

West Wyoming Borough - Council Meeting Minutes July 8, 2019

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, Treasurer Kendzor, Solicitor Lukesh, and Secretary Pedley. Absent were Councilwoman Zaboski, Mayor Herbert, and Engineer Amato.

Chairman Stavish asked for a motion made by Councilman Grescavage and seconded by Councilman Colarusso to approve the previous months minutes. Voice vote all in favor.

Old Business - None

Councilman Colarusso: Public Facilities

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

WEST WYOMING BOROUGH TREASURER'S REPORT As of July 7, 2019

CASH ACCOUNTS

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

GENERAL FUND			
ESSA BANK	\$111,901.81	PLGIT	\$372,383.73
FNCB DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT	\$29,045.73	ESSA	\$111,901.81
FNCB GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$586,126.77	M&T	\$295,420.59
FNCB PROPERTY PROCEEDS	\$67,926.59	FNCB	<u>\$1,084,507.44</u>
FNCB REFUSE ACCOUNT	\$222,890.77		<u>\$1,864,203.57</u>
PLGIT EARNED INCOME TAX	\$8,346.57		
PLGIT PYROLL	\$5,548.54		
PLGIT GENERAL	<u>\$1,394.55</u>		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS	<u>\$1,033,181.33</u>		
HIGHWAY AID FUND			
PLGIT	<u>\$224,989.36</u>		
TOTAL HIGHWAY CHECKING/SAVINGS	<u>\$224,989.36</u>		
SEWER FUND			
M&T	\$295,410.59		
FNCB SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$178,517.58		
PLGIT SEWER CREDIT CARD	<u>\$132,104.71</u>		
TOTAL SEWER FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS	<u>\$606,032.88</u>		
 TOTAL COMBINED CHECKING/SAVINGS	 <u>\$1,864,203.57</u>		

Motion was made by Councilman Colarusso and seconded by Councilman Dolan to approve the reading of the Treasurer's report. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Colarusso and seconded by Councilman Grescavage to approve all outstanding bills approved by the Finance Committee. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Colarusso stated that the Council of Government received an LSA grant for a new paver. This will help us out quite a lot especially with our road paving needs.

DPW is doing a good job.

Also, when Engineer Amato is present, we will have to discuss the matter on Brady St.

Daniel Grescavage: Community Development

Grescavage stated that on July 17th, the inspection on the Abrahams Creek channel, basin and weir will take place. Letters were sent to residents as a reminder to unlock their gates on both sides of the channel and that all pets are secured as per ordinance. As a reminder, Grescavage said that he will call residents the night before the inspection to have gates open.

Councilman Grescavage also said that DPW workers did a good job in cleaning up the basin and channel.

Grescavage said that he attended the Luzerne County Zoning Board hearing on July 2nd regarding 481 Shoemaker Ave. There will be a continuation on August 6th. Neighbors are opposing the zoning request.

West Wyoming received a check from Wyoming Rotary for \$250.00 for the Recreation Board. The Recreation Board welcomes new members to join.

Lastly, Grescavage said that every year he receives literature from UGI on power lines. He said this information is very helpful so copies will be placed in the book rack in the front foyer if anyone is interested.

Mike Dolan: Public Safety/Code Enforcement-

West Wyoming Emergency Services Monthly Chief's Report is as follows. West Wyoming Emergency Services responded to twenty-nine alarms in June: Grass fire-1- EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury- 15- Motor vehicle accident with no injuries- 2- Gas leak(Natural gas or LPG) 1- Power line down - 1- Smoke or odor removal-1- Assist police or other governmental agencies-1- Good intent call, other-3- Dispatched & cancelled en route- 3- Smoke detector activation due to malfunction-1.

We have a general announcement for everyone that there is a Touch an Emergency Vehicle Day at the Vendors Market on 6th Street on July 21st from 10am until 2pm. The Mt Zion Bicentennial Fire-Rescue, West Wyoming Hose Co's 1 & 2 and Franklin Township will have their Emergency Vehicles there. Bring your whole family. This event allows kids to get a close-up view of 8 or so emergency vehicles that are not typically accessible. Under supervision, kids are permitted to climb in/on, walk around and touch emergency vehicles from Police, Fire and EMS.

The Vendors Market on 6th St. is open for everyone to eat and shop.

Located at 281 West 6th St.

West Wyoming, Pa. 18644

Thank you for supporting local emergency services.

On Code Enforcement—our code enforcement officer has been very busy. If residents have any issues feel free to come into the Borough office, see the clerk and ask for a complaint form that you can fill out or you can find the form on our website.

The West Wyoming Borough Police Chiefs report: There has been no vehicle maintenance. We are still working on new server issues. We apologize if reports are taking longer than they should. The Buckle Up grant was completed and 162 vehicles were stopped. 152 citations were issued, 8 criminal arrests were made. This grant was fully funded at no cost to the borough.

The chief wanted to congratulate two of our officers. The first being our Patrol Supervisor, Joseph Schlagel, for being hired as Exeter Borough's new full time Chief of Police. The second being Patrolman Drew Malvizzi for being hired as a full time patrolman in Exeter Borough. We thank them for their service to our community.

There has been some additional training, the chief and one of our other officers Matt Evans completed a 40 hour ALERRT'S Activate Attack Integrated Response Instructor course which was hosted at Wilkes University. Patrolman Brandon Bradshaw completed the 16 hour student Active Attack Integrated Response class.

Councilman Dolan made a motion to hire Kevin Walkowiak, pending clearance of background check. He was recommended by the Chief and he looks to be an appropriate candidate. Second by Councilman Colarusso. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

In the absence of the Mayor, I will report the monthly calls for June 2019. There were 108 calls and 2 Criminal Arrests. 26 citations issued.

The EMS service provider, West Wyoming Ambulance is ceasing operations August 2, 2019. They are an independent agency. It is something that the borough does support and assigns responsibilities to those agencies. We will be putting a Request for Proposal out for other EMS agencies to provide services to West Wyoming. There are other service providers that are local to the area and are interested in providing those services to us. We will be doing interviews for new EMS services as soon as we receive those proposals. Meanwhile Greater Pittston will be providing service to us. The paid subscription will be honored.

Linell Lukesh: Solicitor—

Working with the borough council on various issues, and business as usual.

No audience participation

Motion was made by Councilman Colarusso, seconded by Councilman Dolan to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

