

West Wyoming Borough Council Minutes

February 09, 2026

The monthly meeting of West Wyoming Borough was called to order by Chairman Stavish. Following the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken by Chairman Stavish and the following were present: Chairman Stavish, Vice Chairman Mike Dolan, Councilman Paul Orzel, Councilman Barry Przybyla, Councilwoman Karen Francisco, Mayor Randy Colarusso, Solicitor Linell Lukesh, Treasurer Mark Kendzor, Engineer Amato.

Chairman Stavish made a motion, seconded by Councilman Orzel to approve the minutes from January's meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Stavish made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Francisco to approve all outstanding bills approved by the Finance Committee. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Stavish made a motion to accept the Luzerne County 2025 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Municipal Adoption Resolution 2 of 2026, seconded by Councilman Przybyla. Voice Vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Stavish made a motion to appoint John Baker as West Wyoming Borough Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief, Dave Granteed, seconded by Councilwoman Francisco. Voice vote, all in favor. Motion carried

Chairman Stavish made a motion to appoint Jimmy Ostrowski as EMA Director and Deputy EMA Director Lee Hampton. Seconded by Vice Chairman Dolan, all in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

Vice Chairman Dolan – Administration Finance

Vice Chairman Dolan asked Treasurer Kendzor for the Treasurer's Report.

It is as follows:

WEST WYOMING BOROUGH TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 08, 2028			
CASH ACCOUNTS		AID AND SEWER FUNDS	
GENERAL FUND			
CASH ACCOUNTS		FIDELITY	\$874,887.41
FIDELITY BANK ARPA ACCOUNT	\$103,695.30	PLGIT	\$3,243,478.71
FIDELITY BANK ENGINE REFURBISHMENT ACCOUNT	\$37,862.44	M&T	\$85,886.48
FIDELITY BANK GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$180,654.11		
FIDELITY BANK REFUSE ACCOUNT	\$327,051.68		
PLGIT EARNED INCOME TAX	\$25,632.40		
PLGIT PAYROLL	\$2,196.54		
PLGIT GENERAL	\$45,896.96		
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT			
PLGIT	\$1,241,035.66		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND CHECKING/COD	<u>\$1,963,910.99</u>		
HIGHWAY AID FUND			
CASH ACCOUNTS			
PLGIT	\$83,844.27		
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT			
PLGIT	\$201,972.60		
TOTAL HIGHWAY AID FUND CHECKING/COD	<u>\$285,816.87</u>		
SEWER FUND			
CASH ACCOUNTS			
FIDELITY BANK SEWER	\$25,660.88		
M&T SEWER	\$36,656.40		
PLGIT SEWER CREDIT CARD	\$134,073.08		
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT			
PLGIT	\$1,478,673.70		
TOTAL SEWER FUND CHECKING/COD	<u>\$1,794,334.76</u>		
TOTAL COMBINED CHECKING/COD	<u>\$4,014,062.61</u>		

Vice Chairman Dolan made a motion to accept the treasurers report as read. It was seconded by Councilman Orzel. All in favor. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Dolan asked Treasurer Kendzor to make a transfer of funds for \$95,000.00 from M&T Bank to the PLIGIT Sewer Fund. It was seconded by Councilman Pryzybla. All in favor. Motion carries.

Councilman Przybyla: DPW and Public Safety

The new 2025 Ford F '600' has been delivered from service Now waiting on price for pumps back up for West Wyoming 1 and 2.

Councilwoman Karen Francisco : Public Safety/Community Development/Code Enforcement:

Summary of events for Code Enforcement for January 2026

QOL Violation tickets issued	25
Penalty letters sent	3
Warning notices issued	9
Parking tickets issued	5
IPMC violations issued	1
Assists to other agencies	1
Permits issued	3
Court appearances	1

Fire Department Report for January 2026

Work has been done on engine 1 and other vehicles

Fire Calls of service	10
Structure fires	4
MVA	1
Mutual aid to Franklin Township	1
Automatic fire alarms	2
Carbon monoxide alarm	1

John P Baker was elected Fire Chief at the January Fire Meeting.

Also, a reminder to keep hydrants clear when it snows.

Councilman Orzel: Health and Sanitation/ Parks and Recreation:

Thanks to DPW for keeping roads clear with the recent snow.

Also, thanks to all borough residents for their patience when trash and recyclables were set back a day after the snow.

Engineer Amato: Routine Business

Solicitor Lukesh:

PPL requests land development notification on updates in borough.

The hearing was on 1/28/26 with KB Krash and landlord to pay a portion of citations. Over the past 2 weeks, we had not seen any positive information from KB Krash. If no progress, we will go back on March 3, 2026 and continue on. The defendants want to preclude all testimonies from residents. They also asked to preclude the criminal citations. The judge didn't issue an order but then had a discussion in chambers. Also, at the same time Mayor Colarusso is working with legislators

The Odor Nuisance Ordinance has been passed which is a standalone part from the QOL. If we get too many QOL citations, we will start to lean properties.

Mayor Colarusso asked Seargent Lombardo to read the monthly stats.

Seargent Lombardo stated there were 320 calls for the month of January. He then spoke on the issues with the KB Krash updates and also the status of 2 of his officers who were injured. One officer has been returned to duty after a pit bull attack. Another officer accidentally shot in the arm but should be back to work in March.

There was a discussion with the Carbon County coroner about an overdose of Kratom recently.

Task force officer to concentrate on crimes against children.

Much more discussions followed with the Solicitor about KB Krash.

The Seargent then thanked Solicitor Lukesh and Attorney Bovanni for their on-going work with the KB Krash case.

Chairman Stavish then spoke of Dan Reese being there from the Planning and Zoning from Luzerne County and asked if anyone had any questions for him.

Citizens Participation: Joe Erzar, 31 West Brady Street questioned why plowing is done curb to curb.

Kristin Randazzo, 449 West Eighth Street questioned council and Rick Kamus why Plow from DPW pushes snow across West Eighth Street.

Chairman Stavish made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Vice Chairman Dolan. All in favor....Motion carried.



Vice Chairman

Michael Dolan