

West Wyoming Borough- Minutes - October 12, 2015

The monthly meeting of West Wyoming Borough was called to order by Councilwoman Skok. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken by Secretary Zaboski and the following were present: Grescavage, Cipriani, Stavish, Skok, Dolan, Stevens, Mayor Herbert, Solicitor Lukesh, Engineer Amato (absent), Treasurer DeSanto and Secretary Zaboski.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted by Councilwoman Skok and seconded by Dolan. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Gary Stavish- Vice Chair- Personnel & Recreation: Halloween is approaching and the Recreation Board will be distributing bags of candy to children at the Borough building and at West Wyoming Hose Co #2 on Stites St. Bags of candy will be distributed starting at 6:00 pm until all bags are gone. The Recreation Board is also sponsoring a coloring photo event, not a contest, which they will randomly draw on and will take place for Thanksgiving. Gift cards to Toys R Us will be given out.

Personnel: Stavish made a motion to hire Alaisha Sherwood, seconded by Cipriani, for 24 hours per week, not to exceed 32 hours, as a part-time police officer. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Eileen Cipriani-Administration & Finance: Cipriani called upon Treasurer DeSanto for the monthly reading of The Treasurer’s Report. It is as follows:

| | <u>10/12/15</u> | General, Sewer & Highway Aid Funds | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|---------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Current Assets | | | | |
| Checking/Savings | | | | |
| 112.100 · LUZ BK Growing Greener | 350.97 | No Activity | Luzerne | 850.97 |
| 112.150 · LUZERNE BANK REFUSE ACCT | <u>500.00</u> | | PLGIT | 93,353.18 |
| 107.000 · PLGIT-PAYROLL | 6,880.30 | | PNC | 366,229.22 |
| 105.000 · PLGIT- GENERAL | 627.53 | No Activity | ESSA | 126,690.86 |
| | | | M&T | <u>412,094.98</u> |
| 100.000 · PNC BANK - PRIMARY CHECKING | 170,066.06 | | | <u>999,219.21</u> |
| 110.000 · PNC CAPITAL RESERVE | 96,400.15 | No Activity | | |
| 115.000 · PNC DEBT SERVICE | 60,647.52 | | | |
| 115.000 · PLGIT SEWER CREDIT CARD | 3,524.62 | | | |
| 115.000 · PLGIT EIT | 14,433.26 | | | |
| 118.100 · ESSA Refuse | 126,690.81 | | | |
| 118.200 · ESSA Debt Service | 0.05 | No Activity | | |
| Highway Aid Fund | | | | |
| 35-107-000 CASH-PLIGIT | <u>67,887.47</u> | | | |

| <i>Sewer Fund</i> | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 08-100-000 PNC-SEWER FUND CKG | 39,115.49 |
| 08-100-100 M&T-SEWER FUND CKG | <u>412,094.98</u> |

Motion made by Cipriani, seconded by Grescavage, to approve the Treasurer's Report. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion made by Cipriani, seconded by Stavish, to approve all outstanding bills approved by the Finance Committee. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion made by Cipriani, seconded by Stevens, to approve Luzerne County's Mitigation Plan. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion made by Cipriani, seconded by Dolan, to approve payment of the Volunteer Fire Relief Allocation of \$15,404.12 to be divided equally between WW Hose Co. #1 & WW Hose Co. #2. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion made by Cipriani, seconded by Grescavage, to re-advertise the sale of the Moonlite property. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Shade tree orders are now being taken. Any resident interested in a free tree may contact Secretary Zaboski

Cipriani commented that the Borough is in the process of surveying for CDBG Block Grant Funding that could be used for infrastructure improvements in areas deemed to be low income. Seven streets have been surveyed. At this point, none fit into the survey parameters partly because of higher income levels and lack of response and co-operation. At this point, we have submitted the grant to do ADA-compliant upgrades to the municipal building. There would be repairs to ramp and sidewalks surrounding the building. If we are able to find a street that fits into this, we will keep trying.

Dan Grescavage- Community Development: Announced that the Shoemaker Avenue Bridge is now open to the public. Thanked Penn Dot for a job well done and also stated that the project was completed before its targeted date of October 23rd. Workers are working 24/7 on the bridge on upper 8th St. This project will also be completed soon. He reminded residents to be careful when crossing Wyoming Ave, due to speeding cars.

Mike Dolan- Public Safety/Health&Sanitation: Gave report on West Wyoming Emergency Services Monthly Chief's Report for September. Forty-seven alarms- 5 rescue company assist- 1 motor vehicle accident- 1 investigation-1 tree and roadway- 39 EMS. Fire Police unit responded to 6 calls. Dolan reminded residents that Hose Co # 2, located at 218 Stites St, is holding its 2nd annual Chicken Barbeque. This will take place on Sunday, Nov. 1st from 1 to 5. Tickets are \$10 each. Eat in or take outs are

available. Advance ticket purchase necessary. Residents may call Cindy at 570-262-3997 or John at 580-239-4416.

Also, Hose Co # 1 will be having its annual Fall Craft Show on Saturday, Nov 14th. Vendor space is available, but limited. Cost for vendor space is \$20.00. For more information, please call 954-4531.

Walt Stevens-Public Facilities/Health & Sanitation: Stevens reminded residents about the 2nd Paper Shredding event that will take place behind Hose Co # 1 on Shoemaker Ave. Saturday, Oct. 17th, from 9:00 to 11:30am. 2100 hundred pounds of paper were shredded at the last event.

Solicitor Lukesh- No Report

Mayor Herbert- Two members of the Fire Department were sworn-in. First: Maureen Zaboski was sworn in as West Wyoming Fire Police Lieutenant and another was Marty Macklin as West Wyoming Fire Police. The Mayor commented on the wonderful job the Fire Police do and how dedicated they are to the safety of our community. Congratulations to both of them.

Police Report: 109 calls for month of September. The Mayor wished all a Happy Columbus Day and reminded all that Friday, Oct 30th is Mischief Night. Saturday, Oct 31st is Halloween. West Wyoming will have extra police patrols out for both nights. Mayor advised all to be extra careful while driving on both nights. Mayor also reminded all that Daylight Savings Time ends at midnight on Sat., the 31st, Halloween night. Turn clocks back one hour. Replace batteries in smoke alarms and CO detectors. Remember, fall back one hour.

November is National Adoption Month, Sun. Nov 1st is All Saints Day, and ladies, Thurs., Nov 5th is National Men Make Dinner Day.

The Mayor reminded all that Tuesday, Nov. 3rd is Election Day. Residents residing from West 8th Street to Exeter Borough border – vote at the Town Hall. Residents residing elsewhere in West Wyoming, vote at the West Wyoming Fire Department Hall on Shoemaker Ave. Voting polls open from 7am to 8pm on Election Day. Exercise your right and privilege and cast a ballot. Vote!!!!

No Citizen's Participation.

Motion made by Cipriani, seconded by Stavish to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Borough Secretary