

Council Meeting Minutes- March 13, 2017

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, Councilman Dolan, Vice-Chairwoman Zaboski, Mayor Herbert, Solicitor Lukesh, Engineer Amato, Treasurer Kendzor, Secretary Pedley.

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

Chairman Stavish stated that prior to the Work Session meeting on March 6th, Council held an Executive Session to discuss the boro owned property that is being sold.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Randy Colarusso: Public Facilities- Colarusso made a motion , seconded by Grescavage, to approve all outstanding bills approved by the Finance Committee. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Colarusso called upon Treasurer Kendzor for the reading of the Treasurer's report. It is as follows:

**WEST WYOMING BOROUGH  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
AS OF MARCH 12, 2017**

<b>CASH ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>COMBINED GENERAL, HIGHWAY AID AND SEWER FUNDS</b>	
<i>GENERAL FUND</i>		
ESSA BANK REFUSE	\$178,256.53	<b>PLGIT</b> \$231,518.27
FNCB DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT	\$20,003.57	<b>PNC</b> \$122,007.59
FNCB GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$74,567.30	<b>ESSA</b> \$178,256.53
FNCB REFUSE ACCOUNT	\$122,171.56	<b>M&amp;T</b> \$405,692.30
PLGIT PAYROLL	\$9,114.01	<b>FNCB</b> \$260,462.80
PLGIT GENERAL	\$12,102.17	<u><b>\$1,197,937.49</b></u>
PLGIT EARNED INCOME TAX	\$92,211.07	
PNC BANK PRIMARY CHECKING	\$58,166.87	
PNC DEBT SERVICE	\$22,267.62	
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS</b>	<u><b>\$588,860.70</b></u>	
<i>HIGHWAY AID FUND</i>		
PLGIT	\$93,527.82	
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY AID FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS</b>	<u><b>\$93,527.82</b></u>	

<b>SEWER FUND</b>	
<b>PNC BANK SEWER FUND CHECKING</b>	\$41,573.10
<b>M&amp;T SEWER</b>	\$405,692.30
<b>FNCB DEBT SERVICES</b>	\$27,629.72
<b>FNCB SEWER OPERATING FUND</b>	\$16,090.65
<b>PLGIT SEWER CREDIT CARD</b>	<u>\$24,563.20</u>
<b>TOTAL SEWER FUND CHECKING/SAVINGS</b>	<u><b>\$515,548.97</b></u>
<b>TOTAL COMBINED CHECKING/SAVINGS</b>	<u><u><b>\$1,197,937.49</b></u></u>

A motion to accept the treasure report as read by Treasurer Mark Kendzor, seconded by Councilman Dolan. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

Councilman Colarusso – Public Facilities

A motion was made by Councilman Colarusso to approve all outstanding bills approved by the finance committee, seconded by Councilman Grescavage. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

Councilman Colarusso gave an update on the DPW. The pump station on 3rd. St. is all complete. There were some repairs done on 4th St. They are all ready to go now. The next pump station to work on is the one on 5th St.

Councilman Grescavage – Community Development/Recreation

Our building inspector from Northeast Code has retired, we now have Kenneth Shefler. He will be doing building inspection and code enforcement.

Penn Dot agreed to cut the curbs down in front of two places on Shoemaker Ave.

Don Saunders asked about the wall pushing in by the creek and two gentlemen from Aaron Kaufer’s office and a gentleman from DEP came to check. They will return in the summer to see if a low cost repair would be implemented.

A motion by Councilman Grescavage to approve \$750.00 annual contribution to be given to the Memorial Day Parade Committee, second by Councilwoman Zaboloski. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

Councilman Dolan – Public Safety/Code Enforcement

Monthly Chiefs Report – West Wyoming Emergency Services responded to fifty-nine alarms in February. Six Rescue company Assists

One engine company assists

Forty-nine EMS calls

One motor vehicle collision

Two rapid intervention team assists

Hose Company # 1 is currently hiring EMTs for duty crew positions. Applications can be obtained from any member or by calling 570-693-3660

Hose Company #1 Lenten Pizza sale began on March 3 and will continue every Friday during Lent. Baked and unbaked pizzas will be available along with local delivery. Pre orders are encouraged and can be placed by calling 693-1811 and leaving a message.

Hose Company #1 will also have a Spring Craft Show on April 8 at 9 AM till 3 PM. For more information call 570-693-3660.

February was a quiet month for Code Enforcement.

The police Chief's report – there were two officer on roving patrol on February 4th. There were 7 citations issued and the Borough was reimbursed for the cost of these patrols. It was good to know that there were no DUI arrests. The Borough is still looking to install a camera system for the Borough Building.

One patrolman was added and will be on full duty by the end of this month.

Councilwoman Zaboloski – Administration/Finance, Health and Sanitation.

Motion by Councilwoman Zaboloski to approve the Pave Cut Ordinance Revision (Ordinance 3 of 2017) to adjust the fees on the Pave Cut , second by Councilman Colarusso. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

On health and Sanitation – On April 6th yard waste will start. This will be from Atherton Park to but not including 8th St. April 13 will be from 8th St. to the Exeter Line. April 10 will be our Spring Bulk Pick Up. (2 bulk items per house hold, also smaller items can be put out in boxes as long it does not exceed 5 cubic feet.) As far as refuse payments are concerned we are in the \$300.00 phase. Residents who have not made payments should make them very soon.

The compost site will also be open starting April 6.

Engineer Amato

We have been coordinating with the DPW on the Pump Stations trying to get Jim up to speed with any mappings we have, and the boro has to maintain the draining on the state roads. We attended a meeting with WWSA on the Storm Water Management Program. This was about the second or third meeting we had. There are about 36 municipalities involved with this and what I would suggest is that we meet with a committee and discuss some of these items.

Solicitor – Linell Lukesh

Mr. Chairman I want to advise the council that I already sent them the decision from our local state hearing officer, regarding the police pension adjustment for a previous officer. It has been rendered and we will be able to adjust that pension to the correct figure, moving forward and retroactively. From the special meeting, I was reviewing the idling of cars. I will look into this further. I will be reaching out to the police and another consultant to see what if anything would be of concern about the idling of the cars with the respect to the potential drive in.

Mayor Herbert.

Before I go into my report. I have the honor to call up our new Police Chief Curtis Nocera, who will be sworn into office officially. Tonight we have the honor and privilege to swear in Officer Nocera to Police Chief, one of the most honored and dangerous positions in the world. If there was a emergency in our community the police officers are the first to help. Officer Curtis Nocera, raise your right hand and repeat after me: I Curtis Norcera, do solemnly swear and affirm, that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States of America, the Constitution of Pennsylvania, the laws and ordinances of Luzerne County, and the Borough of West Wyoming. I will faithfully discharge my duties, as Chief of Police of West Wyoming Borough, to the best of my skills and ability. So help me God.

Congratulations to you Chief Nocera.

For the month of February we had 130 calls with 3 criminal arrests /warrants and 33 citations issued.

It was noted that the severe weather alert was issued. Please heed all of the safety tips, and do not go out driving if you do not have to. Watch out for the elderly and your neighbors.

The first day of Spring is on Monday, March the 29th.

#### Citizens Participation –

Pat Pacovsky 1180 Shoemaker Ave. – Was the Creek between the Moonlight and Shoemaker Ave. looked at? Council man Grescavage stated that the gentleman from Penn dot came on Wednesday, during the snow storm, he looked at the creek on 8th St. but did not look at the creek down by your house. I mentioned about that creek and he said he would come back in the summer. Is there any way you can post your work session on line. Councilman Stavis stated that our work sessions are on the first Monday of every month, they were posted in the paper for a year, and the last Sunday in December, which is required by law, it is also posted on the board outside. We do not take minutes at the work session. Pat stated that her problem is about the Moonlight Drive-In. Everything was said and done before the neighbors had a chance to participate. Maybe if we all knew what was happening before hand, everybody would have been here to voice their opinion. Supposedly this has been going on for years and we are right there in the neighborhood and nobody every contacted us or said a word that there was going to be a drive in. I went through every council minutes meeting, from January 2010 to 2017 and there was one sentence about the Moonlight Drive-in. There was nothing about an interest in it becoming a drive in. There was nothing there about selling it or intentions to sell it or anything. It would have been nice if we could have put our input in this.

John Hizny – Spoke about the Moonlight and it being wet lands. Councilman Stavish stated that the buyer understands about the wet lands.

A discussion was held about the recycling. Councilman Stavish stated that they were looking into having the recycling picked up but it will be an extra cost to the residence. I do not think they would want that.

At this time council called an executive session to discuss personnel issues.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Councilman Colarusso, second by Councilman Dolan. Voice vote all in favor. Motion Carried.

