

WEST WYOMING BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

NOVEMBER 11, 2024

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The monthly meeting of West Wyoming Borough Council 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, Councilman Pugliese, Councilman Orzel, Councilman Przybyla, Solicitor Linell Lukesh, Treasurer Mark Kendzor, Mayor Colarusso, Engineer Amato

Absent: Vice Chairman Dolan

Chairman Stavish requested a motion to approve the minutes from last month's meeting and it was seconded by Councilman Przybyla, Voice Vote.....All in Favor...Motion Carried.

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

Chairman Stavish would like to make a motion to put a resolution on the table for a local share grant of \$691,717.94 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for West Wyoming Transportation Improvements Project, seconded by Councilman Orzel. All in favor.....Motion Carried

Chairman Stavish announced a resolution to put on table for a Penn Dot Multi modal Transportation fund grant in the amount of \$691,717.94 to be used for West Wyoming Transportation Improvements Project and it was seconded by Councilman Orzel. All in favor.....Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS- NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Frank Pugliese - Public Facilities: The lettering was ordered and will be applied to the new Borough Truck .

Vice Chairman Dolan – Administration Finance In Vice Chairman Dolan’s absence, Chairman Stavish called upon Treasurer Kendzor for the reading of the Treasurer’s Report. It is as follows:

West Wyoming Borough
Treasurer’s Report
As of
Nov. 10, 2024

CASH

General Fund

FNCB ARPA Account	\$179,079.72	
FNCB Engine Refurbishment	\$31,216.00	Combined General Highway and Sewer Funds
FNCB General Account	\$197,824.13	
FNCB Refuse Account	\$122,457.33	PLGIT \$2,545,650.53
PLGIT Earned Income Tax	\$724,852.73	M&T \$ 28,513.34
PLGIT Payroll	\$2,935.80	<u>\$3,263,477.85</u>
PLGIT General	<u>\$279,547.94</u>	
Total General Fund Checking/Savings	\$1,537,913.65	

Highway Aid Fund

PLGIT	<u>\$293,687.56</u>
Total Highway Aid Fund Checking/ Savings	<u>\$293,687.56</u>

Sewer Fund

M&T Sewer	\$28,513.34
FNCB Operating Fund	\$158,736.80
PLGIT Sewer Credit Card	\$1,244,626.50
Total Sewer Fund Checking/ Savings	<u>\$1,431,876.64</u>

Total Combined Checking/Savings	<u>\$3,263,477.85</u>
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FNCB converted over to Peoples Security.....All statements were reconciled with what was on hand as of November 10th. And they shall be available for the next meeting.

Motion was made by Chairman Stavish, and seconded by Councilman Orzel to approve the reading of the Treasurer’s Report. Voice vote.... All in favor..... Motion carried.

Chairman Stavish asked Treasurer Kendzor to read the proposed budgets for 2025.

After Treasurer Kendzor read the 2025 proposed budgets, Chairman Stavish said for the 2025 year property taxes will remain the same at 2.5 mills. Storm Sewer user fee will also remain the same. The Trash/Recycling for 2025 will be \$295.00 that can be paid in two installments which would be January and February. March 1st a \$50.00 fee will be added and in April 1st a \$100.00 fee will be added. Chairman Stavish made a motion to lay the budget on the table for thirty days.

Councilman Przybyla: Public Safety/Community Development/Code Enforcement:

The Fire Department had 17 incidents in the month of October:

10 in West Wyoming 5 in Wyoming 2 in Harding

Code Enforcement had 27 cases addressed for October. Fifteen were On-View and Twelve were complaints.

1 QOL Open burning 2 Parking tickets _ one for blocking a sidewalk and one for parking in a prohibited area at the borough building.

2 Stop work orders due to construction activity occurring without the required uniform construction permits. Permits were then obtained for both jobs.

1 House was condemned due to not having electricity. Condemnation was lifted the following day as UGI restored power to the residence.

Building Permits 9 were issued in Total..7 were residential and 2 were commercial.

Councilman Orzel: Health and Sanitation/ Parks and Recreation Board:

The Fall Newsletter was sent to all Council members and hopefully out to residents by the middle of next month. Linell is working on the contact for Casella and should be sent out by the middle of the month.

Parks and Recreation has the new benches ready for installation and have to work on the removal of old benches. There will be decorating in the park and should start the week of Thanksgiving.

Fall Leaf Pick up was changed to next week, and again in December.

Solicitor Lukesh: Solicitor Lukesh stated that she is aware that 5th street Manor residents were present at the meeting. She will be in touch with Mr. Kamus who

is in charge of Public Works for an update. The Comcast agreement has not been received yet. West Wyoming is not on Astounds list until 2025.

Mayor Colarusso- Mayor Colarusso asked Chief Turner for his report.

There were 432 calls to the WARP for the month of October.

18 Criminal Arrests which included DUI's, Criminal Mischief and Domestic.

There were 39 Traffic Accidents.

Shop with a cop for children will be December 7th Pittston Tomato Festival Grounds. If Grant money is awarded to the WARP they would like to purchase dash cams and 22 Body cams. Also with another grant, they will be converting to Alert Pro as Visual Alert is becoming obsolete.

Mayor Colarusso stated that Jim Ostrowski requested flags from Aaron Kaufer's office and was given two. Mike Kuharchick put up a new one by the baseball field and one on Eighth Street Corners.

Mayor Colarusso asked Council if light can be changed on Shoemaker Ave and 8th street. In answer to his question, the light bulb can be replaced by Rick Kamus but electrical wire concerns should be handled by A&M construction.

Engineer Amato:

Routine Business, The Borough was a recipient of a \$50,000.00 grant for the hose Company building addition.

The bids were received for the Hose Co #1 Building Addition and they are as follows: *General Construction:*

Wodock Construction	\$202,950.00	
H&P Construction	\$325,306.00	All with 10% Bid Bond
D&M Construction	\$380,000.00	
Hadley Construction	\$192,510.42	

Electrical Construction:

Micichi Inc.	\$33,920.00	
Urban Electric	\$24,400.00	All with Bid Bonds
Richard Mellow Elec.	\$41,700.00	
Vishnefski Electric	\$39,484.00	
Apollo Group	\$35,225.00	

Mechanical Construction:

