

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 6:05 p.m. in Council Chambers, Municipal building, 215 Main Street, Conyngham, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order by Council President Gary Gregory, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken.

Roll Call:

Present: Bartlinski, Evancho, Gregory, Keegan, Tihansky.

Absent: Ryba, Veet.

Others Present: Mayor, Solicitor, Manager, Police Chief, Zoning Officer.

Absent: None.

Citizens: Maureen A. Bendig, Linda Grencavich.

Public Comment: Valley West Little League expressed their desire to replace batting cages at Whispering Willows Park with Council approval .

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session February 18, 2025 – Bartlinski. Second – Evancho.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Mayor: LC 911 Center received nineteen (19) calls for offenses, incidents, and/or requests for the month of February for Conyngham Borough. Additionally, while on duty CBPD responded to fourteen (14) incidents and/or requests. Four (4) traffic warnings and six (6) traffic citations were issued. Report is on file.

Motion

Motion to Approve 2025 Crime Watch National Night Out Tuesday, July 29th at Whispering Willows Park – Bartlinski. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Fire, Rescue & EMA: Conyngham had one (1) Fire and Rescue call for the month of February.

Motion

Motion to Approve ½ of Valley Regional Fire & Rescue, Inc. 2025 Fire Service Agreement Funding Request \$5,934.87 – Tihansky. Second – Evancho.

Questions on the Motion: Councilman Bartlinski stated Council needs a specific plan for firehouse improvements to release remaining 50% of funding.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Evancho	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Absent	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Valley Regional would like to apply for an LSA Grant and requested Borough Sponsorship.

Treasurer: The Treasurer reviewed the February report in detail. A copy of the report is available for public inspection and is on file.

Motion

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Motion to Approve February Financial Report – Keegan. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Evancho	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Absent	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

The Treasurer provided a list of obligations in the amount of \$ 59,990.53 to be approved.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Bills – Bartlinski. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: Councilman Bartlinski questioned if Valley Regional would be 50% - Yes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Evancho	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Absent	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

The Treasurer advised Council that the 2024 Audit is complete.

Solicitor:

Motion

Motion to Approve LexisNexis Law Enforcement Agreement Conditioned Upon Chief's Approval- Gregory. Second – Evancho.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Evancho	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Absent	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve Glassberg Holding Tank Agreement – Tihansky. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: Councilman Bartlinski questioned if it was permitted – Yes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Evancho	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Absent	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve 2025-2026 Acrisure Actuarial Services Agreement – Evancho. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: Council may consider RFP for services prior to expiration.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Affirmative	Evancho	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Absent	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

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Recreation: 2025 Park Program June 16th – July 25th. Co-Directors are returning. Applications for Staff will be taken until May 1, 2025.

Motion

Motion to Approve CVCO Easter Egg Hunt WW Park April 4th 5:30 PM Rain Date April 5th 10:00 AM – Gregory. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Valley West Little League is requesting replacement of batting cage at Whispering Willows Park near Fire House. Council has no objections to plans.

Date for Community Yard Sale is Saturday, May 17th 8:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Henkel Corporation requested May 16th for WW Park clean-up. The park has a rental for that date. An alternate date and or clean-up location may be arranged.

Planning & Zoning: The Zoning Report was read into the record. There was one (1) concern addressed/actions taken including one (1) permit issued.

Vacancy still exists on the Planning Commission. Council will solicit letters of interest to fill vacancy.

Department of Public Works: 2025 Liquid Fuels Payment \$ 62,903.33 was received March 3rd.

Maintenance on vehicles & equipment are underway.

Street sign poles will be painted as weather permits.

Building & Grounds:

Motion

Motion to Approve 2025 Luzerne County Polling Place Agreement – Evancho. Second – Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Motion

Motion to Approve CVCO Borough Gazebo Use for Yoga – Evancho. Second – Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Motion

Motion to Approve CVHS Borough Building Use Mother’s Day Tea May 4th – Evancho. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Motion

Motion to Approve CVHS Borough Gazebo Use Concert Series June 22nd, July 20th, & August 10th – Evancho. Second – Bartlinski.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

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Councilman Bartlinski questioned status of Whispering Willows Park bridge repair. Vice President Tihansky will contact contractor.

CSJMA: Penn Vest closing was held Tuesday, March 11, 2025. Sewer Plant upgrade is on hold until Pioneer and Sugarloaf Township can come to an agreement on permit fees. CSJMA is intervening to expedite.

Reduction on inflow & infiltration of sewer main is not available yet. Flow metering will continue.

New Business: Vice President Tihansky expressed interest in the Borough procuring Flock System cameras for the entry points. Police Chief is working on coordinating with Sugarloaf Township.

Old Business: None.

Catch-All: None.

Public Comment: Maureen Bendig stated PPL has not replaced 9 Twain streetlight.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:12 pm – Tihansky. Second – Evancho.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

ATTEST:


Secretary