
14 promote Justin Taffera to the classification of
15 truck driver with the DPW?

16 MR. HALLINAN: I'll make that
17 motion.

18 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll second.

19 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a
20 second. On the question?

21 MR. WOLFF: We had a driver leave, a
22 CDL driver, leave in the springtime.
23 Mr. Taffera was good enough to step up. He
24 kind of got us out of a bind and got a CDL. So
25 we had the opening and Justin applied and meets

1 all the requirements.

2 MS. BRIER: Great. All those in
3 favor?

4 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

5 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 MR. WOLFF: Number ten, motion to
8 approve the 2024 paving project with Pennsy
9 Supply in the amount of \$538,910.95.

10 MS. BRIER: Okay. Can I have a
11 motion to approve the 2024 paving project to
12 Pennsy Supply in the amount of \$538,910.95?

13 MR. DEMPSEY: I'll make that motion
14 but it's pending any sort of reduction that we
15 see fit once we figure out what the liquid
16 fuels situation is, and I think we budgeted
17 \$100,000 to this project.

18 MR. WOLFF: Correct.

19 MR. DEMPSEY: So, I'll make that
20 motion but I want it subject to any
21 subtractions that we would need to make to fit
22 our financial budget.

23 MS. BRIER: Thanks, Mike. So we
24 have a motion. Can I have a second?

25 MR. LOUGHNEY: Second.

1 MS. BRIER: Yes. You know, we have
2 a list, a paving list, paving is incredibly
3 expensive, and we can use some of our liquid
4 fuels funds but not all, so we really have to
5 look at this a little bit closer.

6 We did not anticipate that it would
7 come in this high, and this was the lowest
8 bidder. We had how many bids, Greg, three?

9 MR. WOLFF: A total of three.

10 MS. BRIER: Three. Yeah.

11 MR. WOLFF: This was roughly \$80,000
12 less than the next highest.

13 MS. BRIER: Than the next highest,
14 yeah. So, it's a tough situation. But,
15 anyway, I have a motion and a second. All
16 those in favor?

17 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

18 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

19 (No response.)

20 MR. WOLFF: Number eleven, treasurer
21 financial report. Mark.

22 MR. BURTON: Good evening, Council.
23 Brief analysis for the month of August. As
24 anticipated and budgeted, we had a large
25 monthly loss for the month of August, a net

1 loss of 1.7 million dollars, again, to the
2 details shortly, which brings our year-to-date
3 net income \$575,000.

4 On the income side, real estate
5 remains slow in the summer as usual. Business
6 license and permits, we received a \$50,000
7 second quarter Comcast franchise fees and
8 miscellaneous revenues of \$13,000 from Express
9 Scripts for our second quarter of '24 rebate.

10 On the expense side, it was a three
11 pay period month of August. The police did
12 \$25,000 installment for the body cams and
13 \$19,000 for the arbitrator's fee, and the big
14 expense was the 1.3 million dollar debt
15 principal, 1.2 million dollars towards the debt
16 and \$104,000 towards the interest. That's the
17 one time annual fee that we pay for our bond
18 issue, so that's completed for the year, the
19 biggest expense we had.

20 MS. BRIER: Mark, we paid 27,400 to
21 Braddock Excavating?

22 MR. BURTON: That was for the three
23 blighted properties.

24 MS. BRIER: Oh. Oh, okay. That's
25 good. And so they're done?

1 MR. WOLFF: They're done.

2 MS. OVEN: They're gone, yeah.

3 MS. BRIER: Okay.

4 MR. HALLINAN: And, Mark, this 1.7
5 that, you know, we took in this as loss, that
6 happens every year and then we'll balance out
7 towards the end of the year, correct?

8 MR. BURTON: Correct.

9 MR. HALLINAN: Yeah. It's not like
10 we're --

11 MR. BURTON: In March we might have
12 had a two million dollar surplus, so it'll --

13 MS. OVEN: Even out.

14 MR. HALLINAN: We'll straighten
15 ourselves out.

16 MR. BURTON: Yeah.

17 MR. HALLINAN: Thank you.

18 MS. BRIER: Thanks, Mark.

19 MR. WOLFF: Chris.

20 MR. KEARNEY: These past several
21 weeks we've just seen a continuation of the
22 party rentals in this room and a resumption of
23 the basketball practices in the gym for the
24 elementary school teams. Bidy basketball has
25 scheduled their player evaluations and coaches

1 meetings beginning the first week of October,
2 so that's going to be starting up again soon.

3 The Indo-American community has
4 scheduled their annual fall events here the
5 first and second weekends of October. They've
6 been doing that for the past several years.
7 They rent the whole place and they pay for it.
8 So, that's kind of a big deal, and it's really
9 busy here.

10 And then the seniors are also having
11 their purse bingo Sunday, October 6th, the day
12 after this thing. So that's going to be a
13 little hectic.

14 So, because of all these events,
15 I've scheduled the annual floor finishing in
16 mid October, but last year we had to schedule
17 it earlier and then they were coming in and
18 kind of, didn't wreck it, but this way we'll
19 let them wreck the floor and then we can
20 refinish it so --

21 MS. BRIER: Is the purse bingo in
22 here or over there?

23 MR. KEARNEY: It's both.

24 MS. BRIER: Both? Okay.

25 MR. KEARNEY: Yeah. All these

1 things are all over the place.

2 MS. BRIER: Okay.

3 MR. KEARNEY: Okay?

4 MS. OVEN: Wow, that's great.

5 MR. KEARNEY: Yeah. And that's all

6 I have.

7 ALL MEMBERS: Thanks, Chris.

8 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Judge.

9 MR. JUDGE: How's it going? Going
10 as usual, patching and paving and picking
11 garbage, you know? So what else could I say?
12 If you have a pothole or anything on your
13 street, call the DPW, we'll get them
14 straightened out. Okay?

15 ALL MEMBERS: Thanks, Didgy.

16 MR. WOLFF: Chief Marchese is
17 absent. Chief DeNaples.

18 CHIEF DENAPLES: Good evening,
19 Council. I'll start out with the fire
20 department report, move into the code
21 enforcement.

22 So we don't have any projected high
23 expenditures this month for September. About
24 the highest one at this point is \$275 to
25 replace a 50-foot section of fire hose that

1 needs to be replaced.

2 As far as overtime, when this report
3 was completed on the 6th, we had 240 hours of
4 overtime scheduled for the month of September.
5 So that goes from the first right to the end of
6 the month as of this time. Fifty-three
7 part-time shifts were put out.

8 As far as events that the fire
9 department is going to participate in is the
10 last junior bucks football game, EMS standby on
11 September 29th, from 11:45 until about 4,
12 approximately, we're down there.

13 As far as the new part-time hires,
14 the one part timer completed his orientation
15 about a week or so ago and has been placed on
16 the schedule. He picked up quite a bit of time
17 from when he got signed off to work.

18 He went through the orientation
19 fairly quick, he put a lot of time in, so it
20 wasn't sporadic.

21 The other part-time firefighter who
22 come back, he was a part timer at one time, he
23 requested to come back, so June 11th he
24 started. He's only putting about one shift a
25 month in, so it's probably going to take

1 forever unless that picks up, as far as his
2 availability for the overtime -- or the
3 orientation time.

4 So, I'm excited to get Sarah
5 started. The training officer is back to work
6 on the 15th, so I'll notify her tomorrow and
7 we'll start the orientation as soon as he comes
8 back based on her availability. So, that's
9 pretty much it as far as that goes.

10 As far as the calls from September
11 1st to today at the close of business, 5:00, we
12 had 15 total responses. Eight emergency
13 medical services and rescue-type calls,
14 hazardous materials was two, good intent calls
15 was two, false alarms and fire alarms was two,
16 special-type incidents was one. That's where
17 the 15 came.

18 I just wanted to acknowledge Chris
19 Rinaldi. He did a great job. He was up in the
20 area of that bus accident and he pulled that
21 bus driver off. And the police department, I
22 believe Sergeant Igoe and some of his second
23 shift staff were up there quick, and by the
24 time the fire department got up there, they had
25 already had the AED on him and they assisted

1 with some emergency care.

2 But if that all didn't happen that
3 quick, that man probably wouldn't have had the
4 outcome he had, and the doctor from
5 Pennsylvania Ambulance was on scene there and
6 he even acknowledged then when he came back to
7 the firehouse to get his -- we brought his
8 vehicle back, he went in the ambulance, and he
9 acknowledged that.

10 So, I just wanted to congratulate
11 the folks. And I believe Chris's wife was on
12 there and helped that, helped stopping the bus
13 and that, so great job on that. I just wanted
14 to mention that.

15 MS. BRIER: Thank you.

16 CHIEF DENAPLES: As far as the code
17 enforcement, there was 12 scheduled inspections
18 from the first until today when Gene ran the
19 numbers. A couple of them, a handful of them
20 are reinspections.

21 So that's pretty much all I have if
22 there's no questions. Thank you.

23 ALL MEMBERS: Thank you, Chief.

24 MR. WOLFF: Number thirteen, public
25 comment.

1 MS. BRIER: Does anyone in the
2 public have a comment tonight? Sure. Just
3 state your name and address. Just come up so
4 she can hear you.

5 JIM O'MALLEY: My name is Jim
6 O'Malley. I'm a resident of Dunmore. I'm here
7 tonight representing Dunmore little league on a
8 land issue with the Borough.

9 MS. BRIER: Where do you live, Jim?

10 JIM O'MALLEY: 802 Cooney Street.

11 MS. BRIER: Thank you.

12 JIM O'MALLEY: So, just to kind of
13 give everyone a back story that I'm sure
14 doesn't know, Dunmore little league was moved
15 from the complex where the high school is now
16 to where it currently sits some 20-odd years
17 ago.

18 The little league, recently we paid
19 off a loan that they had taken out originally
20 to build the complex and come to find out once
21 we paid it off that we're not really sure who
22 owns the property. Right now it is still
23 borough property.

24 MS. BRIER: Right. So, you're
25 pretty sure that --

1 JIM O'MALLEY: Yeah. Yeah.

2 MR. DEMPSEY: It is.

3 JIM O'MALLEY: I'm sure the Borough
4 is, yes.

5 MR. DEMPSEY: It is.

6 MS. BRIER: Yeah.

7 JIM O'MALLEY: We don't have
8 anything in place as far as a lease
9 agreement --

10 MS. BRIER: Okay.

11 JIM O'MALLEY: -- with the Borough,
12 or if back when the decision to move there was
13 made, was there the property to be switched
14 over to Dunmore little league or anything like
15 that.

16 So I reached out to Greg Wolff about
17 two months ago to kind of start researching
18 some old borough council minutes to find out
19 exactly what took place or if something was
20 supposed to and never got done or whatnot, so
21 we're kind of looking for Council's help on
22 that.

23 MS. BRIER: What are you looking
24 for?

25 MR. DEMPSEY: So, Jimmy, what it

1 was -- at least, you know, this is obviously
2 before my -- even before my time --

3 JIM O'MALLEY: Yeah. Well before
4 all of our time.

5 MR. DEMPSEY: It's a lifetime lease
6 and it does exist.

7 JIM O'MALLEY: Okay.

8 MR. DEMPSEY: Of a dollar.

9 JIM O'MALLEY: Okay.

10 MR. DEMPSEY: So, there is a lease,
11 it exists. Where the physical copy of it is,
12 I'm sure it's at the Borough building, I just,
13 I don't know. I'm sure --

14 MR. WOLFF: So roughly 2002?

15 JIM O'MALLEY: Yeah.

16 MR. WOLFF: We've had discussions --

17 JIM O'MALLEY: Yeah.

18 MR. WOLFF: -- but I didn't just --
19 roughly 2002?

20 MR. DEMPSEY: Yeah. I would say in
21 and around there. But it was, you know, the
22 Borough's going to own the land and then we
23 would lease it to the little league for a
24 dollar for life.

25 JIM O'MALLEY: Got you.

1 MR. DEMPSEY: Yeah. And that
2 document does exist. I know I've seen it
3 actually.

4 MS. BRIER: Oh, really?

5 MR. DEMPSEY: Because I had the
6 same inquiry years ago.

7 JIM O'MALLEY: Yeah.

8 MR. DEMPSEY: So I'm almost certain
9 that --

10 MS. BRIER: And are you okay with
11 that?

12 MR. DEMPSEY: Yeah.

13 JIM O'MALLEY: Yeah. I mean, if
14 that's something that obviously that was put
15 in place back then, it's just -- and I know
16 Greg and I have talked -- like, recordkeeping
17 with the Borough with the little league has
18 been nonexistent for a long time and there's
19 things we're trying to get straightened, you
20 know, turned over when we leave here.

21 We have a new board of directors and
22 everybody on there is new, and a lot of us have
23 young kids, we're gonna be there for years.

24 We've kind of bounced around. We
25 might have somebody, their kids are there for

1 two years and then we got a new president that
2 comes in, everybody's trying to find stuff out,
3 so --

4 MS. BRIER: Okay.

5 JIM O'MALLEY: Yeah, if we could get
6 that document so we have a copy of that, too?

7 One of the things we're worried
8 about is obviously if we know this is in place,
9 not saying it would ever happen, you know, the
10 Borough could come tomorrow and say, Hey, we
11 want the property back and the little league
12 wouldn't be there.

13 MS. BRIER: Right.

14 JIM O'MALLEY: So we're all just
15 trying to protect ourselves and find out what
16 the right thing to do is.

17 MS. BRIER: No, it'd be good for all
18 of us to know exactly what's going on.

19 MR. HALLINAN: If we can't find that
20 document, could we write a new one up?

21 ATTY. PERRY: Yeah. Sure.

22 MR. LOUGHNEY: Jim, just let me say,
23 wearing that top tonight, you took a chance
24 here.

25 JIM O'MALLEY: All weekend I've been

1 taking a chance, trust me.

2 All right. Thank you.

3 ALL MEMBERS: Thank you.

4 MS. BRIER: Anyone else like to
5 address Council tonight?

6 (No response.)

7 MS. BRIER: Okay. Seeing none.

8 MR. WOLFF: Number 14, public
9 officials. The only thing I have is starting
10 this month we're back on our regular schedule.
11 So second and fourth Mondays of the month.

12 MS. BRIER: Great.

13 MR. WOLFF: We're off summer
14 schedule. Back to work.

15 MS. BRIER: Yep. Mickey?

16 ATTY. PERRY: Nothing.

17 MS. BRIER: Mayor?

18 MAYOR CONWAY: Just congratulations
19 to Councilman Hallinan, awesome job with the
20 Music Fest this year. I know everybody had a
21 blast and I know a lot of work goes into that,
22 so everybody involved, just great job.

23 MR. HALLINAN: Thank you.

24 MS. BRIER: Mr. Loughney?

25 MR. LOUGHNEY: I would just like to

1 congratulate the mayor and the police
2 department on that drug bust. That's
3 fantastic.

4 And it's good to get the publicity
5 it's gotten, because people have to be aware of
6 what's taking place and the action that they're
7 doing. And, also, Chris, good job. Thank you.

8 I'd also like to ask, Greg, one
9 thing, I don't know if we could get in touch
10 with PennDOT, but when you come off of Drinker
11 Street, 81, and you get off the top of Drinker
12 Street, that side over there is a mess. And I
13 believe it's PennDOT's.

14 MS. BRIER: Like, litter?

15 MR. LOUGHNEY: The grass is just you
16 can't even see the sides, the weeds are so
17 high. It just looks terrible.

18 MS. BRIER: Whose is that? Is
19 that --

20 MR. HALLINAN: That's PennDOT.

21 MS. BRIER: Is that PennDOT?

22 MR. HALLINAN: Yeah.

23 MR. LOUGHNEY: I don't know if we
24 could --

25 MR. WOLFF: The top of Drinker

1 Street?

2 MR. LOUGHNEY: Top of Drinker
3 Street. When you get off the Drinker Street
4 exit, at the light, it's just all overgrown.
5 If you would. That's all. Thank you.

6 MS. BRIER: Mr. Dempsey?

7 MR. DEMPSEY: Yeah. Again, I'd love
8 to congratulate the Dunmore Police Department.
9 They continue to do a fantastic job. I don't
10 know if Igoe and Sargent Burgette are here.
11 Another job well done.

12 MS. BRIER: Oh, yeah.

13 MR. DEMPSEY: Oh, there they are.
14 Being modest. Earning those promotions.

15 And, also, thank you to Justin and
16 Chris, you know, again, going above and beyond
17 what you guys have to do. So, we appreciate
18 it. Thank you. That's it.

19 MS. BRIER: Tommy?

20 MR. HALLINAN: I'd like to thank the
21 DPW and the police for Music Fest. I mean, at
22 some venues we had close to 450 people and the
23 next day you didn't know anybody was there.
24 So, kudos to the DPW for cleaning up, the
25 police for maintaining order.

1 I'd also like to thank -- Chief
2 wasn't here -- Anthony Cali, I want to say
3 Thursday, I was sitting on my porch and he kept
4 driving around, and he finally pulled over and
5 asked me if I smelled gas.

6 And I said, Yeah, I smell it. But,
7 you know, I didn't know what it was. I thought
8 it was more down by the corners.

9 So, he got out of his car and he
10 smelled, you know, gas coming up out of one of
11 the, it seemed like a pothole or something.
12 So, the fire department came down, they did
13 their gauges on it, you know, found it was
14 natural gas.

15 The gas company came out all that
16 night. I didn't sleep well because they were
17 digging, but it was fantastic because it was a
18 potential problem or it could have been
19 something even worse.

20 But kudos to Anthony Cali for doing
21 what he did and protecting our neighborhood.
22 So, another thing by the police.

23 I'd like to thank, you know, thank
24 you, Chris, for doing a great job there with
25 that accident up at the bus. That was

1 fantastic.

2 So, thank you very much. That's all
3 I have.

4 MS. BRIER: Okay. Beth?

5 MS. ZANGARDI: Yeah. Just a couple
6 of things. Frank Street drug bust was in my
7 neighborhood and I'd like to thank the Dunmore
8 Police Department and everybody who
9 participated in it.

10 However, I'm gonna stay on it until
11 it gets fixed. There's a problem back there,
12 they're out-of-state landlords, Scaritelli
13 (phonetic) owns an eight-unit apartment with
14 zero parking. Parking all over the place, in
15 and out, and the ordinances say and the zoning
16 says, Greg and Mike and Max, if it's more than
17 two units, you have to provide parking.

18 Scaritelli has done nothing, and
19 this is the fourth month I've asked. Rinaldi
20 has -- I'm sorry, Ferguson, done nothing.
21 There's four units, one parking spot.

22 There is a three unit down at 108
23 and a half Frank Street, three units, zero
24 parking.

25 Landlords are getting better spots

1 than the homeowners are, and when I talk to
2 anybody about it, they say, Well, if we go
3 after the parking on the sidewalks, we have to
4 go after the landowner, the homeowner. Okay.
5 But then do something about the parking.

6 That being said, I do want to say
7 thank you to the police department for that
8 drug bust.

9 And if we could also do something
10 about still getting complaints about the
11 Amendaloro house on Drinker Street in Dunmore?
12 I don't care what he does with it. If he
13 cleans it up, that's awesome, but, again,
14 blighted properties in Dunmore.

15 So, that's all I have. And thank
16 you to the DPW for all the work you did on the
17 Music Festival.

18 I have a neighbor who asked for a
19 curb, they did awesome on that. Thank you
20 again for the entire DPW department. And
21 summer fest was awesome. We enjoyed it. I
22 don't think we missed one. But thank you to
23 everybody. Thank you, Tom, Brian McGurl, Hosey
24 (phonetic) Lavelle. So, thank you. That's all
25 I have. Thank you.

1 MS. BRIER: Katherine?

2 MS. OVEN: I would just like to
3 reiterate, Congratulations, Hal, on the Music
4 Fest.

5 MR. HALLINAN: Thanks.

6 MS. OVEN: It's a wonderful thing
7 for the Borough. And thank you to DPW, police
8 and the fire that protect us and clean up and
9 keep the Borough safe. And we appreciate it.

10 MS. BRIER: And Katherine was able
11 to go out and get a grant for the cats, you
12 know, to trap the cats. It was a -- is it
13 Spitz?

14 MS. OVEN: Yeah.

15 MS. BRIER: Spitz from the Scranton
16 Area Foundation for \$4,000, which is huge. It
17 really will help because she does such a great
18 job with that. How many cats have we trapped
19 so far?

20 MS. OVEN: Like, 105.

21 MS. BRIER: 105 cats. Yeah. And
22 it's all volunteer except the veterinarian, so
23 she has to manage that, all the volunteers and
24 then get them to, you know, trap the cats and
25 then get them to the veterinarian. The

1 veterinarian's been really reasonable, too,
2 right?

3 MS. OVEN: Yeah. Griffin Pond and
4 Indraloka have supported our program and the
5 volunteers.

6 MS. BRIER: Yep. And the
7 volunteers. It's a great program. I mean, I
8 think we're just scratching the surface.

9 MS. OVEN: No pun intended.

10 MS. BRIER: Sorry. That was a bad
11 one. And, yeah, and again I know that the fire
12 department's always on standby for the Music
13 Fest, too, and I just didn't want to overlook
14 you guys because you're always there for us,
15 you know, your whole department, as well as the
16 police and DPW. So, thanks everyone.
17 Appreciate it.

18 MR. WOLFF: I just need a motion to
19 adjourn.

20 MS. BRIER: Okay. Can I have a
21 motion to adjourn?

22 MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved.

23 MR. DEMPSEY: Second.

24 MS. BRIER: Okay. I have a motion
25 and a second. All those in favor?

1 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

2 MR. MARQUIS: My name is Ant
3 Marquis. I'm a local musician/community
4 activist. I just travel the State of
5 Pennsylvania and stuff like that and I just try
6 to help multiple boroughs and multiple counties
7 and things of that nature.

8 I'm all over Youtube doing this
9 stuff, so I'm kind of, like, known. Like, I'm
10 well known in Northeast PA. I'm all in the
11 newspapers, all on the news stations, but I
12 didn't come here to make it about that.

13 I really just came here to speak
14 about the homeless pandemic that's starting to,
15 the word that I can use is migrate out here
16 into Dunmore, PA.

17 We have a huge issue with this in
18 the State of Pennsylvania, but it's bigger than
19 the State of Pennsylvania. This is all across
20 America, you know what I'm saying?

21 So, like, I don't know where to
22 start, you know what I'm saying? I'm starting
23 within my state, I'm starting within Northeast
24 PA, but the higher I go up, then eventually
25 I'll sit and I'll talk to, like, the president

1 and stuff like that and hopefully we can do
2 something about this.

3 But right now I want to bring it to
4 you guys' attention just so you guys can
5 prepare, you know, ahead of time and do
6 something about this.

7 Maybe we have a shelter or
8 something. I don't know if we have a shelter
9 out here. I'm new to Dunmore. All I do is
10 just travel, you know what I'm saying, so I'm
11 new to Dunmore. I don't know what's out here.

12 I don't know what's out here, you
13 know, but I do want to bring attention to that
14 because we do have to prepare for this because
15 it's gonna get out of hand if we don't do
16 something about it.

17 MS. ZANGARDI: Sir, what was your
18 name again, please?

19 MR. MARQUIS: Ant, A-N-T, space,
20 M-A-R-Q-U-I-S.

21 MS. ZANGARDI: Okay.

22 MR. LOUGHNEY: Well, welcome.

23 MS. ZANGARDI: Yeah. Welcome to
24 Dunmore.

25 MS. BRIER: Yeah. Thank you.

1 ALL MEMBERS: Thank you.

2 MS. BRIER: We appreciate you
3 coming.

4 MS. ZANGARDI: Yeah. There are a
5 couple of homeless shelters in Scranton.

6 MR. MARQUIS: Yeah, but here's the
7 thing, I've stayed in those shelters, they're
8 not big enough for all of the homeless people
9 that are coming to Scranton.

10 MS. ZANGARDI: Right.

11 MR. MARQUIS: Like, I was just
12 homeless out there in Scranton, so I know how
13 it is. Like, it's getting to the point to
14 where it's that whole city is starting to
15 become filled with just homeless people and
16 drug addicts.

17 So, we don't have enough space
18 within that shelter. I've stayed in that
19 shelter. We got men sleeping on top of each
20 other, they're fighting all the time.

21 They only got, like, five or six
22 beds in there, you know what I'm saying? So we
23 need to do something about that, too.

24 I'm trying to raise awareness to
25 where as though we can get, like, a bigger

1 shelter. We need a bigger shelter. You know
2 what I'm saying?

3 MS. BRIER: Well, thanks again.

4 MS. ZANGARDI: Yeah. That's very
5 important. You're right.

6 MS. BRIER: Thanks again for coming.

7 MR. MARQUIS: Thank you.

8 MS. BRIER: So we're adjourned.

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10 (Meeting adjourned.)

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