

**February 2025 Council Meeting**

**Wesleyville Borough, Erie County, Pennsylvania**

*\*\*Draft Meeting Minutes\*\**

**Public Meeting Information**

February 12th, 2025, 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)
	1. Mayor, E Paul Johnson; Not Present
	2. Council President, Regina Julius; Present
	3. Council Vice President, Fred Petrini; Present
	4. Council President Pro Tem, Paul Bills Not Present
	5. Councilperson, Steve Alfieri; Not Present
	6. Councilperson, Jake Wilder; Present
	7. Councilperson, Sandy Morrow; Not Present
	8. Councilperson, Cassandra Kolesar; Present
	9. Tax Collector, Lisa Huff; Not Present
	10. Solicitor, Ed Betza; Present
	11. Engineer, Mark Corey; Not Present
	12. Police Chief, Robert Buzanowski; Present
	13. Borough Manager/Secretary, Marcus Jacobs; Present
	14. Public Works Supervisor, Joseph Ball Not Present
5. **Citizens to address Council:**
6. **Approve Agenda:**
	1. A motion to approve of the agenda for tonight’s meeting, February 12th, 2025, made by Mrs. Kolesar, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
7. **Approve Minutes:**
	1. A motion to approve the minutes from the January 22nd, 2025 Council Meeting, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Kolesar, passed unanimously.
8. **Top of Agenda – Reserved Time:**
9. **Borough Administration:**
	1. Borough Manager – Manager Jacobs
		1. In your packet is an Ethics statement that is required to be filled out. Please do so and return them to me ASAP.
	2. Police Department – Chief Buzanowski
		1. *The new cruisers are in service, and last Friday we had a photo op event at Rep. Merski’s office to commemorate.*
	3. Fire Department – Board member, Jeffrey Simpson
	4. Treasurer’s Report *(Council Meetings Only) -* Manager Jacobs
		1. Treasurer’s Report will be available for the next meeting.
	5. Engineer’s Report *(Council Meetings Only)*
	6. Solicitor’s Report *(Council Meetings Only)*
10. **Executive Session:** Anticipated
	1. Recessed:
		1. Borough Council recessed public session at for an executive session regarding personnel contract matters.
	2. Reconvened:
		1. Borough Council reconvened the public session at .
	3. Motions resulting from the Executive Session:
11. **Old Business:**
	1. Tabled until further research is completed – Ordinance to increase the Tax Collector’s wages, would be effective January 2026 when the newly elected Tax Collector is sworn in.
		1. Current Salary - $7,542
		2. Potential percentages - (**5%** - $377.10, **10%** - $754.20, **15%** - $1,131.30, **20%** - $1,508.40)
12. **New Business:**
	1. Motion to approve of the sale of the 2015 Ford Explorer at the Erie County auto auction, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Kolesar, passed unanimously.
		1. *The original motion included getting rid of the 2012 Tahoe as well, that was later amended after Manager Jacobs suggested that it might be useful to the Fire Department in the future so the Borough should hold onto it for now.*
	2. Motion to approve of the proposal from Heberlein & Falk, P.C. to complete the Borough’s 2024 annual audit, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
		1. *The Borough’s need for an audit was advertised in the paper, 3 proposals were ultimately received. From, Heberlein & Falk ($10,000), MaherDuessel ($16,000), McGill, Power, Bell & Associates ($22,000).*
	3. Motion to approve of extending an offer of employment to Carlos Cruz-Cooney for the position of Police Officer in the Wesleyville Police Department on condition of passing the background check, made by Mrs. Kolessar, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
	4. Motion to approve of transferring several computers and monitors to the Wesleyville Hose Company, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
		1. *We are upgrading all of ours due to a grant so we will not be needing these additional PCs.*
	5. Motion to approve the signing of the written approval for Manager Jacobs’ anticipated Erie County Council run, made by Mrs. Kolesar, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
	6. Discussion - Dumpster Ordinance.
		1. *The Council reviewed the one-pager outlining ordinance-specific options drafted by the Planning Commission after they researched other municipalities’ Dumpster Ordinances. The Planning Commission will now incorporate the Council's input into a final Ordinance Structure document and forward it to Solicitor Betza to draft an ordinance for potential passage.*
13. **Borough Boards & Commissions**
	1. Planning Commission – Manager Jacobs
		1. Next meeting is on February 19th at 5pm at the Borough Hall.
	2. Safety Committee – Mrs. Morrow
		1. Next meeting is on February 19th at 1pm at the Borough Hall.
14. **Council - Committee Reports:**
	1. Public Works/Streets - Mr. Petrini
	2. Sanitary and Storm Sewers - Mr. Wilder
	3. Public Safety - Mr. Alfieri
	4. Refuse and Recycling - Mrs. Kolesar
	5. Community Engagement - Mrs. Morrow
		1. *2025 WCD Budget provided in Council packet.*
15. **Council – Members:**
	1. Councilmember – Mr. Alfieri
	2. Councilmember - Mr. Bills
	3. Councilmember – Mrs. Kolesar
	4. Councilmember – Mrs. Morrow
	5. Councilmember – Mr. Wilder
16. **Council - Officers:**
	1. Mayor – Mr. Johnson
	2. Council Vice President - Mr. Petrini
	3. Council President - Mrs. Julius
17. **Good of the Order:**
	1. Next Work Session is on February 26th, 2025, 6PM in the Borough Hall.
	2. Next Council Meeting is on March 12th, 2025, 6PM in the Borough Hall.
18. **Meeting Adjournment:**
	1. A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mrs. Kolesar, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously. Adjourned at 6:49pm.

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 \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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Marcus A Jacobs, Borough Manager/Secretary Official Raised Seal of the Borough of Wesleyville