



April 2024 Council Meeting
Wesleyville Borough, Erie County, Pennsylvania

*****Approved Meeting Minutes*****

Public Meeting Information

April 24th, 2024, at 6:00PM

In-Person – Borough Hall located at 3421 Buffalo Road, Erie, PA 16510.

Live Virtual Option - *Coming Soon*

Archive of Recordings - *Coming Soon*

- 1) **Call to Order** – By: Mrs. Julius, President
- 2) **Invocation** - By: Mrs. Julius, President
- 3) **Pledge of Allegiance** - By: Mrs. Julius, President
- 4) **Roll Call:** (Present) (Not Present)
 - a) Council President, Regina Julius; (Present)
 - b) Council Vice President, Fred Petrini; (Present)
 - c) Council President Pro Tem, Paul Bills (Present)
 - d) Councilperson, Steve Alfieri; (Not Present)
 - e) Councilperson, Jake Wilder; (Present)

- f) Councilperson, Sandy Morrow; (Present)
- g) Councilperson, Cassandra Kolesar; (Present)
- h) Mayor, E Paul Johnson;(Present)
- i) Tax Collector, Marlene Silbaugh (Not Present)
- j) Solicitor, Ed Betza (Not Present)
- k) Engineer, Mark Corey (Not Present)
- l) Police Chief, Robert Buzanowski (Not Present)
- m) Borough Manager/Secretary, Marcus Jacobs (Present)
- n) Public Works Supervisor, Joseph Ball (Not Present)

5) Citizens to address Council:

- a) Brandon Hoover- Was present to get an update on no parking ordinance at the end of Fremont.

6) Approve Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda of April 24, 2024, agenda made by Mr. Petrini and seconded by Mrs. Morrow. Unanimous voice vote.

7) Approve Minutes:

- a) A motion to approve the minutes from the April 10th, 2024, Council meeting made by Mr. Petrini and seconded by Mr. Bills. Unanimous voice vote.

8) Landbank Presentation- Christie Mahany- Came to answer questions that the council had about the landbank and properties in Wesleyville. Mr. Petrini had a question about a property, 2508 Station Rd. How can we find out who owns a property/ locating a owner? Mrs. Mahany said that we can help find someone as the current owner is deceased. The landbank needs to know what properties are flagged by Wesleyville to be able to help. Mrs. Julius asked if the house is to be demolished, could the owners/neighbors next door purchase the lot as just a lot and not build on it? Mrs. Mahany said that would be possible and in Wesleyville's hands. Mr. Johnson brought up the house, 2052 Water Street. Most properties are donated to the Landbank. 2434 Eastern Ave and 3207 Buffalo Road was also brought up in conversation. Mrs. Mahany will look into these 4 properties and get in contact with Marcus.

9) Old Business:

- a) (Tabled) A motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-005 - Amending Chapter 21 – Streets and Sidewalks, Part 6 Street Cuts, Section 21-607 Cash Deposit or Bond, (1) of the borough’s codified ordinances to revise the duration and amount of bonds.
 - i) *Adjusted the bond requirements for the street cuts to be \$3,000 rather than only \$1,000 and extended the window for liability to 24 months (about 2 years) rather than only 12 months.*
 - ii) *Advertised on 04/19/24 can be voted on by Council at the May 8th, 2024, Council Meeting.*
- b) (Tabled) A motion to adopt Ordinance 2024 - 006 - amending Chapter 15 – Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Part 4 General Parking Regulations of the Borough’s Codified Ordinances to add additional locations where parking is prohibited at all times.
 - i) *Advertised on 04/19/24 can be voted on by Council at the May 8th, 2024, Council Meeting.*
- c) (Tabled) Tobacco Use in Recreation Areas

10) New Business:

- a) A motion to purchase 3- 8ft folding tables for the Borough Hall from Sam’s Club for a total of \$299 was made by Mr. Wilder and seconded by Mr. Bills. Unanimous voice vote.
- b) A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024–007, which sets the required Police Pension Contributions in 2020, 2021, 2022 to 0% made by Mrs. Kolesar and seconded by Mr. Wilder. Unanimous voice vote.
 - i) This is necessary as per the Pension Auditor.
- c) **TABLED**-Approval for the purchase of the Hinkler Park bathroom from ____ for a total of blank.
 - i) Details about what this includes and next steps for the project.
- d) Motion to approve the signing of a support letter for the community garden mural grant made by Mrs. Kolesar and seconded by Mr. Wilder. Unanimous voice vote.
- e) (Tabled) A motion to approve moving the streetlight, located on the alleyway off Eastern Avenue between North Street and Buffalo Road, from Terry Etzel’s Penelec account to the Borough’s account.
 - i) *This service was added by Terry Etzel and has been included under his account since then. The dedicated meter number is 0800254549 0005015647.*

- ii) *This alleyway is not technically Borough-owned property, but it is right by the Borough's North Street parking lot in an area where patrons might walk around the block to Buffalo Road.*

11) Executive Session: No need

12) Borough Administration:

- a) Borough Manager – Marcus Jacobs
 - i) Bucket Truck- Joe and Gary will go late next week to check out both bucket trucks.
 - ii) Mr. Petrini asked if we had received a quote for the rest of Center Street between Fremont and Edison. We have not received a quote yet.
 - iii) Did get information from Insurance company about Morrison park- equipment all needs removed.
 - iv) The truck that hit the traffic light on Water and Buffalo- insurance was accepted and we will be paid for damages.
- b) Police Department – Chief Buzanowski
- c) Fire Department – Mrs. Julius updated that we have one new fireman with six more joining in May.
- d) Treasurer's Report - (*Council Meetings Only*)

13) Borough Boards & Commissions

- a) Planning Commission – Mr. Wilder- Talked with Mr. Betza about chicken ordinance, there is a way to word it without going through any planning commission.
 - i) Next meeting is on April 17th, at 5pm at the Borough Hall.
- b) Safety Committee – Mrs. Morrow- We did elect officers. Put together a form for hazards.
 - i) Next meeting is on May 15th at 1pm at the Borough Hall.

14) Council - Committee Reports:

- a) Public Works/Streets - Mr. Bills- Nothing to report.

- b) Sanitary and Storm Sewers - Mr. Wilder – Mrs. Julius asked if he had a chance to talk with Mr. Petrini to learn about Sanitary and storm sewers.
- c) Public Safety - Mr. Alfieri- Not present.
- d) Refuse and Recycling - Mrs. Kolesar- Mrs. Julius asked about the recycling of bottle caps she passed to Mrs. Kolesar. She will talk with schools and churches about this. Mr. Alfieri also sent her stuff about e-waste. She talked with Marcus about this, he talked to someone about a pay per pound collection. I have not heard any update.
- e) Community Engagement - Mrs. Morrow- National Night out, did get contact information from the boy scouts.

15) Council – Members:

- a) Councilmember – Mr. Alfieri
- b) Councilmember - Mr. Bills
- c) Councilmember – Mrs. Kolesar
- d) Councilmember – Mrs. Morrow
- e) Councilmember – Mr. Wilder

16) Council - Officers:

- a) Mayor – Mr. Johnson – May 6th is the next meeting for WCD. Hometown hero banners are all ordered.
- b) Council Vice President - Mr. Petrini - Elected officials are held to follow ordinances. Don't put our code enforcement officer in a hard place.
- c) Council President - Mrs. Julius – Ditto to what Mr. Petrini said. The Morrison family is talking about doing a BINGO fundraiser to help with the cost of the park. We will have restrooms in Hinkler by the end of the season.
- d) Marcus mentioned Joe met with a camera company to get a quote for parks.
- e) Discussion on the old restrooms located at Hinkler Park.

17) Good of the Order:

- a) Next Council Meeting is May 8th, 2024, 6PM in the Borough Hall.
- b) Next Work Session Meeting is on May 22nd 2024, 6PM, in the Borough Hall.

18) Meeting Adjournment:

- a) A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Petrini, passed unanimously.
Adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted to the public record of the Borough of Wesleyville after the meeting minutes were approved by the Borough Council at the public Council Meeting on the 8th day of May, 2024.



Marcus A Jacobs, Borough Manager/Secretary

Official Raised Seal of the Borough of Wesleyville

