

COUNCIL MEETING OF WESLEYVILLE BOROUGH

HELD BY ZOOM

April 14, 2021 at 6:00pm

*** APPROVED MEETING MINUTES ***

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Lombardozzi, President 6:01pm
2. **Invocation:** Mr. Lombardozzi, President
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Lombardozzi, President
4. **Roll Call:**
 - a. Present: Mr. Lombardozzi, Council President; Mr. Rhodes, Solicitor; Councilors: Mr. Briggs; Mrs. Lijewski; Mr. Petrini; Mr. Pitonyak. Mr. Bills, Mayor (arrived at 6:05pm)
 - b. Absent: Mrs. Julius; Mr. Silbaugh
5. **Citizens to Address Council:** N/A
6. **PD Code Enforcement/PD Activity Report:**
7. **Approve Agenda:** Motion made by Mr. Pitonyak, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve 4/14/2021 agenda, no further discussion, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
8. **Approve Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Pitonyak to approve 3/10/21draft meeting minutes, Mr. Petrini questioned if there were addresses provided for the citizens to speak, Eric Johnson, Cecil Woodle and Lisa Huff. Those addresses were not provided at the meeting but were found after the fact and will be added to the meeting minutes. Mr. Petrini asked what the duplicate fees are being discussed. Mr. Silbaugh and Mrs. Silbaugh have both been asked to explain but has not been resolved, no further discussion, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
9. **New Business:**
 - a. Motion made by Mr. Briggs, seconded by Mr. Pitonyak, Mr. Petrini asked if there was a list of overdue taxes on properties which Mr. Lombardozzi stated that it is published in the newspaper or from the Tax Collector. Questioned if the property maintenance officer would be able to determine if the list furnished to look into the potential blighted properties. Mrs. Lijewski discussed the property behind her home and how it a blighted property. Has contacted Code Enforcement and was told that they have done everything that they can do. to approve Resolution 2021-10 to remove remaining taxes on Parcel 50-001-006.0-008.81 located at 1810 Circle Drive.
 - b. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Pitonyak to approve Resolution 2021-11 to remove remaining taxes on Parcel 50-001-006.1-001.18 located at 3224 Ventoura Drive. Mrs. Lijewski questioned that there are 2 parcel numbers which is the same property but different usage. Mr. Briggs explained that there is a new trailer on the same lot. Mr. Rhodes explained that he does not have the specific information and the resolution is to exonerate the levied taxes on the mobile home not the property. No further discussion, motion carries.
 - c. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Pitonyak to approve Resolution 2021-12 to remove remaining taxes on Parcel 50-001-001.0-002.50 located at 2706 Pearl Avenue. No discussion, motion carries.
 - d. Motion made by Mr. Briggs, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve the purchase of current IPMC 2021 Property Maintenance Code books and to update as each new edition is published. Discussion as to cost of the books, will purchase the number of books that would equal up to \$200.00, no further discussion, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
 - e. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Briggs to advertise IPMC vehicle inspection sticker as published in 2021 IPMC Property Maintenance Code. Discussion follows as to how this affects the residents and how some vehicles would be exempt (such as antique classified vehicles). Roll call vote:
AYE: Mr. Petrini, Mr. Briggs, Mr. Lombardozzi, Mrs. Lijewski
NAY: Mr. Pitonyak
Motion carries 4 to 1
 - f. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Briggs to advertise change in ordinance (Section 6; 21-502 Responsibility for removal from sidewalks and around fire hydrants. Discussion follows as to what the resident is responsible for. Roll Call Vote:
AYE: Mr. Petrini, Mr. Lombardozzi, Mrs. Lijewski,
NAY: Mr. Briggs, Mr. Pitonyak
Motion carries 3 to 2

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- g. Motion made by Mr. Briggs, seconded by Mr. Pitoynak to approve Proposed By-Law Change from East County Emergency Medical Services regarding employment rules. No further discussion, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
- h. Motion made by Mr. Pitoynak, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve sewer/garbage forgiveness for 1717 Bird Drive. Mrs. Ann Rosenthal presented information regarding current owner account information and is asking for forgiveness as they are purchasing the home. Discussion follows to approve forgiveness for Sewer Penalty of \$368.77, Garbage Penalty of \$214.87, Garbage \$1,034.00 & Sewer 11% \$207.52 TOTAL forgiveness = \$1,825.16. Discussion follows. Roll call vote:
AYE: Mr. Pitonyak, Mr. Petrini, Mr. Lombardozzi, Mrs. Lijewski
NAY: Mr. Briggs
Motion carries 4 to 1
10. **Citizen to Address Council:** Steve Alfieri – 2529 Station Road – Resident, new Wesleyville business owner, member of WHC firefighter and holds a # of positions with the fire department. Question that he has is what is the amount that is on 2020 approved budget in the amount of \$42,000 which is his understand that is for East Erie County Emergency Communication Center. Wanted to know if there is a contract this is a budgeted amount how much is spent contract what does the 42,000 expectation of services from EECECC. Using them with the fire department for as an extra set of numbers or an EMS call that they are unable to get too. Stated that every time that EECECC is called WHC pays them somewhere around \$85.00. Mr. Lombardozzi explained that the three surrounding communities of Wesleyville, Lawrence Park and Harborcreek support the organization. The 42,000 providing for the community the ALS, BLS and back up service when the community's own services are unable to go out. Under a 5-year contract to support the services. Mr. Alfieri stated that they (WHC) are having issues of answer calls during the day and feels that they are improving the evening calls. Continued discussion regarding the services provided and the potential of "double dipping billing" brought up by Mrs. Alfieri. Mr. Lombardozzi invited the Alfieri's' to attend the next EECECC public meeting on Tuesday, April 20th.
11. **Treasurer's Report:**
- Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Pitonyak to approve Check Detail for March 2021. Mr. Petrini question bill from BB's Truck & Auto, will verify that check # 6559 has been voided. No further discussion, motion carries.
 - Activity report
12. **PWGS:** Activity report. Mr. Petrini added that the picnic tables are put together and waterproofed.
13. **Sewer/Zoning/Permit:** Activity report
14. **Wesleyville Hose Company –** Activity report
15. **Borough Council Department Chairs:**
- Mr. Petrini – nothing to add
 - Mrs. Lijewski:
 - Borough Cell phone for Mrs. Roseberry is to canceled that was bought to carry during COVID shutdown. No motion needed.
 - Personnel Committee – Position profiles were received later than intended and unable to pass out to Council. A candidate was interviewed by Mrs. Lijewski and Mr. Gross for the temporary Full Time PWGS Laborer position with a CDL Class A. Motion made by Mrs. Lijewski, seconded by Mr. Petrini to hire William Nash for the position at the rate of \$13.25/hour and start time will be determined after pre-employment DOT physical and drug screen. Roll call vote:
AYE: Mrs. Lijewski, Mr. Petrini, Mr. Lombardozzi, Mr. Pitonyak
NAY: Mr. Briggs
Motion carries 4 to 1
 - Wesleyville Community Day has secured the fireworks vendor for August
 - Wanted to bring up that there appears to be an Air BnB in the Borough.
 - Mr. Briggs – Question to Mr. Lombardozzi when there is a fire are multiple fire departments called at the same time – yes - Mutual Aid Alarm.

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- d. Mr. Pitonyak – Wanted to know how many households there are in the Borough (Mr. Lombardozzi answered 1,324) and how much per ton waste. Has been discussing having a glass recycling with Bayfront Glass Recycling. There is a cost of \$50/month with 4 pickups per month

16. Borough Officers:

- a. Mayor – Mr. Bills – Asked if there has been information regarding the \$300,000 that was published in the newspaper. As soon as information is available it will be given out.
Brought up the Police Department vehicle lease due to the fact that the current vehicles are having issues (only had one patrol car during a day this past week). Motion made by Mrs. Lijewski – no second.
- b. **Mr. Rhodes, Solicitor** – Discussed the resolution (2021-13) for approving an easement to the PA Fish and Boat Commission. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Pitonyak to approved the Resolution. No further discussion, motion carries.
- c. Mayor Bills – Working for funeral home, Wesleyville Hose Company and Officer Hawryliw were instrumental at the scene at one of the places the funeral home had to be at and back at the funeral home and wanted to Thank them officially in the meeting minutes.
- d. Council President – Mr. Lombardozzi Reminded everyone that next Tuesday morning (4/20 at 9:30am) there will be an East County EMS meeting, anyone is welcome to attend.
- e. Council Vice President – Mrs. Julius – absent

17. Good of the Order:

- a. Next Work Session Council Meeting: Wednesday, April 28, 2021, 6:00pm, held by Zoom.
- b. Next Regular Council Meeting: Wednesday, May 12, 2021 6:00pm, held by Zoom

18. Meeting Adjournment: 8:26pm

Meeting Minutes Approved:


Borough Secretary

Date: 5/12/2021