

West Wyoming Borough Council Meeting Minutes December 10, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of West Wyoming Borough was called to order by Chairman Stavish. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken by Secretary Pedley and the following were present: Chairman Stavish, Councilman Colarusso, Councilman Grescavage, Councilman Dolan Councilwoman Zaboski, Mayor Herbert, Solicitor Lukesh, Treasurer Kendzor and Secretary Pedley. Engineer Amato was absent.

OLD BUSINESS- NONE

Chairman Stavish asked for a motion made by Grescavage and seconded by Colarusso to approve the previous month's minutes. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Randy Colarusso- Public Facilities:

Councilman Colarusso called upon Treasurer Kendzor for the reading of the Treasurer's report. It is as follows:

**West Wyoming Borough
Treasurer's Report
December 10, 2018**

CASH ACCOUNTS

**COMBINED GENERAL, HIGHWAY
AID AND SEWER FUNDS**

GENERAL ACCOUNTS			
ESSA BANK REFUSE	\$80,799.82	PLGIT	\$310,287.91
FNCB DEBT SERVICE AOOOUNT	\$19,421.50	ESSA	\$80,799.82
FNCB GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$501,386.65	M&T	\$230,231.86
FNCB PROPERTY PROCEEDS	\$85,640.37	FNCB	<u>\$1,011,156.50</u>
FNCB REFUSE ACCOUNT	\$192,871.47		<u>\$1,632,476.09</u>
PLGIT EARNED INCOME TAX	\$56,294.55		
PLGIT PAYROLL	\$3,611.01		
PLGIT GENERAL	\$1.29		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS	<u>\$940,026.66</u>		
HIGHWAY AID FUND			
PLGIT	<u>\$161,948.66</u>		
TOTAL HIGHWAY CHECKING/SAVINGS	<u>\$161,948.66</u>		
SEWER FUND			
M&T	\$230,231.86		
FNCB SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$211,836.51		
PLGIT CREDIT CARD	<u>\$88,432.40</u>		
TOTAL SEWER FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS	<u>\$530,500.77</u>		
TOTAL COMBINED CHECKING/SAVINGS	<u>\$1,632,476.09</u>		

Chairman Stavish asked for a motion made by Colarusso and seconded by Zaboloski to approve the reading of the Treasurer's report. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Colarusso gave his DPW report: DPW worker Jim is off for the month of Dec. Anti-skid and rock salt were ordered. Machines are ready for snow removal and leaf pick-up will be December 13th and 14th.

Daniel Grescavage - Community Development: No report. Wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Mike Dolan - Public Safety/Code Enforcement: West Wyoming Emergency Services Monthly Chief's Report. West Wyoming Emergency Services responded to fifty-two alarms in November: 30 EMS calls, 4 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 1 Structure fire, 1 Vehicle fire, 2 Hazardous Materials Incidents, 3 Service calls, 3 False alarms, 7 Good intent calls, 1 Severe weather incident. With winter weather upon us, the fire department is asking for the community's help in keeping fire hydrants near their home clear of snow. The time it takes to shovel out a hydrant in the event of an emergency can severely impact the outcome of the incident.

Code Enforcement - It was fairly quiet, only one abandoned vehicle complaint and fire inspection done on West Brady.

For the Police Chief's report - vehicle maintenance, oil change and standard maintenance was done on vehicle one. Windshield wipers were replaced on both vehicles. We are looking into having the winter tires put on that were purchased for the season. There are parking complaints on Hill St and Holden St. An ordinance has been adopted to resolve the parking issues on those streets. DPW will put up 'No Parking' signs as soon as possible. The police department was awarded a prescription drop-off box through Rite Aid Kid Sense. This will allow residents to drop off any unused, unwanted, or expired medication anonymously. This program will help combat the drug crisis by preventing teenagers and others from abusing prescription pills. The box will be delivered in two to four weeks and placed in the Borough lobby.

On Nov 28th, Patrolman Malvizzi, Mayor Herbert and Chief Nocera, along with local departments participated in an event to give a six year old Borough resident a motorized police car and uniform and West Wyoming winter hat, dept. patches from all local departments and various gifts donated by local businesses. Don Evans, a West Pittston Officer, put the event together and this boy was given a very special birthday. He was found to be very deserving based on some of his trials and tribulations he endured in his early life. The event received national attention. This is just an example of what the Police Dept. is doing to let people know that they are approachable and are willing to help people.

Chief Nocera is working on an LSA Grant with Maureen, who may talk more on this tonight if it is on her agenda. The Chief is unable to be here tonight but he did want me to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Councilman Dolan made a motion, seconded by Colarusso to put an Ordinance on the table for 30 days Amending the Construction Code Ordinance. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Dolan stated that there has been outreach from WVSA on the Stormwater Management Program on the new fee that they will be charging residents, businesses and commercial industry based

on their impervious surface area of their properties. Each resident is expected to have an average bill of \$4.80 a month. This is an effort to clean up the rivers and streams and is something that the Borough has participated in as part of a 30-member municipal association. By participating in the association the Borough has been able to lower our costs by having that many communities involved in this process.

Maureen Zabolski - Administration/Finance, Health and Sanitation:

Councilwoman Zabolski made a motion, seconded by Colarusso, to approve all outstanding bills approved by the Finance Committee. Voice Vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Another motion made by Zabolski is to pay the Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief stipend for 2018, seconded by Grescavage. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Zabolski made a motion to pay the ambulance fuel stipend of \$1,000 for 2018, seconded by Colarusso. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Zabolski to pay WWHC#1 \$1,000 Borough contribution for 2018, seconded by Dolan, Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Zabolski to pay WWHC#2 \$1,000 Borough Contribution for 2018, seconded by Colarusso. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Zabolski made a motion to pass a resolution for an LSA Grant for the West Wyoming Police Cruisers in the amount of \$103,150, with Tonyehn Verkitus as Grant Consultant, second by Dolan. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

Zabolski made a motion to pass a resolution to request a second LSA Grant for the West Wyoming Hose Company # 1 for the Fire House Addition, for \$516,400, with Ashburn Advisers, Grant Consultants, second by Colarusso. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

Councilwoman Zabolski stated that the budget was placed on the table for review at last month's meeting, and we will have a special meeting this Wednesday, December 12th at 6:30 PM at which time the budget will be passed. The budget will have been on the table and open for review for 30 days as of December 12th.

Linell Lukesh - Solicitor:

I have been working on our Cyber security policy to tailor it for the police. We adopted a general employee's cyber security communications agreement, this agreement states how all employees have to be very careful about using the internet. Working on changing and redrafting security policies. There was other businesses that was discussed at our work sessions.

Mayor Joe Herbert:

I would like to give the report for the month of November. We had a total of 95 calls, and issued 14 citations. I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Citizens Participation:

Ryan Pecekonis W. Sperling St. On the ban on W. Sperling St. - Where can family park when they come to visit? What are you going to do about the problem?

Councilman Stavish replied: We are not telling anyone that they can or cannot have anyone over for the holidays. We are not going to do anything.

Ryan Pecekonis: Why isn't the ordinance on the Web site?

Councilwoman Zaboski: I haven't had a chance to put it on yet.

Ryan Pecekonis: It's been three months.

Are you all aware of the snow and ice removal code in our town? Answer Yes..Question-- What would be done if the ordinance not followed. Answer --They would be warned and then if not followed they would be fined.

The Grey building across from my house does not shovel snow. They should be –

Councilman Stavish: Was a complaint filed?

Solicitor Lukesh: Thank You for bringing that to our attention, we will monitor that from now on.

Ryan Pecekonis: I want to know why you won't work with people on this street about the parking ban.

Councilman Stavish: We took into consideration everybody on the street and, so far, we only had 2 complaints on the street out of the 30 residents. So, we are listening to the majority. We did make our decision based on citizens' safety and we are standing by it.

Ryan Pecekonis: Again you do not care if people can't come for Christmas.

Councilman Stavish: We are not telling anyone to do anything they don't want to do. They can park in their yards .

Ryan Pecekonis: Thanks for nothing.

Councilman Stavish: Anyone else?

Chief Matt Granteed—My first question would be: Ryan, what problem do you have with the gray building across from your house? From what I hear your father parks there all the time. A metal roof sends snow down so we do not want people to walk on that side of the building. The front sidewalks are always shoveled. You are bad mouthing a building about parking but your family parks in the parking lot all the time.

Ryan—said to Chief Granteed that he was the reason for the parking ban.

Chief Granteed stated that he advised council about the fire trucks not fitting and he is looking out for the people. He stated that the trucks were having a hard time getting up the street.

Matt told Ryan to try doing more in this town instead of just being a nag. Chief Granteed said he wants it noted that nobody's family should park in his parking lot anymore.

Councilman Stavish asked if anyone else would like to speak.

Councilman Colarusso made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Dolan. Voice Vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

