

## West Wyoming Borough - Council Meeting Minutes September 9, 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, Councilwoman Zaboski, Solicitor Lukesh, Treasurer Kendzor, and Secretary Pedley.

Absent were: Councilman Dolan, Mayor Herbert and Engineer Mike Amato.

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

### OLD BUSINESS- NONE

**Gary Stavish: Chairman-Personnel** - Chairman Stavish announced that the Borough is looking for a substitute crossing guard. An ad will be placed in the paper.

**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 September 8, 2019

#### CASH ACCOUNTS

GENERAL FUND	
ESSA BANK REFUSE	\$111,940.44
FNCB DEBT SERVIC ACCOUNT	\$17,932.89
FNCB GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$592,098.93
FNCB PROPERTY PROCEEDS	\$67,952.11
FNCB REFUSE ACCOUNT	\$194,756.15
PLGIT EARNED INCOME TAX	\$64,037.95
PLGIT PAYROLL	\$4,281.16
PLGIT GENERAL	<u>\$1,399.57</u>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND CHECKINGS/SAVINGS</b>	<b><u>\$1,054,399.20</u></b>

HIGHWAY AID FUND	
PLGIT	<u>\$221,037.10</u>
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY AID CHECKING/SAVINGS</b>	<b><u>\$221,037.10</u></b>

SEWER FUND	
M&T	\$297,686.26
FNCB SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$166,429.53
PLGIT SEWER CREDIT CARD	<u>\$141,631.24</u>
<b>TOTAL SEWER FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS</b>	<b><u>\$605,747.03</u></b>

<b>TOTAL COMBINED CHECKING/SAVINGS</b>	<b><u>\$1,881,183.33</u></b>
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#### COMBINED GENERAL, HIGHWAY AID AND SEWER FUNDS

PLGIT	\$432,387.02
ESSA	\$111,940.44
M&T	<u>\$297,686.26</u>
	<b><u>\$1,881,183.33</u></b>

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

Councilman Colarusso reported that the DPW cleared most of the compost. Residents are welcome to take compost if they want.

Councilman Colarusso stated that he is working with WVSA on storm drains on Holden St.

**Daniel Grescavage: Community Development** - Councilman Grescavage said that he received the report from DEP on the channel, basin and weir that was inspected two months ago and that everything was very good with the exceptions of some minor repairs.

Also, Councilman Grescavage stated that he attended the meeting at Luzerne County Court House in regards to property located at 481 Shoemaker Ave. First time was a continuation, second time the participants did not show up, and the third time it was denied.

**Mike Dolan: Public Safety/Code Enforcement** - In the absence of Councilman Dolan, Chairman Stavish reported on Code Enforcement that there is one outstanding issue that Ken Shefler, our Code Enforcement officer, is working on with property owner on a tenant that is renting. Everything else is cleared.

On the monthly Chief's report: There was vehicle maintenance on car one and two, we are currently getting quotes on new vehicles, and are in the process of looking for a substitute crossing guard. On August 24<sup>th</sup> we had a roving DUI, two criminal arrests and multiple citations. There was another DUI conducted on August 31<sup>st</sup>. One DUI and 8 citations.

Chief Nocera received a letter of resignation from officer Baux. Baux has been hired full time at the University of Scranton and is looking to expand his career.

The police have a few boxes of documents from last year that will be shredded at the shredding event. These documents were previously approved to be shredded.

The police will be conducting additional DUI roving patrols and check points in the near future.

Officers handled approximately 100 calls for service in the month of August. 4 criminal arrests were made and 27 citations were issued.

**Maureen Zaboloski: Administration/Finance**

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

A motion by Councilwoman Zaboloski and seconded by Councilman seconded by Councilman Grescavage, to approve Resolution 2, of 2019 for the destruction of records. This would authorize the destruction of selective Borough records, from the year of 1985 through 1998. It would include invoices, correspondence, reports and would also include police records that have been previously approved. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

A motion by Councilwoman Zaboski to approve Resolution 3, of 2019, where the West Wyoming borough would support the Kiwanis Club of Wyoming Area Hometown Banners Program. We have information on Facebook and our Web Site, where they are going to have banner for Hometown Heroes that will honor our veterans, present and past in the armed services. This was seconded by Councilman Colarusso. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

A motion by Councilwoman Zaboski to transfer \$64,037.95 from the PLGIT EIT Account to FNCB Account, second by Councilman Grescavage. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

Some general announcements. We are having the Document Shredding event for residents of West Wyoming. You can shred up to 3 boxes. The event is Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday morning, from 9AM till noon. It is sponsored by Luzerne County Office. It will be held by the DPW building behind Hose Co. #1.

We are also having an Electronic Recycling event. Rep. Kaufer's office is sponsoring it and it will be held at the Forty Fort Rec. Complex October 24, from 3 to 6 PM. It is \$30.00 to participate per vehicle. It allows you one TV, or one monitor, plus other electronic devices that you may want to get rid of. For more information, contact the borough office. We will have that on our Facebook and Web Sites shortly.

There is also a Tire event, also sponsored by the Luzerne County Office. The closest location is at Hanover High School. That will be Sat. Oct. 12, from 8AM till 2PM. You need to pre-register. There is a 1-800 number to call -- that number is 1-800-821-7654,

#### **Linell Lukesh: Solicitor**

Working with the various committees on the council. We have several things we are working on, which included the Pension Plan and Insurances for this year.

#### **Chief Nocera**

Local towns are getting solicited by black top companies. They are in unmarked trucks and they are charging thousands of dollars. Be careful of these.

#### **Citizens Participation**

Nancy Bronsberg: 19 Marshall Lane---My neighbor, Fran Krispin, and I have issues with County Waste with damage being done to our properties. I have contacted CW management over a year and a half ago when they did damage to my fence, and I got nowhere with them. After I saw the damage they have done to her property while she was away, I took photographs. They actually backed up this monster truck on this lane and went over her lawn. You can see the tire marks, crushed her cinder blocks, that she had as a barrier, at the bottom of her lot. Crushed them into the ground so that they drove over them. These trucks are big. Our road is not designed for that type of a vehicle. I know that CW has smaller trucks. I contacted them and spoke to Donna Linley. She told me to file a report on line, which I did do back in August. Then she wanted photos. I did that as well. The damage to my fence and to her property. This was not the first time. Nothing is being done. I have reached out to her twice and have not heard a word. I reached out again this past week and said I have not heard anything from you. We paid, all of our neighbors paid, to have that road paved and it is being destroyed. We have a problem and I want the council to be aware of it. Council looked at the pictures and asked if they were sent to CW and she replied that she had.

Ann Olejnik –1540 Shoemaker Ave.

How do we get someone to clean the creek by Cooper Hill. It has not been cleaned well in a couple of years. They weed-whacked it, but did not pick up the mess. The creek itself needs to be cleaned out.

Councilman Stavish stated that it will be looked at and ask WVSA Stormwater Mgmt. to look at it.

Councilman Colarusso stated that DEP should look into the matter.

Councilwoman Zaboloski stated to go to the DEP Web site. One of the categories should be water run-off and they should be able to help.

A motion made to adjourn by Councilman Colarusso, seconded by Councilman Grescavage. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.