

Minutes- March 9th, 2015 West Wyoming Borough Council Meeting

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

Motion by Skok, seconded by Dolan to approve the minutes from last month’s meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Councilwoman Skok announced that an Executive Session was held before the Council meeting to discuss personnel issues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Gary Stavish- Vice Chair- Personnel & Recreation: Motion by Stavish, seconded by Cipriani, to hire part-time Street Dept Worker. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion by Stavish, seconded by Grescavage, to hire part-time police officers as needed. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

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

	<u>03/09/15</u>	General, Sewer & Highway Aid Funds		
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Checking/Savings				
112.100 · LUZ BK Growing Greener	385.93	No Activity	Luzerne	385.93
112.150 · LUZERNE BANK REFUSE ACCT	<u>0.00</u>	No Activity	PLGIT	91,463.70
107.000 · PLGIT-PAYROLL	11,122.73		PNC	232,970.89
105.000 · PLGIT- GENERAL	627.45	No Activity	ESSA	246,334.88
			M&T	<u>341,752.50</u>
100.000 · PNC BANK - PRIMARY CHECKING	87,178.49			<u>912,907.90</u>
110.000 · PNC CAPITAL RESERVE	3,398.70	No Activity		
115.000 · PNC DEBT SERVICE	0.89			
115.000 · PLGIT SEWER CREDIT CARD	1,486.21			
115.000 · PLGIT EIT	45,017.00			
118.100 · ESSA Refuse	246,334.83			
118.200 · ESSA Debt Service	0.05	No Activity		
Highway Aid Fund				
35-107-000 CASH-PLIGIT	<u>33,210.31</u>			

<i>Sewer Fund</i>	
08-100-000 PNC-SEWER FUND CKG	142,392.81
08-100-100 M&T-SEWER FUND CKG	<u>341,752.50</u>

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Stavish, to approve the Monthly Treasurer’s Report. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

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

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Stavish, to sell 2009 Crown Victoria police cruiser and 2005 Ford SUV police vehicle. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Dolan, to pass the FERC Resolution which formalizes West Wyoming Borough’s concerns and comments regarding the PennEast pipeline project. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Dolan, to place Northeast Revenue Hybrid Collection Ordinance on the table for 30 days. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Grescavage, to transfer \$5000 from PNC General to Debt service. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Stavish, to accept the audit proposal from Prociak & Associates. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Dan Grescavage- Community Development: Grescavage commented that due to the cold and snow, building permits were slow in the months of January and February. Now that Spring is coming, pick-up on permits will begin.

Mike Dolan- Public Safety/Code Enforcement: Dolan read the Fire Chief’s Report. The West Wyoming Fire department responded to twelve alarms in February: two flooding calls, one wire down, one motor vehicle collision, one EMS assist, three engine company assists, and four engine company assists. The Fire Police unit responded to eight alarms for a total of 8 man hours.

All residents are reminded to change the batteries in the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in their homes. According to the National Fire Protection Association, two thirds of all fire deaths occur in homes without smoke detectors, and the CDC reports that more than 500 people a year die from unintentional, non-fire related CO poisoning. These detectors add an important level of safety to your home.

Hose Company # 1 will be holding their annual spring craft show at the firehouse on Shoemaker Ave., on Saturday March 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hose Co # 1 is also holding their annual pizza sale every Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the fire house. Pizzas are \$10 unbaked, \$12 baked and local delivery is available.

On Code Enforcement: Landlord inspections are continuing. There is a hearing on the 24th on the vehicle violation on Washington Ave.

Walt Stevens- Public Facilities/ Health & Sanitation: In the absence of Stevens, Cipriani made the motion, seconded by Dolan, to purchase road signs for Shoemaker Ave. Voice vote all in favor. Motion passes.

Solicitor Lukesh: No report.

Mayor Herbert: 114 police calls over last month.

Rep. Aaron Kaufer's office notified me today that the Rep. has received several phone calls pertaining to the severe potholes on Shoemaker Avenue in West Wyoming. The Rep. has notified PennDot of the problem and requested they place some patching materials in the severe potholes as soon as possible.

Rear Admiral Scott Giberson, son of Carmella Giberson Nardone and the late Delmar Giberson is a former W.A. Graduate from West Wyoming. Rear Admiral Giberson is an Acting Deputy Surgeon General of the United States and Commander of the Public Health Service Commissioned Corp's Ebola Response in West Africa. He spent six weeks in Liberia where he cared for Ebola patients while training and helping set up the only U. S. government hospital in Liberia. In addition to all the above, he is director of 6,700 plus members of the Commissioned Corps Headquarters in Maryland.

Rear Admiral Scott Giberson and his wife, Lynette have a 13 year old son, Payton and live in Maryland. He tries to come back home whenever he gets the opportunity and always goes out for pizza. He says maybe he will bring the Surgeon General back to our area for some real pizza. We are proud of you Scott!!!

Some important dates before our next Council Meeting are: Tuesday, March 17th is St. Patrick's Day when everyone seems to be Irish even if for one day, Friday, April 3rd is Good Friday, Saturday April 4th Passover begins at sundown on the 3rd, Sunday, April 5th is Easter Sunday.

FROM MY FAMILY TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, HAVE A BELSSED AND HAPPY EASTER

Mike Amato – Engineer- Looking forward to spring, new projects will begin, and old projects finished.

Citizens Participation – Adrienne Panuski – Thank you to Council for listening to our concerns and commenting to FERC. Thank you also for asking for support from our State Representative and Senator. Everyone is grateful.

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Cipriani, second by Councilman Stavish.