

COUNCIL MEETING WESLEYVILLE BOROUGH

Borough Hall, 3421 Buffalo Road, Erie, PA 16510

December 14, 2022 at 6:00PM

Approved Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** 6:00 PM, Mrs. Julius, President
2. **Invocation:** Mrs. Julius, President
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mrs. Julius, President
4. **Roll Call:**
 - a. Present: Mr. Johnson, Mayor; Mrs. Julius, President; Mr. Petrini, Vice President; Councilors: Mr. Alfieri, Mrs. Morrow, Mr. Pitonyak, Mr. Silbaugh, Mr. Wilder; Chief Buzanowski, Police Dept.; Mrs. Horanic, Secretary/ Treasurer; Mr. Betza, Solicitor; Mr. Dyne; Borough Manager
5. **Citizens to address Council: (5- minute time limit per signed-in citizen)**
 - a. Jason Fenno: Parking lot issues with North Street parking lot. There seems to be a lot of junk in the parking lot would like this taken care of as this is an eye sore. Mrs. Julius said she would look into the lease on this matter. Another concern is council people bashing others on Facebook. Finds this to be extremely embarrassing as the council is to represent the people. Would like something to be addressed within or something.
 - b. Fank Hall: Will speak after Delores Hales
 - c. Pete Kloszewski: Update for council, Renewal for the ambulance license was done December 14, 2022. They passed and this is good for another 3 years. Mayor Johnson has reached out about recruitment. They will be working on this.
6. **Approve Agenda:** Motion made by Mr. Pitonyak, seconded by Mr. Wilder to approve the December 14, 2022 agenda, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
7. **Approve Meeting Minutes:**
 - a. November 16, 2022: Motion made by Mr. Pitonyak, seconded by Mr. Wilder to approve the November 16, 2022 minutes, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
 - b. November 30, 2022: Motion made by Mr. Wilder, seconded by Mr. Pitonyak to approve the November 30, 2022 minutes, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
 - c. December 7, 2022: Motion made by Mr. Pitonyak, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve the December 7, 2022 minutes, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
8. **Delores Hale:** Hometown Heros Banner. Ms. Hale demonstrated the borough with banners from Cambridge Springs. Cambridge Springs was able to find 2FT X 4FT banners for \$46.50 a piece. The families sponsored the banners at \$50.00. Cambridge was able to raise money through donations to help cover the rest of the cost such as the brackets to hang the banners. Ms. Hale suggest to set a time limit on when the banners can be purchased so you can have everything done in a timely manner. Ms. Hale also suggested setting a limit on how many banners can be purchased. Mayor Johnson is going to set up a committee to help with handling this so we are able to bring the banners to Wesleyville.
9. **Frank Hall:** Offered his services to the mayor to get this started for Wesleyville. American Legion will pay for 48 brackets on Buffalo Road.
10. **Old Business:**
 - a. North Street Parking Lot Lights – No updates
 - b. Code issues with new HVAC system- Railing still needs installed. Finished

- c. 2052 Water, 2407 Eastern, 3207 Buffalo and house on Euclid- start getting updates on these homes.: No updates
- d. Borough Hall Usage: Tabled. Mr. Dyne to come up with a rental agreement
- e. Borough Wi-Fi- Mrs. Morrow: Mrs. Horanic has already contacted Jerry from JDL and this is currently being handled.

11. Executive Session: 7:00PM

12. Mr. Pitonyak and Mr. Wilder left at 7:00 PM

13. Reconvene: 7:27 PM

14. New Business:

- a. Erie Area Council Government 2023 Budget/ Resolution
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve the Erie Area Council 2023 Budget, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- b. Fee Schedule Needs signed/ ordinance
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve the Fee Schedule Ordinance, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- c. Borough Calendar – fixed some mistakes
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Alfieri to approved the Borough Calendar, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- d. Right to know officer
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Morrow to make Taylor Foley the Right to Know Officer, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- e. Delores Hale – Hometown Hero Banners
 - i. Motion made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Alfieri to have the Borough handle the financing and insurance for the Hometown Hero banners, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- f. Resolution for Center Street 2023 Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mrs. Morrow to sign the resolution for the 2023 Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement Project, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- g. District Judge Lease
 - i. Motion made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Alfieri to except the Lease for Mr. Robert Merski with the revisions made by the borough’s solicitor, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- h. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Morrow for the following employees to receive \$1.00 raise for the start of 2023: Taylor Foley, Kjerstin Horanic, Joe Ball, Shawn Hess, Gary Wenzel, Christopher Loucks and Lisa Wieczorek, unanimous voice vote, motion carries
- i. 2023 Budget
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Silbaugh, seconded by Mr. Petrini to advertise the 2023 proposed budget as is, unanimous voice vote, motion carries

15. Treasurer’s Report: Nothing to report

16. Borough Manager

17. Borough Council Department Chairs:

- a. Mr. Alfieri- Operation Gratitude has donated gift bags to the Fire department. Mr. Alfieri wanted to give the police department some gift bags on the behalf of Operation Gratitude.
- b. Mr. Pitonyak – Not in attendance

- c. Mr. Silbaugh – Wants to know what we are doing with the leftover ARP money. Mr. Petrini suggested that the Borough Manager, Mr. Dyne, should look around to see what is the best way would be to use the money.
- d. Mr. Wilder- not in attendance
- e. Mrs. Morrow- MPO is conducting a transportation study of the intersection of Buffalo Road and Station Road. MPO will watch the traffic flow in the summer time and also the winter time to get a good reading. Wesleyville has requested a live meeting be held when they present to the public. Also, Green Light Go grant is an 80/20 grant leaving the Borough responsible for 20% of the grant. After reaching out to the county, they have agreed to pay for 10% (half of our portion) if we receive the grant.
- f. Chief Buzanowski- Wesleyville Borough Police Department was awarded a grant in the amount \$113,600.00 from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. There are currently no details at this time.

18. Borough Officers:

- a. Mayor – Mr. Johnson
 - i. Wesleyville Community Day
 - ii. Buffalo Road Revitalization
 - iii. Lawrence Park Footbridge: Mr. Johnson has received an invite from Michael Ferritto to develop a collaborative strategy to identify and secure funding to replace the footbridge. This meeting is being held December 15, 2022 at 4:30 PM at 100 State Street. Mr. Johnson has invited all council members to join in on this meeting.
- b. Council President Mrs. Julius-. Nothing to report
- c. Council Vice President Mr. Petrini-. Nothing to report

19. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Morrow to advertise the tax ordinance for a 2 millage increase, unanimous voice vote, motion carries

20. Good of the Order:

- a. Next Budget Meeting December 21, 2022 6:00 PM, to be held at the Borough Hall
 - a. Meeting canceled.
- b. Next Work Session Meeting December 28, 6:00PM, to be held at the Borough Hall.
- c. Next Council Meeting January 11, 2022, 6:00PM, to be held at the Borough Hall.

Meeting Adjournment: 8:15 PM