



# BOROUGH of ARONA

Monthly Regular Meeting  
St. Mark's Church, Arona, PA  
November 4, 2024

In Attendance		Guests
Kathy Sikora	Clint Jacobs	Ralph Zoerner
Dave Rupert	Joe Levandosky	Todd Heasley
Mark Sikora		
JoAnn Berlin		
Lorne Dimon		

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## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by council President Kathy Sikora at 7:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Ralph Zoerner from Waste Management was in attendance to present a new contract proposal for garbage pick-up in the borough.

He explained why refuse containers serviced by automated trucks are becoming more prevalent because of efficiency, safety, and cost savings. Waste Management predicts that there will be a 30 to 50% price increases on all future contracts and containers pick-up can offer cheaper rates to the residents.

He explained how their operations center would determine the logistics of garbage pick-ups on streets that could potentially be problems due to the size of the streets.

## MINUTES REVIEWED

The minutes from the October 2024 meeting were reviewed. Dave Rupert made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Clint Jacobs seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## BILLS/RECEIPTS

Bills and receipts for November 2024 were reviewed. Todd Heasley presented a bill for \$130.00 for mileage, supplies, and sign installation (6). Mark Sikora made a motion to accept the bills as presented. Dave Rupert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## OLD BUSINESS

Clint Jacobs made a motion to accept the Waste Management proposal #4 which is a continuation of the current contract and terms with the exception of the price increase. Mark Sikora seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



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## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **NEW ROAD SIGNS**

Mark Sikora suggested purchasing the necessary signage for 'brake retarder' signs for placement in the borough. Mark Sikora made a motion to buy the signage for \$591.00. The motion was seconded by Clint Jacobs. The motion passed unanimously.

### **2025 MEETING DATES**

The council meeting dates were set for 2025. Mark Sikora made a motion to approve the dates for 2025. The motion was seconded by Clint Jacobs.

### **2025 BUDGET**

The proposed 2025 budget was discussed and modified. The millage rate was to be set at 2.8%. JoAnn Berlin made a motion to accept the new budget and millage rate for 2025. The motion was seconded by Dave Rupert. The motion passed unanimously.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.