

Minutes- April 11, 2016- West Wyoming Borough

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

Councilman Stavish stated for the record that Council met in Executive session regarding a personnel matter before the start of the Council meeting.

Stavish asked if there were any corrections or anything missed in last month's minutes. He then asked for a motion by Cipriani, seconded by Dolan, to approve the previous month's minutes..Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Walter Stevens-Vice Chair- Personnel,Public Facilities, Health & Sanitation: Mentioned the hours that the Compost Yard will be open on Saturday from 10 till 2 and gave dates on the pick-up of yard waste.

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

	<u>04/11/16</u>	General, Sewer & Highway Aid Funds		
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Checking/Savings				
112.100 · LUZ BK Growing Greener	313.01	No Activity	Luzerne	161,563.06
112.150 · LUZERNE BANK REFUSE ACCT	<u>114,350.05</u>		PLGIT	59,207.80
107.000 · PLGIT-PAYROLL	7,697.04		PNC	215,414.48
105.000 · PLGIT- GENERAL	1.05		ESSA	152,825.90
			M&T	<u>294,071.92</u>
100.000 · PNC BANK - PRIMARY CHECKING	147,541.54			<u>883,083.16</u>
110.000 · PNC CAPITAL RESERVE	-	No Activity		
112.175 · LUZERNE BANK LSA-COG	46,900.00			
115.000 · PNC DEBT SERVICE	27,298.28			
115.000 · PLGIT SEWER CREDIT CARD	40.05			
115.000 · PLGIT EIT	904.18			
118.100 · ESSA Refuse	152,825.85			
118.200 · ESSA Debt Service	0.05	No Activity		

Highway Aid Fund

35-107-000 CASH-PLIGIT	<u>50,565.48</u>
<i>Sewer Fund</i>	
08-100-000 PNC-SEWER FUND CKG	40,574.66
08-100-100 M&T-SEWER FUND CKG	<u>294,071.92</u>

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Stevens, to approve the treasurer's report. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Stevens, to approve Resolution# 2 of 2016 that West Wyoming will join the NJPA which is a nationwide bidding service for commodities and equipment. This is the nationwide version which gives us the ability to get pricing. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Cipriani, seconded by Dolan, to transfer \$100,000 from M&T Sewer Acct to PNC Sewer Acct. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried

Daniel Grescavage- Community Development/ Recreation- For Community Development business as usual.. Recreation- no report.

Mike Dolan- Public Safety/Code Enforcement: Emergency Services Report for month of March : calls 57. 1 public assist-3motor vehicle assists. 1 gas leak- 2 brush fires- 1 garbage fire- 3 structure fires-1 wire down- 39 EMS call. 6EMS assist to Fire Dept. Six members from the Fire Dept attended a 16hr. WildLand Fire Fighting class. West Wyoming Ambulance is now hiring EMT's anyone interested may call 570-693-3660. West Wyoming Fire and Ambulance Dept are always looking for volunteers anyone interested may contact one of the most current members of Hose Co 1 or # 2. No report on Code Enforcement. Dolan commented that the motion for Mutual Aid needs to stay on the table for a couple more days. Will be addressed at next month's meeting. There was a total of 130 police calls for the month of March.

Solicitor Lukesh- Said that the Boro has received a response from Cumming Ins in regards to the RFP for all insurances. Besides that business as usual.

Engineer Amato- The water company will be completing the project . Did not get to meet with Jim Hoover but a meeting will be set up. There is an interest from a contractor for the compost site. In the past, the Boro did have help in getting rid of stuff. A letter will be submitted to the borough, then we will be transferring it legally. There are two projects that will be done, Popple Construction has started a resurfacing project on the back road that will be going from Swoyersville to Exeter. They will be doing handicap ramps and resurfacing. . The second will be on Eighth Street to Kingston Twp. It is called a side repair. Lastly we will try for Grants for projects. We will research the DCR project.

Citizens Participation.

Mark Mizzer- To Councilman Dolan, I believe you received a letter from Mike Kuharchik about his interest for the borough fire chief position. At this time, I would like you to consider Mike Kuharchik for Fire Chief. Are there any objections to that?. Councilman Dolan responded that he did some research and found that there is a old memo in the file in regards to the position – abilities , qualifications, appointments, residency, and evaluation . Basically it was what the public safety committee had developed in 2010. At that time, they were in the process of doing an appointment and appointed Matt Granteed at that time. I went thru Matt's files and complete with his resume and a bunch of certificates that appear to me at least to far exceed what Michael has here at least what he submitted. The council has given some consideration to this and we have two fire departments in town. They have named as members their own chiefs, the borough has one chief in town which the borough has appointed by the council for the town. The volunteer fire departments although they consider themselves chiefs at each location, they are not borough chiefs, they probably they would appropriately called captains as head of their respective fire departments. The chief appointed by the borough has authority over both fire companies in town. I believe that having Matt Granteed in that office and we have been satisfied with his qualifications in the past and although Michael made at least one phone call to me asking if we would consider him and I discussed this with people and we have Matt in that position right now and that he is qualified and I do not think we need to revisit that again for another 2 years, when we form our government. A lengthy discussion followed on the advertising, qualifications and appointments of Fire Chief. Mizzer wanted it stated in the minutes that he appeared at 2 consecutive meetings and tried to implore Council to consider the advertisement. Cipriani stated she had some questions about the audit and would like to speak to someone from that Hose Co # 2. Mizzer said the audit was completed and all things are clear.

Fiorella Fronzoni from East Brady street – My complaint is about all the trucks and the noise by my house. West Brady is paved and in good repair but my street has a lot of holes and needs to be repaired Also when I need to exit my street I cannot see oncoming traffic. To the left, there is a hill that has a lot of grass and obstacles and it is hard to see. I need holes repaired and that hill taken down. Council will have some one look at the situation.

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Cipriani, seconded by Councilman Dolan. Voice vote all in favor.
Motion carried